

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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

May 27, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.
(Wednesday)

Call to Order

Chairman Blankenship called the meeting to order.

Present:

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Chairman Blankenship led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval/Addition of Agenda

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

Board Workshop

911 Dispatch Services

Sheriff Wagner and Commissioner Weise provided an update on the meeting held last week with Othello entities utilizing Adams County dispatch services. Commissioner Weise noted he is continuing to review the matter and working on a formula for the two different parts of the service.

Sheriff's Office Surplus Property

Sheriff Wagner reported his office has acquired and deployed upgraded Taser 10 systems for field use. The Taser 10 systems have replaced Taser 7 devices that are no longer supported by Axon Enterprise. As such, the tasers are of no operational value to the sheriff's office. Sheriff Wagner would like to transfer possession of the Taser 7 devices to Garfield County.

Prosecutor Flyckt requested additional time to review state statutes on the surplus and transfer of possession of county property prior to advising the Board on this matter. No action was taken.

Interlocal Agreement for Jail Services

Commissioner Weise moved, Garza seconded, to *approve Agreement between Ferry County, Washington and Adams County, Washington, for Housing Inmates in the Ferry County Correctional Facility for a term of one year, beginning March 3, 2026, and renewing automatically of one-year periods at a daily rate of compensation, per inmate, of \$86.00.* **Motion carried unanimously.**

Sales and Use Tax for Public Facilities in Rural Counties

The Port of Othello has requested \$500,000.00 from county .09 funds to provide assistance in funding for their water tower project. The Board reviewed proper uses of expenditures of monies collected under RCW 82.14.370. Further research of current county policies and potential amendments is necessary as the current limit on funds is \$50,000.00 per approved project. No action was taken.

Correspondence Sent

Washington Department of Commerce re: Letter of Support of the Opportunity Zone 2.0 Applications for Ritzville census tract and East Othello/Bruce census tract in Adams County, Washington

Executive Session

At 10:32 a.m. Chairman Blankenship announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for fifteen (15) minutes under RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) – “To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment or to review the performance of a public employee...”. Human Resource Manager Campbell was present. Mr. Flyckt arrived at 10:42 a.m. No action is anticipated.

At 10:47 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

Adjournment @ 10:48 a.m.

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

Edited and Approved:

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