

MINUTES

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 6, 2001

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, August 6, 2001, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Dan Wood and Dennis Morrisette, were present. Sandi Daniels, Clerk of the Board was excused. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: Minutes from the July 30, 2001, 2:00 p.m. meeting and the July 30, 2001, 6:00 p.m. Board of County Commissioners meeting were approved.

BIDS:

HEARINGS:

Amendments to Six-Year Road Improvements Program: There was a public hearing to consider the adoption of a resolution amending the Six-Year Transportation Improvements Programs for the period of 2001-2006 and 2002-2007. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Paul Easter, Director, Department of Public Services for Grays Harbor County, provided a staff report. Mr. Easter explained the purpose of the amendment is to change the category that the Hill Road Reconstruction and the Cougar Smith Road Satsop River Bridge Projects are under in the current six-year improvement program. The status of the two projects has changed and they were reclassified from a project pending funding to one that has been funded. The Hill Road Reconstruction is a program that will begin with preliminary engineering costs being fronted by the state in the amount of \$150,000 and the Cougar Smith Road Satsop River Bridge Program to design funds in the amount of \$240,000. The request is to update the program with the amendment showing that the projects have been funded. Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 01-88 – Resolution Amending the 2001-2006 Transportation Improvement Program And the 2002-2007 Transportation Improvement Program.

PRESENTATION:

2001 Grays Harbor County Fair Dedication Resolution: The Deputy Clerk of the Board read a proposed resolution recognizing Phyllis Piercey for extraordinary volunteer service and many years of outstanding service in support of the citizens of Grays Harbor County. Phyllis Piercey has been a long-term volunteer for a variety of organizations, including the Grays Harbor County Fair. The Board of County Commissioners for Grays Harbor County, State of Washington, on behalf of all of the citizens of Grays Harbor

County and in recognition of outstanding service, dedicated the 2001 Grays Harbor County Fair to Phyllis Piercey. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 01-87 – 2001 Grays Harbor County Fair Dedication.

PUBLIC COMMENT I:

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison, resident of Elma, commented regarding the PDA project and the audit being conducted by the State Auditor's Office. He expressed concern with PDA staff being away during the state audit process. Mr. Hutchison asked questions regarding SafeHarbor negotiating with the PDA for a third lease on Building #2. He commented regarding PDA revenue from Duke Energy. Mr. Hutchison commended that Pam Richards was always able to provide specific answers to financial questions and was able to provide financial information upon request. Stan Blunt, Aberdeen resident, commended the Vidette for their investigative reporting. He commented on Tami Garrow's response regarding the financial status of the PDA. Commissioner Morrisette asked what the Board of Commissioners is being requested to do. Mr. Hutchison suggested the four board members be voted in rather than appointed. He recommended removing the four appointed board members and placing the positions on the September or November ballot. Chairman Beerbower explained if the board positions are elected that would make the PDA a taxing entity and that was not the intent. There being no additional public comment, Public Comment I was closed.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

Request Approval, Wishkah Road Reconstruction Project: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Rural Arterial Program (RAP) Project Agreement requesting \$225,000 of State Funds. The Project Agreement is for the Wishkah Road Reconstruction Project M.P. 4.15 to M.P. 4.37.

Request Approval, CRP Resolution, Artic Road: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve CRP Resolution C-61060-05. The County Road Project is for Artic Road M.P. 0.30 to M.P. 0.44 to be preleveled and overlaid with 0.17 ft. of compacted depth of asphalt concrete pavement.

Request Approval, Aberdeen Waterline Project, Quit Claim Deed: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a quit claim deed to purchase the interest of Daniels Cedar Products, Inc. in their old mill site at the corner of Hagara and Daniels Streets in Junction City. The property is needed to complete county ownership of the old railroad right-of-way in to Junction City. The purchase price of \$6,000 is based upon county assessed value. The Solid Waste Fund will purchase the property as it already has

acquired the balance of the right-of-way for use as the utility corridor to serve the old landfill in Central Park.

Request Approval of Contracts w/Rognlins, Courthouse Repair: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a no cost change order to consolidate the budget for the Courthouse Repair Project. To expedite the repair of the Courthouse, the work commenced under three contracts with Rognlin's Inc. This change order provides for closing out of two contracts and transferring the unused budget into the third and final contract. The total contracted amount is unchanged, and the project remains within the construction budget. The total budget for the three contracts with Rognlin's Inc. is \$7,285,775. This budget consolidation will assist in project closeout.

