

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

**Adams County Courthouse
Ritzville, Washington
Regular Meeting**

August 12, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.
(Tuesday)

Call to Order

Chairman Garza called the meeting to order.

Present:

Chairman Miguel A. Garza
Vice-Chairman Jay R. Weise
Commissioner Dan C. Blankenship

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Garza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comment – None

Board Updates

Commissioner Garza reported attending a law and justice meeting, noting Sheriff Wagner provided an update on the jail remodel process; and, updates on staffing were provided by Othello and Ritzville police chiefs in their respective departments. Additionally, vouchers and auditor expense reports were reviewed.

Commissioner Blankenship reported on Broadband project activities.

Commissioner Weise reported reviewing budgets and county policy. Additionally, Weise reported visiting with Planning Commission member Bob Carlson regarding the adoption of the Title 17 Zoning ordinance, among other things.

Approval/Addition of Agenda

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Weise seconded, to *approve the agenda as presented*. **Motion carried.**

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Weise moved, Blankenship seconded, to *approve the consent agenda as presented*. **Motion carried.**

Minutes

Approve Preliminary Minutes of July 22 and 23, 2025

Payroll

Approve July 16 - 31, 2025 Payroll in the amount of \$613,257.35; and, Benefits in the amount of \$300,552.26 (Warrant # Series 533330-533331; Direct Deposit # Series 86417-86618; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1184892-1184902)

Vouchers

Approve Vouchers audited and certified by the Adams County Auditor as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090 and recorded on a listing, which was made available to the Board. These vouchers were listed as follows:

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Number of Vouchers</u>	<u>Amount</u>
001	47	\$ 44,623.85
103	1	\$ 533.65
104	16	\$ 66,011.53
106	3	\$ 749.66
122	1	\$ 36.00
166	10	\$ 14,683.82
502	6	\$ 9,816.67
108	1173 – 1175	\$ 676.28
115	1176 – 1186	\$ 44,574.27
401	1187 – 1192	\$ 4,314.27
501	1193 – 1199	\$ 15,343.26
590	1200 – 1213	\$ 39,546.64
	TOTAL	\$240,909.90

Interagency Agreement Between Washington Administrative Office of the Courts AOC2511 and Adams County for Blake

Approve, via DocuSign, Interagency Agreement between Washington Administrative Office of the Courts AOC2511 and Adams County for Blake, for the purpose of reimbursement of extraordinary costs of resentencing and vacating sentences, as required by *State v. Blake* ("Blake"), to Court.

Correspondence – None

Board Discussion/Decision Items

Human Resources

Human Resource Manager Campbell was unavailable for her scheduled appointment.

Public Works

Public Works Director O'Brien reported on gravel road maintenance; fog seal activity; and, pre-level activity. Additionally, O'Brien reported all locks on the colocation building are in place; NoaNet is placing equipment in the building.

Engineer Yaeger provided updates on Schoonover Road, noting the project has started; and, Rodeo Lake, noting the department is preparing materials for the ultimate repair at the north end. Additional updates were provided on the Sackman Road bridge project; Gottlieb-Hille bridge project; and, High Volume Corridor project.

Other Business – None

Permanent Minutes Signed

July 15 and 16, 2025

Executive Session

At 11:20 a.m. Chairman Garza announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for fifteen (15) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – “To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation...”. No action is anticipated. Prosecutor Flyckt was present.

At 11:35 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action was taken.

Adjournment @ 11:35 a.m.

Submitted:
s/Patricia J. Phillips, CMC
Clerk of the Board

Edited and Approved:

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
s/Miguel A. Garza, Chairman
s/Jay R. Weise, Vice-Chairman
s/Dan C. Blankenship, Commissioner