

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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

December 17, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.
(Wednesday)

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.

Approval/Addition of Agenda

Commissioner Garza moved, Weise seconded, to *approve the agenda with the following addition:*

- *Approve Resolution No. R-051-2025 In the Matter of Amending the 2025 Adams County Budget.*

Motion carried.

Amend 2025 Budget

Commissioner Blankenship moved, Weise seconded, to *approve Resolution No. R-051-2025 In the Matter of Amending the 2025 Adams County Budget.* **Motion carried.**

Executive Session – Employee Evaluation

At 9:15 a.m. Chairman Garza announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for thirty (30) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – "...to review the performance of a public employee. Integrated Health Care Services Director Guse was present. Human Resource Manager Campbell joined the session at 9:20 a.m.

At 9:45 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session.

Executive Session – Employee Evaluation

At 9:45 a.m. Chairman Garza announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for ten (10) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “...to review the performance of a public employee. Integrated Health Care Services Director Guse and Human Resource Manager Campbell were present.

At 9:55 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session.

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At 10:05 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session.

Capitol Path Consulting, LLC

Daniel Pailthorp appeared virtually, reporting the state budget will most likely be released within the week; and, WSDOT funding will be very challenging due to the flooding in the state recently.

John Culton introduced Andrew Rolfs. Mr. Rolfs is serving Congressman Baumgartner’s office as the director of outreach

John Culton reviewed Adams County’s need for grants. Funding was lost in the past due to a continuing resolution being passed when President Trump took office in 2025. Schoonover Road continues to be a priority for funding.

Adjournment @ 12:46 p.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

RESOLUTION NO. R-051-2025

**ORDER OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ADAMS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDING THE 2025 ADAMS COUNTY BUDGET

WHEREAS, unanticipated expenses have necessitated the need for an amendment to the Adams County 2025 Budget; and,

WHEREAS, the public was legally notified of the hearing regarding the matter on December 3 and December 10, 2025; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, and all comments were heard and considered.

THEREFORE BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the 2025 Adams County Budget is amended as follows:

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Change</u>	<u>Revised</u>
<u>Current Expense - #001</u>			
Police Operations #065			
Personnel	\$3,414,823	\$ 55,000	
Other Services/Charges		\$ 45,000	\$3,514,823
Auditor #023	\$ 877,802		
Personnel		\$ 20,000	\$ 897,802
Treasurer #030	\$ 438,429		
Personnel		\$ 15,000	\$ 453,429
Coroner #090	\$ 150,000		
Other Services/Charges		\$ 25,000	\$ 175,000
Non Departmental #099	\$1,756,655		
Other Services/Charges		\$ 65,000	\$1,821,655
CURRENT EXPENSE TOTAL		\$225,000	

Other Funds

Emergency Services #106	\$ 173,278		
Other Services/Charges		\$ 41,408	\$ 214,686
Distressed Counties #122	\$ 256,400		
Other Services/Charges		\$ 50,000	\$ 306,400
RSO #131	\$ 65,530		
Other Services/Charges		\$ 10,000	\$ 75,630
Broadband Operations #401	\$ 0		
Capital Outlay		\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS		\$ 111,408	
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSE		\$ 225,000	
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS		\$ 111,408	
TOTAL AMENDMENTS ALL FUNDS		\$ 336,408	

DATED this 17th day of December, 2025.

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

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