

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

September 17, 2001

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room of the Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, September 17, 2001, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Dennis Morrisette and Dan Wood and Sandi Daniels, Clerk of the Board, were present. Jim Baker, Prosecuting Attorney was present.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** Minutes from the September 10, 2001 Board of County Commissioners meeting were approved.

#### **BIDS:**

None

#### **HEARINGS:**

**Final Draft of Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (2001):** There was a public hearing to obtain citizen comment on the Final Draft of the Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan (CSWMP) 2001. Solid waste management has changed dramatically in Grays Harbor County since the Plan was last revised in 1991. The County established a 20-year contract with Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. in 1994 to construct and operate the Central Transfer Station and a 20-year contract with Regional Disposal Company to provide transportation and disposal of Grays Harbor County's solid waste. The 2001 plan was developed in association with the cities, towns, and other affected groups located in the County. The final draft of the 2001 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan was available for review at the Aberdeen, Elma, Hoquiam, McCleary, Ocean Shores, Montesano, Oakville, Amanda Park, and Westport public libraries. There was also a copy available at the Department of Public Services located at 100 West Broadway, Suite #31, Montesano, Washington, on August 1, through September 17, during normal business hours. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Jennifer Goodhart, Recycling Coordinator for Grays Harbor County and the Staff Representative for the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, provided a staff report. Ms. Goodhart announced that she would incorporate any comments from the public hearing into the final document. Ms. Goodhart explained that when all the resolutions of adoption are received from each city, the plan would need to be adopted by the Board of County Commissioners before the final document can be sent to Ecology for final approval. Ms. Goodhart reported that Grays Harbor County is required by the Washington Solid Waste Management Reduction and Recycling Act, Chapter 70.95 Revised Code of Washington to prepare a 20-year Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan. Solid waste management has changed dramatically in Grays Harbor County since the plan was last revised in 1991. The 1991 Plan was contracted out to CH2M Hill and looks at the needs and opportunities, as well as alternatives, of the

County's solid waste needs forecasted over twenty years. The result of that plan led to the current solid waste system in place today in Grays Harbor County. In preparation of the closure of the Aberdeen Landfill, the County established a 20-year contract with Harold LeMay Enterprises, Inc. in 1994 to construct and operate the Central Transfer Station and a 20-year contract with Regional Disposal Company to provide transportation and disposal of Grays Harbor County's solid waste. The 2001 Revision reflects these massive changes and was developed in association with cities, towns, and other affected groups located in the County through the appointed Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC). Since the 1991 plan, Grays Harbor County has established countywide curbside collection of cardboard, mixed paper, newspaper, glass, and metal and has a drop box area for these materials, as well as milk jugs, at the Central Transfer Station. There is also a fixed Household Hazardous Waste Collection Facility at the Central Transfer Station for free disposal of residential hazardous waste. Small Quantity Generator business waste is also accepted with a disposal fee. Ms. Goodhart reported the vision and focus of the 2001 Revised Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan is to lay the foundation for proper management of solid waste systems in Grays Harbor County now and in the future. The standards by which programs will be developed and implemented are the goals, developed in consultation with the SWAC on September 19, 2000. In summary, the 2001 Revision reflects the current solid waste system in place in Grays Harbor County and suggests ways to fine tune the programs over the next 20-years. There are no drastic changes recommended because the SWAC and the County feel the solid waste system is functioning optimally. Ms. Goodhart introduced Diane Weaver, Chairperson for the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for Grays Harbor County. Ms. Weaver reported the SWAC has reviewed and modified the Comprehensive Solid Waste Plan and they support the plan as presented. Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. The Solid Waste Management Plan was referred back to the Department of Public Services, Utilities Division.

**Supplemental Appropriation, Public Health and Social Services Fund:** There was a public hearing to consider Supplemental Appropriation as follows: Public Health and Social Services Fund #001-000-029 in the amount of \$15,481.00. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Rose Elway, Budget Director, provided a staff report. Ms. Elway reported the Supplemental Appropriation in the General Fund Public Health and Social Services Department is due to additional funding received from the Department of Health for the Tobacco Program. Funds will be used for professional services and supplies to meet grant objectives. 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. 01-103 – Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Public Health And Social Services Department #001-000-029.

