

MINUTES

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

April 22, 2002

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, April 22, 2002, at 2:00 P.M. Commissioners Beerbower, Morrisette and Wood were present. Also in attendance were the Clerk of the Board, Sandra Daniels, and Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jim Baker.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: The minutes of the Commissioners' meeting of April 15, 2002, were approved as presented.

Bids: None

Hearings: None

Presentations: None

Public Comment I:

Chairman Beerbower called for public comment. Fred Hutchison of Elma, discussed the Grays Harbor PDA and presented his views on the operation and asked a question regarding 4-wheel drive vehicles in the Sheriff's Department.

Art Blauvelt, Attorney representing the Public Development Authority, addressed the Board with a request that they approve the proposed lease with Qinetiq Management, Inc., for Building #2 at the Satsop Site currently leased to Safe Harbor. He pointed out that the County holds the Deed of Trust on the property so the approval of the Commission is required. He told the Board that Washington Community Trade & Economic Development has verbally consented to the proposed lease and non-disturbance Agreement, and will forward their approval in writing. Prosecuting Attorney Baker indicated that he had been working with Mr. Blauvelt on the issue and had two suggested changes prior to finalization. Mr. Blauvelt agreed that he had conferred with Mr. Baker and agreed to his suggestions. He noted that it was very important to finalize this as soon as possible, and any help that the Board could give would be appreciated. Both Commissioner Wood and Commissioner Morrisette indicated they understood the importance of the project, but wanted to be certain that there is a clear understanding of the process so that in the future if there are questions, we don't have a problem.

Commissioner Morrisette moved to authorize the Chair to sign the agreement, subject to final approval by the Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Wood seconded, conditioned upon the Board being kept informed. Motion passed.

Stanley Blaunt of Aberdeen had comments relating to the PDA and its activities. Mr. Hutchison of Elma also had questions relating to the PDA lease.

Department of Public Services

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve closure of *Blue Slough Road* No. 61140 from June 3 through June 7, 2002, from 9:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., daily, to allow *Weyerhaeuser Company* to remove danger trees along the county road. The county will provide one week of advance notice to the public prior to this work. The Board earlier approved this action for July and the above represents a scheduling change by Department of Transportation.

It was moved, seconded and passed to authorize the Director of Public Services to execute a Personal Services Contract for appraisal services with *Strickland, Heischman and Hoss, Inc.* for the Wynooche County Road Project 59190-12 & 13, for an amount not to exceed \$17,450. The services will include 11 parcels; three of the parcels will require a timber cruise.

May 6, 2002, at 2:00 P.M., was the time set to hear an appeal of the Planning Division's administrative conditional approval for Short Subdivision Case #2002-0216, to subdivide .99 acre parcel into two residential building lots.

The Public Services Director presented the Board with the 2001 Traffic Accident Report for their review and information.

Commissioners:

Monday, April 29, 2002, at 2:00 P.M., was the time set for the hearing to consider Final Adoption of the Plan Designating Commissioner Districts, which was heard on April 15, 2002.

Health & Social Services

It was moved, seconded and passed to execute an amendment to the County's Contract with the State Department of Health for conducting health assessment and planning activities in East Grays Harbor County. The amendment extends the contract completion date from July 2002 to October 2002.

It was moved, seconded and passed to execute an amendment to the County's Contract with Personal Service Providers. This program provides mental health case aide services and operates the mental health Ombud's program. This amendment increases the allocation for the Case Aide Program by \$5000 and decreases the allocation for the program by \$5000, leaving the total contract amount unchanged.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign the 2002 Municipal Services Agreement with the Grays Harbor Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$20,000, for the promotion of tourism in Grays Harbor County.

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A Petition for Rededication was received by owners of a portion of Bartell Road, a road previously vacated by Grays Harbor County. The petition was referred to the Department of Public Services and County Engineer for review and recommendation.

Appointments:

Nancy Keeton and Sharon Beatty were re-appointed to the Mental Health Advisory Board for the new terms.

Due to the resignation of two Fire District Commissioners, the Board appointed James Atkinson of Grayland to fill an unexpired term on Grays Harbor Fire District No. 11. According to law, Mr. Atkinson and the remaining Fire District Commissioner will appoint a third person to fill the other position.

Public Comment II:

Fred Hutchison asked questions relating to agenda items acted upon today. The Public Services Director responded. Stanley Blaunt of Aberdeen made further comments relating to the PDA.

Resolutions:

The following resolutions were adopted by the Board:

No. 02-25 Amending Resolution 02-25, Fixing Compensation of Employees
From & After January 2, 2002

No. 02-26 Transferring Items in Clerk's Office Fund 001-014

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The meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

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GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY**

Bob Beerbower, Chairman

Dennis Morrisette

Dan Wood

ATTEST:

Sandra Daniels
Clerk of the Board