Request Approval, Wynooche-Wishkah Road, Emergency Slide Repair: Phinney Fish Consulting Services has submitted a bid of \$300 to complete the Environmental Classification Summary for the Wynooche-Wishkah Road Emergency Slide Repair M.P. 2.5. This bid supplements the contract executed on June 19, 2000. This additional work was not anticipated under the original contract and environmental procedures have changed during the last year. The Department of Public Services recommended hiring the Phinney Fish Consulting Services. A motion was made, seconded and passed to hire the Phinney Fish Consulting Services to complete the Environmental Classification Summary for the Wynooche-Wishkah Road Emergency Slide Repair M.P. 2.5.

Request Schedule Bid Opening Date, Pearsall Bldg. Window Repair Project: August 27, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for bid opening for the Pearsall Building Window Replacement Project. Paul Easter reported that since they received no bids at the first bid opening on July 23, 2001, they are requesting a second bid opening date. This Call of Bids will be published in the Daily World, The Olympian and The News Tribune.

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MANAGEMENT SERVICES

Request Set Hearing Date, Supplemental Appropriation: August 20, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing for a Supplemental Budget request for \$4,268 in the General Fund Juvenile Department due to state funds received for the Juvenile Sex Offender Program. Funding will be used in salaries, benefits and Professional Services.

AUDITOR

Request Approval, Payroll & Payables for July: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Payroll and Payable for the month of July 2001. Total Claims -- \$5,233,503.58. Total Salary -- \$1,790,140.86. Total Expenditures for the Month of July -- \$7,023,644.44

FAIR

Request Authorization to Accept Proposal for Services: The Fairgrounds Equine Committee is proceeding with plans to raise funds for covering the Outdoor Arena. The committee is currently working on Phase I, which will provide a covering for the area just to the east of the Pavilion Arena. The Equine Committee held a successful fund raising event in April, raising over \$2500.00. Two additional fund raising events are planned for August. The committee has received a proposal from MCM Co. & Associates of Ocean Shores, WA in the amount of \$750.00 to provide the engineering services necessary to obtain building permit and full cost estimate of the structure. As the committee desires to have these plans prior to the county fair and time is of the essence, Tom Gwin, Fairgrounds Manager recommended this contract be accepted. The goal of the committee is to have the blueprint drawing in hand prior to the annual county fair and to use the county fair as a method of gaining support for this project. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the contract for Engineering Services pending review and verification.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Request Approval, Funding Proposal to State Health Department: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a funding proposal that the Department is submitting to the State Health Department. This proposal is requesting \$105,000 for a 21-month period beginning in October. The Department is proposing to implement a community based youth development program for girls aged 9 through 18 years of age with the intention of reducing the risk of teen pregnancy for girls involved in the program. If the proposal is successful the Department will hire an additional health educator to operate the program. The Department takes seriously the challenge of reducing unintended pregnancies in Grays Harbor County and are gratified to have the opportunity to plan for proactive strategies.

Request Approval, Program Agreement w/DSHS for Mental Health Services: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a program Agreement with DSHS for Mental Health Services. This program agreement is effective August 16, 2001 through June 30, 2003. Total Mental Health funding for the biennium will be approximately \$11

million of which \$171,000 is Federal Block Grant. The contract reflects the first two years of a six-year phase in to equitably distribute mental health funding throughout Washington State. Grays Harbor County will gain a little over \$1 million over the two-year period. Under this contract the County is responsible to provide medically necessary outpatient and psychiatric hospital services for Medicaid recipients as well as 24-hour mental health crisis response services for the County as a whole.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None

APPOINTMENTS:

None

PUBLIC COMMENT II:

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison, resident of Elma, asked questions regarding the Wishkak Road Reconstruction Project. Commissioner Wood explained the liability issue for the County. Commissioner Morrisette suggested the County engineer be consulted. Mr. Hutchison asked questions regarding the \$105,000 request to the State Health Department for a funding proposal for a community based youth development program for teen girls. Mr. Blunt discussed his experience with the Teen Parenting Pregnancy Prevention Office. He discussed future financial plans for the PDA. There was no additional public comment and Public Comment II was closed.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolutions were approved and signed by the Board:

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| #01-87 | 2001 Grays Harbor County Fair Dedication |
| #01-88 | Resolution Amending the 2001-2006 Transportation Improvement Program and the 2002-2007 Transportation Improvement Program |

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The meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m. to Monday, August 13, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
for Grays Harbor County
This _____ day of _____, 2001

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman

DENNIS MORRISETTE, Commissioner

DAN WOOD, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Sandra Daniels
Clerk of the Board