

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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

July 14, 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 Weise moved, Garza seconded, to *approve the consent agenda as presented*. **Motion carried.**

Payroll

Approve June 16-30, 2026 Payroll in the amount of \$607,543.30; and, Benefits in the amount of \$300,233.19 (Direct Deposit # Series 90628-90824; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1185112-1185122)

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	\$130,781.26
104	\$ 49,910.01
105	\$111,798.45
105A	\$ 24,769.14
106	\$ 3,259.93
112	\$ 8,800.23
114	\$ 262.00
116	\$ 1,069.50
122	\$ 43,795.00
131	\$ 4,750.00
166	\$ 2,487.69
323A	\$ 337.75
108	\$ 2,688.34
115	\$ 43,204.58
401	\$ 18,670.58
501	\$ 18,364.07
590	\$ 84,517.63
TOTAL	\$549,466.16

Resolution No. R-029-2026

Approve Resolution No. R-029-2026 In the Matter of Adopting the Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force Bylaws

Board Updates

Commissioner Garza reported attending the Aging and Adult Care meeting in Wenatchee last Thursday, sharing a letter disbursed during that meeting from OFM. Additionally, Garza reported perusing vouchers yesterday.

Commissioner Blankenship reported spending time in the office last week going over Broadband materials. Additionally, Blankenship reported on the substance of a conversation with lobbyist John Culton yesterday.

Commissioner Weise reported on collective bargaining sessions, noting an update will be held tomorrow in closed session.

Correspondence – None

Board Discussion/Decision Items

Human Resources

Manager Campbell reviewed a worker adjustment and retraining notification (WARN) layoff and closure report for businesses located in Washington State. Local area unemployment statistics were reviewed.

Executive Session

At 9:45 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. No action is anticipated.

At 10:00 a.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action taken.

Public Works

Director Reynolds and Engineer Yaeger provided the weekly update on seal coat operations; solid waste, and facilities.

The Gottlieb-Hille bridge project commenced last week; the Herman Road Safety project pre-construction meeting was held last Thursday, noting the contractor will begin grinding pavement today. The bid opening for the Sackman Road bridge project is scheduled for next week; and, paperwork is being finalized on the Danekas Road Overlay #4 project

A beaver dam was responsible for Rodeo Lake’s diminished flow. Crews cleaned out the area and will be checking on the flow again today.

High Volume Corridors Intersections Project (CRP-204)

Based on the recommendation of the Public Works Department, Commissioner Weise moved, Garza seconded, to *award the High Volume Corridors Intersections Project – CRP-204, to Specialized Pavement Marking, LLC, Pacific, Washington, as the lowest responsible bidder in the amount of \$399,901.00, and approve the chairman sign the Concurrence to Award. Motion carried unanimously.* The bid is 82% of the Engineer’s Estimate of \$487,851.00.

Other Business – None

Executive Session – None

Adjournment @ 10:47 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

RESOLUTION NO. R-029-2026

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

**IN THE MATTER OF ADOPTING THE ADAMS COUNTY HOMELESS HOUSING
TASK FORCE BYLAWS**

WHEREAS, Washington State RCW 43.185C.160 authorizes counties to establish a local homeless housing task force to develop and recommend strategies addressing homelessness and affordable housing needs within their communities; and

WHEREAS, the Adams County Board of County Commissioners established the Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force pursuant to Resolution No. R-045-2025; and

WHEREAS, the Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force serves as a forum for collaboration among local governments, service providers, stakeholders, and community members to identify housing needs and develop recommendations to address homelessness within Adams County; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners finds that the adoption of bylaws is necessary to establish a consistent framework for the organization, membership, governance, meetings, and operation of the Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force; and

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners has reviewed the proposed Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force Bylaws and finds that adoption of the bylaws is in the best interest of Adams County and will promote the effective administration of the task force.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Adams County Homeless Housing Task Force Bylaws are hereby adopted and become effective immediately upon adoption.

DATED this 14th day of July, 2026.

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

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

Approved as to form:

s/Randy J. Flyckt
Adams County Prosecuting Attorney
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