

**MINUTES**

**BOARD OF BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

Regular Board Meeting  
Tuesday, March 12, 2019, 9:00 a.m.  
Commissioners' Conference Room  
Benton County Courthouse, Prosser, WA

**Present:** Chairman Shon Small  
Commissioner James Beaver  
Commissioner Jerome Delvin  
Alternate Clerk of the Board Marilu Flores

**Present in Kennewick via/videoconference (due to inclement weather):**  
County Administrator David Sparks  
Deputy County Administrator Loretta Smith Kelty  
Clerk of the Board Cami McKenzie

**Benton County Employees Present During All or a Portion of the Meeting:** County Engineer Matt Rasmussen; Assistant County Engineer Robert Blain; Clerk Josie Delvin; Jerrod MacPherson, Planning Manager and Clark Posey, Assistant Planning Manager.

**Approval of Minutes**

The Minutes of March 5, 2019 were approved.

**Consent Agenda**

**MOTION:** Commissioner Beaver moved to approve the consent agenda items “a” through “o”. Commissioner Delvin seconded and upon vote, the Board approved the following:

**Auditor**

- a. Surplus and Disposition of Personal Property
- b. Canvassing Board Appointment

**Board of Equalization**

- c. Copier Lease Agreement w/QBSI-Xerox

**Commissioners**

- d. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 115
- e. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 115 to 111

**District Court**

- f. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 111
- g. Copier Lease Agreement w/Pacific Office Automation for Probation Department

**Human Services**

- h. Agreement w/ARC of Tri-Cities for Coordination of Special Olympics

**Juvenile**

- i. Purchase of Bus Tickets and Passes From Ben Franklin Transit for Transportation Expenses

**Public Safety**

- j. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101 and 0148-101, Dept. 138

**Public Works**

- k. Contracts with Various Vendors to Supply Surfacing Materials for Projects
- l. Award of Contract to DeAtley Crushing Company for Crushing & Stockpiling
- m. Revised Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for Badger Mountain/Candy Mountain Connector Pathway
- n. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0101-101, Dept. 500

**Sheriff**

- o. Contract w/Bergstrom Aircraft, Inc. for Aircraft Maintenance, Repairs, Fuel and Hanger Rental

**Public Comment**

I-1639

Lisa Thomas, Richland, presented a proposed ordinance amendment regarding Initiative 1639 to allow Benton County to hold a special election to approve the enactment of any new state law affecting the constitutional rights of the citizens of Benton County. She spoke in opposition to I-1639.

Radona Devereaux, Kennewick, said she was strongly opposed to I-1639 and encouraged the Board to approve the proposed amendment.

Lori Chipman, Kennewick, said she agreed with the statements made by the others and was opposed to I-1639 because it was an infringement of their rights. She asked the Board to adopt the ordinance to protect the residents of Benton County.

Commissioner Small said he was also opposed to I-1639 and stated the Board had discussed adopting a Resolution, but not sure if it would help. However, he supported the Sheriff in his actions.

Commissioner Delvin indicated he did not have a problem signing a resolution in support of the second amendment, although the Sheriff had not asked for a resolution. He said they could give the Ordinance to the attorneys for their review but not sure how an ordinance going against State Law would help.

Commissioner Beaver said he shared everyone's sentiments and was in support of a Resolution letting the State know they did not agree.

## **Scheduled Business**

### **Tri-City Development Council Briefing**

Carl Adrian (via/videoconference) gave a Powerpoint presentation updating the Board as follows:

- Work Plan/Annual Report
- Mission – Job Creation & Capital Investment
- Economic Development – Major Focus
  - Business Recruitment
  - Business Retention & Expansion
  - Federal Programs
  - Community Initiatives & Programs
  - Communications

### **Prosser Economic Development Association Quarterly Update**

Deb Heintz gave the Board an update on PEDDA activities as follows:

- Work Plan
- Career Fair
- Water/Sewer Extension
- SR 221 Safety
- Shopko Closure – anticipated the building will be filled relatively soon
- Leadership Program
- Food production pathway – high school offering internships
- Boot Camp – offered to high school or young adults
- Promoting agricultural jobs as a career
- Annual Meeting – April 17, 2019
- Cascade Natural Gas – locating utility infrastructure across the highway to the new hospital site

### **Transfer of Funds – District Court Administrator Trainee**

Jacki Lahtinen and Judge Terry Tanner (via/videoconference) presented a line item transfer to move money to a trainee line item starting April 1, 2019 to have the opportunity to train for one month while the current administrator was still here.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Delvin moved to approve the resolution approving the transfer of funds in Current Expense Fund 0000-101, Dept. 111 in the amount of \$6,500.00. Commissioner Beaver seconded and upon vote, the motion carried.

