

086841 THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in the Commissioner Chambers at the Whitman County Courthouse, 400 N Main St., Colfax, Washington on Monday, May 15, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Michael Largent Chairman, Arthur D Swannack and Tom Handy, Commissioners and Corey Mitzimberg, Clerk of the Board attended.

**9:00 AM – Call to Order-Workshop**

Attendance:

- Remotely – Bailey Wiedmer, Brandy Dean, Bill Tensfeld, Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Juvenile Dept., Joshua Vincent, Kelli Campbell, Sarah Hardy, Suni Wood, Whitman County and 208-310-2160
- In Person – Craig Wines, Mark Storey and Sandy Jamison

086842 The following items were discussed with no action taken:

- Blake Ruling
- Elections Filing Week
- .09 Funds
- County Credit Cards

**9:15 AM – Recess**

**10:15 AM – Reconvene-Board Business**

Attendance:

- Remotely – Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Joshua Vincent, Kelli Campbell, Sarah hardy, Suni Wood and 1-208-310-2160.
- In Person – Alan Thomson, Mark Storey and Rachel Grandround

New/Old Business

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

There were no Public Comments.

Consent Agenda items approved.

086843	Treasures Wire Transfers & Check Report	\$ 4,286.51
086843	General Claims - numbered 366857-367012	\$ 459,861.13
086843	Veterans Relief Requisition(s)	\$ 1,027.02
086844	05/01/2023 Minutes	
086845-086849	Personal Change Orders Approved	

086850 5. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to open bids for County Legal Printing. No bids were received.

086851 6. The regular meeting was recessed and the hearing convened by the Chairman for adoption of the 2023 Shoreline Master Program.

County Planner Alan Thomson shared this update is due to the required periodic review.

There being no further comments the hearing was adjourned and the regular meeting reconvened.

086852 7. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to approve adopting the 2023 Shoreline Master Program Periodic Review revisions as presented.

086853 8. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to approve and sign the Almoda 3 project contracts between M.A. DeAtley Construction, Inc. and Whitman County Public Works.

Public Works Divisions

D086853 9. The following division updates were provided by Public Works Director Mark Storey, County Engineer Dean Cornelison and Maintenance Operations Manager Brian Wilson.

Maintenance

Crack sealing town and county roads started this morning (May 15) and should be completed in the next two days.

Solid Waste

The Solid Waste Scale Project is progressing and going well.

Engineering

M.A. DeAtley is requiring a road closure of eight weeks for the Almoda 3 Project starting May 3 and ending in July. The Board of County Commissioners will be presented with a request for Road Closure at the May 22 meeting from Flat Road to Klaus Road, allowing local traffic only.

Countywide Seal Coat started this morning (May 15) and is slated to be completed the first week of June, weather permitting.

086854 10. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to approve the purchase of three Lenovo Services, Installation and configuration from CompuNet, Inc. in the amount of \$39,955.89.

086855 11. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to ratify the signature of Bill Tensfeld for the purchase of property at Lot 2, Microwave Short Subdivision No.1 in Pullman, WA.

086856 12. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to authorize a notice of hearing for the proposed lease to Weis Towers, LLC.

086857 13. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to authorize a notice of meeting for the 2023 Budget Amendment 1.

086858 14. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion to approve the 2023 Public Facilities .09 funding as presented by the Blue Ribbon Advisory Task Committee. This item was tabled for further review.

086859 15. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion to adopt the updated Ordinance for Whitman County Code Section 1.08 adding the removal of 1.08.030. This item was tabled.

D086859A Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to amend the agenda for May 22, 2023 adding items 21A, to approve moving County credit cards to Umpqua Bank and 21B, a road closure.

16. Correspondence

086860 A letter was received from a Pullman resident alerting the Board of a Medicare Plan Notice she received that alluded to it being from Whitman County. The mailing was not from the County and is from Multiplan\_GoHealth.

086860 The Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board sent a notice of expiration date for a Pullman business.

17. Pending List was reviewed.

18. Approved Documents Signed.

**10:50 AM – Recessed**

**1:30 PM – Reconvene-Workshop**

086862 19. Mike Berney, Executive Director of Palouse River Counseling gave a report on the regular Executive Committee meetings held April 6, and May 5, 2023, of the Greater Columbia Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (GCBH-ASO).

