

COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

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

May 27, 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

Commissioners Garza; Blankenship; and, Weise reported on various county matters.

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 May 13 and 14, 2025

Payroll

Approve May 1 - 15, 2025 Payroll in the amount of \$592,867.15; and, Benefits in the amount of \$110,838.32 (Warrant # Series 533307-533309; Direct Deposit # Series 85427-85620; Benefit/Deduction # Series 1183929-1183937)

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	41	\$148,876.42
103	3	\$ 1,483.26
103A	1	\$ 127.10
112	1	\$ 28.89
108	778 – 779	\$ 3,696.43
115	780 – 790	\$262,212.70
321	791	\$ 1,066.50
401	792 – 796	\$ 26,926.75
501	797 – 802	\$ 7,531.45
590	803 – 815	\$100,633.34
	TOTAL	\$552,582.84

Correspondence – None**Board Discussion/Decision Items****Port of Othello**

The Port of Othello cancelled their scheduled appointment.

Public Works

Director O'Brien and Engineer Yaeger provided updates on the following:

Road Maintenance – mag lig is complete in the Ritzville area and will now move to Lind. Othello will finish up and proceed to Lind also. Gravel road maintenance is on-going.

Solid Waste – a report was provided on cardboard recycling; a secure load litter campaign will begin next week.

Facilities – staff is working on minor projects, fairgrounds maintenance, and miscellaneous electrical projects.

Broadband – a BNSF permit for the City of Ritzville has been received and forwarded to the contractor. Punch list items are being reviewed. Draft documents for service providers will be forwarded for review

Lind-Hatton Road #3 Project – top course is being hauled with paving planned for intersections next week. The road is expected to be re-opened by the end of June.

Rodeo Lake – a septic company was clearing the south outlet Thursday. The grate system was reinforced at the box that flows out of the south lake. There were no changes to the north lake from last week.

Finance Committee

The finance committee was called to order. Present in addition to Treasurer Meise were Auditor Hunt; Commissioner Chairman Garza; Vice-Chairman Weise; Commissioner Blankenship; and, Prosecutor Flyckt.

Auditor Hunt reviewed the Annual Report for year-end December 31, 2024.

Treasurer Meise reported on tax collections, noting 57% of property taxes have been collected to date; and, county investment activity, providing a schedule of current investments.

Additionally, Meise noted that the remaining budgeted current expense revenue to be collected as of May 12, 2025, is \$8,120,121 with \$10,673,299 remaining in 2025 budgeted expenditures.

The finance committee adjourned at 11:54 a.m.

Other Business – None

Permanent Minutes Signed

May 6 and 7, 2025

Executive Session – None

Adjournment @ 12:03 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