

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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

June 9, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.
(Tuesday)

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.

Public Comment – None

Approval/Addition of Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

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

Minutes

Approve May 19 and 20, 2026 Preliminary Minutes

Payroll

Approve May 16-31, 2026 Payroll in the amount of \$579,758.01; and, Benefits in the amount of \$297,519.92 (Direct Deposit # Series 90233-90428; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1185093-1185102)

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>Amount</u>
001	\$ 34,498.69
103	\$ 1,348.04
103A	\$ 696.92
104	\$ 52,055.89
106	\$ 1,766.79
112	\$ 4,640.17
122	\$ 45.00
123	\$ 266.34
131	\$ 5,877.83
166	\$ 2,802.73
502	\$ 16,382.69
108	\$ 1,980.93
115	\$ 78,373.71
401	\$ 12,290.04
402	\$ 495.81
501	\$ 12,750.84
590	\$ 28,903.08
TOTAL	\$255,175.50

Board Updates

Commissioner Garza reported no activity.

Commissioner Blankenship reported having a productive meeting with WSDOT regarding bridges; catching up on emails and reviewing vouchers.

Commissioner Weise reported on researching dispatch positions and the number necessary in a jurisdiction.

Correspondence

Washington State Liquor and Cannabis Board re: Notice of Cannabis License Application (*Liang Hong Industrial LLC – Assumption of a License*)

Office of Financial Management re: preliminary April 1, 2026 population estimates

Board Discussion/Decision Items

Human Resources

Manager Campbell reported reviewing county job descriptions. Additionally, an update was provided on applications received for the Clerk of the Board position.

Public Works

Director Reynolds and Engineer Yaeger provided the weekly update on maintenance, noting crews are finishing up with mag lig; every district is spraying and, the Ritzville district is brooming. Additional updates were provided on facilities and Broadband.

Engineering

The Herman Road Safety project bid opening is scheduled for tomorrow; the High Volume Corridors Intersections project bid opening is scheduled for July 7th. Rodeo Lake had some blockage on the south lake structure and was removed. Additional updates were provided on the Danekas Road #4 Overlay project and the Sackman Road bridge project.

Equipment

Engineer Yaeger reported the 2019 leases on the first round of graders will expire in June. Engineer Yaeger has been working with Pape and will present more information as it becomes available.

Fuel Surcharge and Rental Rate

Engineer Yaeger reviewed modified rates to include a fuel surcharge with the increase in cost per gallon for fuel.

High Volume Corridors Intersection Project (CRP-204)

Based on the recommendation of the Public Works Department, Commissioner Garza moved, Weise seconded, to *authorize the Chairman sign Consultant Supplemental Agreement No. 1, with Ardurra Group, Inc., Wenatchee, Washington, for construction engineering consulting for the High Volume Corridors Intersection Project, CRP-204, for a new maximum amount payable of \$142,417.66.* **Motion carried unanimously.**

WSU Interagency Agreement

Commissioner Garza moved, Weise seconded, to *authorize the Chairman sign Interagency Agreement between Washington State University Extension and Adams County; and, Memorandum of Agreement, Appendix A, between Washington State University Extension and Adams*

County, authorizing funding in the amount of \$203,157.00 to provide an extension program, for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Motion carried unanimously.

Permanent Minutes Signed

April 28 and 29, 2026

May 5 and 6, 2026

Other Business – None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment @ 10:56 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