- GCBH – ASO Issue: Fiscal and Administrative Updates
  - Warrants and vouchers were approved through the month of April
  - The ASO Financial Statements: Reviewed through April. Additional funding to be released into the provider network.
  - Outcome: Whitman County voted in favor of the motions to approve paying the warrants/vouchers. The votes were unanimous.
- GCBH – ASO Issues: State updates:
  - The new 988 Federal and State-wide behavioral health crisis number started July 16<sup>th</sup>.
    - Volunteers of America (VOA) are contracted to answer both 988 and GCBH crisis calls within the geographic area covered by Greater Columbia which includes Whitman County.
    - Palouse River Counseling switched to VOA on the December 1 target date for after-hours telephone answering services.
- GCBH – ASO Issues: ASO Updates
  - No compliance/complaint issues to report.
  - April: Authorized the Chair to sign:
    - New peer position at a housing program based in Yakima
    - PSA for GCBH-ASO attorney
    - Flexible Funding Policy for intensive child program pilot
  - Provider agency audits to start in May
  - Outcome: Whitman County voted in favor of allowing the Chair to sign the documents. The votes were unanimous.

086863 20. Board of Health meeting

Monday, May 22, 2023

THE BOARD OF WHITMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met in the Commissioner’s Chambers in the Whitman County Courthouse, Colfax, Washington on Monday, May 22, 2023 at 9:00 a.m. Michael Largent Chairman, Arthur D Swannack, Commissioner, Tom Handy, Commissioner and Corey Mitzimberg, Clerk of the Board attended

**9:00 AM – Reconvened-Board Business and-Workshop**

Attendance:

- Remotely – Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Joshua Vincent, Kelli Campbell, Sarah Hardy, Suni Wood and 1-208-310-2160.
- In Person – Alan Thomson, Mark Storey and Rachel Grandround

New/Old Business

D086863	21.	Consent Agenda items approved, signed.	
086864		Treasures Wire Transfers & Check Report	\$4,469,802.61
086864		General Claims - numbered 367015-367093	\$ 727,992.13
086864		Payroll Claims – numbered 366714-366719	\$ 575,288.01
086865-086871		Personal Change Orders	

086872 21A. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to approve the cardholder list with the submitted credit limits for the new County credit cards with Umpqua Bank.

086873 21B. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to temporarily close Almota Road Number 8000 to through traffic during construction activities from Upper Union Flat Road Mile post 6.92 to Mile Post 7.96 for an eight week period starting May 30 and ending August 1, 2023.

086874 21C. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to approve the Resolution for temporarily setting the maximum speed limit for all vehicles to no more than 35 miles per hour along Almota Road mile post 5.82 to mile post 7.96, the upper Union Flat Road mile post 0.00 to mile post 1.00 and Stevick Road mile post 0.00 to mile post 2.63 during construction of Almota Road.

Attendance:

- Remotely – Bailey Wiedmer, Chris Skidmore, Crystn Guenther, Jacy Leach, Jessica Jensema, Kelli Campbell, Sarah Hardy, Suni Wood and 208-310-2160
- In Person – Lynn Kimball, Karen Kinsley, Mark Storey and Sandy Jamison

086875 The following items were discussed with no action taken:

- ALTCEW Presentation
- ADA Project Phase One

11:00 Recess

**11:15 AM Reconvene**

Attendance:

- In Person – Bailey Wiedmer, Evon Jones and Mark Storey

086876 23. Commissioner Swannack moved, Commissioner Handy seconded the motion and carried to go into executive session until 12:15 PM to discuss Collective Bargaining negotiations.

**12:15 PM Recess**

Attendance:

- Remotely – Calvin Johnson, Sarah Hardy, Suni Wood, Jacy Leach
- In Person – Rich Wesson, Tom Kammerzell, Kara Riebold, Kristina Myer

086877 24. Whitman County Commissioner to Post of Whitman Commissioner meeting. The following items were discussed with no action taken:

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| • Snake River Family Festival | • Project Updates                     |
| • Grain Train Program Update  | • ADO Commerce Contract Status Update |
| • .09 Funds – Interlocal      |                                       |

**2:00 PM – Recess**

Monday, May 29, 2023 - All County Offices closed in observance of Memorial Day

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

Approve Consent Agenda items were signed, there was no workshop.

25. Approved Consent Agenda items signed.

086878	Treasures Wire Transfers & Check Report	\$6,406,476.73
086878	General Claims - numbered 367145-367273	\$ 170,928.00
086879-086886	Personal Change Orders	

**Adjourned**