**Proposed Ordinance Amending Ordinance 39:** There was a public hearing to consider adopting provisions containing definitions and rules of construction applicable to all Grays Harbor County ordinances as a whole. The following summary provides a brief description of the ordinance presented to the Board of Commissioners of Grays Harbor County for consideration. An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 39 By Adjusting The Terms Of Appointment To The Board Of Adjustment Consistent With Ordinance 87. Ordinance 87 expanded membership of the Grays Harbor County Board of Adjustment from five to seven members and it is necessary to amend Ordinance 39 to adjust the original terms of the two additional members to be consistent with Ordinance 87. A full text of the proposed ordinance was available at the County Commissioners Office, Montesano, Washington, for review and was available to be mailed upon request. Jim Baker, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, provided a staff report. Ms. Baker explained this is the first of several ordinances that have been compiled in connection with codifying the County Ordinances into a County Code that would make it easier for the public and for County employees and staff and other persons to access County Ordinances. Mr. Baker explained the proposed ordinance amends Ordinance 39. In order for Ordinance 39 to be consistent with Ordinance 87 and with current practice the proposed Ordinance was recommended. 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 Ordinance No. 283 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 39 By Adjusting The Terms Of Appointment To The Board of Adjustment Consistent With Ordinance 87.

**Proposed Ordinance Providing Penalty:** There was a public hearing to consider an ordinance prescribing a penalty for ordinance violations for which no other penalty is separately provided. The following summary provides a brief description of the ordinance presented to the Board of Commissioners of Grays Harbor County for consideration. An Ordinance Prescribing A Penalty For Ordinance Violations For Which No Other Penalty Is Separately Provided. A full text of the proposed ordinance was available at the County Commissioners Office, Suite 1, Montesano, Washington, for review, and was available to be mailed upon request. Jim Baker, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, provided a staff report. Mr. Baker explained the second proposed ordinance provides for general penalties for ordinance violations for which no other penalty is separately provided. This item was continued for further information.

**Proposed Ordinance Adopting Definitions and Rules:** There was a public hearing to consider an ordinance adopting definitions and rules of construction applicable to all Grays Harbor County ordinances as a whole. The following summary provides a brief description of the ordinance presented to the Board of Commissioners of Grays Harbor County for consideration. An Ordinance Adopting Definitions And Rules Of

Construction Applicable To All County Ordinances. A full text of the proposed ordinance was available at the County Commissioners Office, Suite 1, Montesano, Washington, for review and was available to be mailed upon request. Jim Baker, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, provided a staff report. Mr. Baker explained the proposed ordinance would adopt definitions and rules of interpretation that would apply to all County Ordinances in the event that any specific Ordinance did not have a defined term in that proposed Ordinance. Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the public hearing was closed. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Ordinance No. 284 – An Ordinance Adopting Definitions And Rules Of Construction Applicable To All County Ordinances.

**Proposed Ordinance Repealing Obsolete, Superseded or Unconstitutional**

**Ordinances:** There was a public hearing to consider an ordinance repealing obsolete, superseded or unconstitutional ordinances and portions thereof for Grays Harbor County. The following summary provides a brief description of the ordinance presented to the Board of Commissioners of Grays Harbor County for consideration. Mr. Baker explained the proposed Ordinance repeals obsolete, superseded or unconstitutional ordinances and portions thereof for Grays Harbor County. Mr. Baker reported these ordinances date back to the 1940's. 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 Ordinance No. 285 – An Ordinance Repealing Obsolete, Superseded Or Unconstitutional Ordinances And Portions Thereof For Grays Harbor County, Washington. as amended by deleting Ordinance No. 26, enacted May 6, 1963, and Ordinance No. 106, enacted July 11, 1994

Commissioner Wood announced there is a list by ordinance number and a brief description of the title. The list was made available to the public.

**PRESENTATION:**

**Mike Kennedy, Executive Director, Pacific Mountain Workforce Development**

**Council – Apprenticeship Program:** Mr. Kennedy addressed the Board regarding the Apprenticeship Program. He commented that apprenticeships are a good training program. Mr. Kennedy provided background information regarding the Apprenticeship Program and plans for the future. Tom Schuck, with Pacific Northwest Regional Council of Carpenters, spoke in support of the Apprenticeship Program. Mr. Schuck commented that setting the ceilings on dollar amounts/trigger amounts can be critical and recommended that they be reviewed. He commented on the local availability of apprentices. Dave Connelly, representing the Grays Harbor Central Labor Council, spoke in support of the Apprenticeship Program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT I:**

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES**

**Request Set Hearing Date, Application for Variance:** October 1, 2001 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a request by Thomas Weber for a variance from the County Subdivision Road Standards, Ordinance No. 190, for a conditionally approved 4-lot Short Subdivision.