### **Rural County Capital Fund Quarterly Update and Requests**

Adam Fyall gave a brief quarterly update on the Rural County Capital Fund and presented three disbursement agreements for the following projects:

- City of Kennewick/Port of Kennewick – Clover Island Shoreline Transformation - \$1,000,000
- City of Richland – Swift Corridor #2 - \$350,000
- City of Prosser – Interstate 82 Utility Undercrossing - \$340,856

**MOTION:** Commissioner Delvin moved to approve the disbursement agreements as presented with the City of Kennewick and Port of Kennewick for the Shoreline Transformation Project at Clover Island, the City of Richland for the Swift Corridor Project #2, and the City of Prosser for the I-82 Utility Undercrossing. Commissioner Beaver seconded and upon vote, the motion carried.

### **Other Business**

#### Olympia

Commissioner Delvin said he would be travelling to Olympia on Wednesday for the Legislative Steering Committee meeting.

#### NACo Conference

Commissioner Delvin reported on his attendance at the NACo conference on Washington, D.C. Specifically, he said he attended several seminars on DDJ (Data Driven Justice) and was impressed with what he heard from the three pilot projects around the country. He said it was a way to be proactive in identifying clients or “frequent flyers” in the system and helping them get in the right programs for mental health and substance abuse.

He said the consultant would be coming to King County and wanted to know if the Board was interested in a presentation.

The Board agreed it might be a good idea and he could pursue the matter further.

### **Payroll**

Check Date: 03/05/2019

#### Payroll Checks

Warrant #: 241725-241764

Direct Deposit #: 141491-142082

Total all funds: \$2,266,912.68

#### Payroll Deductions/Transfers

Taxes #: 101190301-101190311

ACH #: 602-608

Total all funds: \$2,198,538.05

Payroll Deductions/Warrants  
Warrant #: 188270-188278  
Total all funds: \$132,425.09

Total amounts approved by fund can be reviewed in the Benton County Auditor's Office.

**Resolutions**

- 2019-203: Surplus and Disposition of Personal Property
- 2019-204: Copier Lease Agreement w/QBSI-Xerox
- 2019-205: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 115
- 2019-206: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 115 to 111
- 2019-207: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 111
- 2019-208: Copier Lease Agreement w/Pacific Office Automation for Probation Department
- 2019-209: Agreement w/ARC of Tri-Cities for Coordination of Special Olympics
- 2019-210: Purchase of Bus Tickets and Passes From Ben Franklin Transit for Transportation
- 2019-211: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101 and 0148-101, Dept. 138
- 2019-212: Contracts with Various Vendors to Supply Surfacing Materials for Projects
- 2019-213: Award of Contract to DeAtley Crushing Company for Crushing & Stockpiling
- 2019-214: Revised Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for Badger Mountain/Candy Mountain Connector Pathway
- 2019-215: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0101-101, Dept. 500
- 2019-216: Contract w/Bergstrom Aircraft, Inc. for Aircraft Maintenance, Repairs, Fuel and Hanger Rental
- 2019-217: Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 111
- 2019-218: Rural County Capital Fund - Disbursement Agreement with The City of Kennewick and The Port of Kennewick for The Clover Island Shoreline Transformation Project
- 2019-219: Rural County Capital Fund - Disbursement Agreement with City of Richland for the Swift Corridor Improvements - Phase Two Project
- 2019-220: Rural County Capital Fund - Disbursement Agreement with City of Prosser for the Interstate 82 Utility Crossing - Phase One Project

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:15 a.m.

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Clerk of the Board

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Chairman