**Request Declare Property Surplus:** Inadvertently, two (2) items were left off the recent surplus list. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the request to declare the following items surplus: Item one (1), a Hornet Arco gas powered welder, model number 6WDZ0AG-1A, serial number 292-DN. Item two (2) an ONAN Generator set, model number 5JWC-1E speck number 270A, serial number 22-448055 (U.S. Military surplus). The first item has very little value and should be disposed of at a local salvage yard. The second item has some value and should be sold at the up coming auction. The second item should have a minimum bid of fifty (50.00) dollars.

**Request Approval to Lower Speed Limit:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 01-102 – Amending Ordinance 46 and Lowering of Speed Limit on Joann Way. The Department of Public Services has reviewed the petition from the residents of Joann Way in Central Park. The Department will install a dead end sign as requested. The Department recommended lowering the legal speed limit from 25 mph to 20 mph. 20 mph is the lowest legal speed limit that a public road can be posted.

**Request Approval, Minimum Bid Prices on Surplus Vehicles:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a list of vehicles that were declared surplus on September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2001. These vehicles will be sold at public auction on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2001. The list also includes minimum bid prices.

**DEPARTMENTS**

**COMMISSIONERS**

**Resolution in Support of Our President:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 01-100 – A Resolution Supporting the President of the United States as a Result of the Events of September 11, 2001

## **HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Request Approval, Amendment to Interlocal Agreement w/SW Washington Health District:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Interlocal Agreement Amendment between Grays Harbor County and the Southwest Washington Health District, which is the lead agency for Region VI Omnibus AIDS funding. This amendment re-allocates funds among intervention plans and services to better reflect actual funding utilization.

## **FAIR**

**Request Declare Property Surplus:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following vehicles be declared surplus and taken off of the Fair inventory:

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| #0086 | Army Truck – B |
| #0087 | Army Truck – A |

The Clerk of the Board announced the following item received after the agenda was prepared:

## **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Request Approval, Salary Resolution, County Clerk's Department:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 01-101 – Amending Resolution No. 01-05 and Fixing Compensation Of Employees From and After January 1, 2001. This salary resolution reflects a retroactive pay raise to July 2001 increasing the Chief Deputy's salary by 5%. This brings the Chief Deputy's salary to 80% of the clerk's salary. The salary of the Chief Deputy is increased as their elected official feels appropriate, maximizing at 90% of the elected official's salary. The General Budget, 001-000-014, for 2001 has funds available due to a position being on leave.

## **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Clerk of the Board reported that the following item was received:

A letter from the Cranberry Coast Chamber of Commerce regarding the Annual Cranberry Festival in Grayland, scheduled for October 13 and 14, 2001. The request is to divert traffic for no longer than 30 to 45 minutes, as in years past. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the request subject to review and recommendation by the Department of Public Services, Risk Management and the Sheriff's Department.

**APPOINTMENTS:**

A notification of resignation from the Grays Harbor County Planning Commission was received from Ronald W. Harless. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the resignation from Ronald W. Harless.

A notification of resignation from the Grays Harbor Tourism Board was received from Ed Backholm. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the resignation from Ed Backholm.

**Grays Harbor County Planning Commission:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to appoint Alan Marrs of Aberdeen to the Grays Harbor County Planning Commission.

**PUBLIC COMMENT II:**

None

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The following resolutions were approved and signed by the Board:

- #01-100      Supporting The President Of The United States As A Result Of The Events Of September 11, 2001
- #01-101      Amending Salary Resolution 01-05 And Fixing Compensation Of Employees From And After January 1, 2001
- #01-102      Amending Ordinance No. 46, Lowering Speed Limit On Joann Lane
- #01-103      Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Public Health And Social Services Department #001-000-029

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The meeting adjourned at 3:03 p.m. to Monday, September 24, 2001 at 2:00 p.m.

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

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BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman

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DENNIS MORRISETTE, Commissioner

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DAN WOOD, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Sandra Daniels  
Clerk of the Board