

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

July 1, 2002

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, July 1, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Dennis Morrisette and Dan Wood were present. Also in attendance was Sandra Daniels, Clerk of the Board and Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of June 24, 2002, were approved as presented.

#### **BIDS:**

**Construction of Waterline:** The Department of Public Services discovered an error in publication of the bid advertisement for the next phase of the Industrial Waterline. After discussion with the prosecutor's office, they concluded it was necessary to delay the bid opening scheduled for today and re-advertise. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a new bid opening day of July 22, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. and grant authorization to publish the bid ad.

#### **HEARINGS:**

Chairman Beerbower reported the process for the public hearing as follows: (1) the Clerk of the Board read the notice; (2) a staff report by County staff; (3) an opportunity for the petitioner or an individual requesting the hearing to make a statement; and (4) an opportunity for the public to speak. The public comment section of the hearing was closed and action by the Board of Commissioners was taken.

**Petition to Vacate:** There was a public hearing to consider a request from Gary and Patricia Owens and David B. Daniels to vacate pursuant to RCW 36.87.020 the following right of way: All of "A" Street lying between Blocks 10 & 11 in the Plat of Chabot's Addition to Moclips, Volume 3, page 46 records of Grays Harbor County located in Section 8, Township 20N, Range 12 WWM. Further information was available from John Kirkwood, Administrative Engineer, Department of Public Works, 100 West Broadway, Suite 31, Montesano, Washington. The Clerk of the Board announced that Commissioner Wood received a number of correspondences and one contained a partial list of property owners opposed to the petition to vacate "A" Street. The correspondence was entered into the record. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Paul Easter, Director of the Department of Public Services, provided a staff report. Mr. Easter reported that Gary and Patricia Owens and David B. Daniels have petitioned to vacate a

40-foot unopened right of way, known as "A" Street, lying adjacent to property they own in the Plat of Chabot's Addition to Moclips. The plat was approved on August 10, 1905 and is recorded in Volume 3, Page 46, records of Grays Harbor County and is located in Section 8, Township 20N, Range 12 W.W.M. Mr. Easter reported that the Department of Public Services received two letters in opposition to the Vacation. The property owner to the North, Kathleen Jaquet, owns two parcels East of "A" Street that would no longer have public access if the Vacation were approved, and she has not been able to come to an agreement on the easement from the Petitioners, Owens and Daniels. The other letter in opposition is from Grays Harbor County Pacific Beach Water and Sewer System. "A" Street may be needed for utility lines in the future. Mr. Easter explained because of Ms. Jaquet needing access, the County's utilities on "A" Street, and the possibility of needing "A" Street as an emergency escape route in case of flooding, the department is opposed to the Vacation.

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Kathleen Jaquet spoke in opposition to the request. John Kallum, resident of Kent, Washington, spoke in behalf of a number of owners of property at the beach. Mr. Kallum expressed concern about egress in case of flooding or other emergencies.

Gary Owens, petitioner, spoke in behalf of his petition. He indicated if the petition was granted, he would be willing to grant easements.

Chuck Druggers, resident of Auburn, spoke in opposition to the petition. Lawrence Corvorari, resident of Moclips, commented when there is flooding they are blocked. He spoke in opposition to the petition. Commissioner Wood asked Paul Easter to look at ways to allow access/egress. Pam Druggers, resident of Auburn discussed flooding issues. There was no further testimony and the hearing was closed. A motion was made, seconded and passed to deny the application based on the engineer's recommendation.

**PRESENTATION:**

Michael Tracy, with Grays Harbor Economic Development Council, presented the 2002 WA-CERT list for consideration. Mr. Tracy expressed appreciation to Lee Napier from Grays Harbor County for assisting with the preparation of the list. He complimented EDC staff member, Gabrielle Patnude for assistance. Mr. Tracy explained the WA-CERT system and process. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 02-49 – A Resolution Establishing Economic Adjustment Initiative Project Priorities for Grays Harbor County.**

**PUBLIC COMMENT I:**

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison, resident of Elma, commented on the PUD and on a letter written by Tom Casey. Mr. Hutchison discussed retirement issues. Stan Blunt, resident of Aberdeen, commented on the Drug Task Force, Public Development Authority and County policy on illegal aliens.

Stanley Trohimovich, resident of Aberdeen, talked about his concern regarding his belief of elected official refusal to comply with quarantees of Board of County Commissioner Surety Bonds. Mr. Trohimovich read from the CNA website regarding surety bonds for public officials. Mr. Trohimovich discussed the definitions of the term "faithful performance."

There was no additional public comment.

**DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES**

**Request Approval, Acceptance of Tower Blvd. as County Road:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 02-50 – A Resolution Amending Resolution 02/20, County Road Plant (Tower Boulevard)**. The resolution will include Tower Boulevard in the Grays Harbor County road system. Resolution 01-14, adopted January 29, 2001, stated that the county would add this road to the county road system upon completion to county standards. Those standard construction requirements have been met and the Department of Public Services requested the addition of Tower Boulevard as a county maintained road.

**Request Approval, Speed Limit for Tower Blvd.:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 02-51 – A Resolution Amending Ordinance 46, Changing Speed Limit on Tower Boulevard**. The resolution raises the speed limit from 25 mph to 30 mph between milepost 0.000 and milepost 0.334 on Tower Boulevard. Tower Boulevard is a newly constructed road that intersects with Lambert Road, which is currently posted as 30 mph. Investigation by the Traffic and Planning Division has established that the proposed limit is appropriate.

**Request Approval, D.O.C. Contract, HVAC Project:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement #CSEC5769 between the Department of Corrections and Grays Harbor County for \$500,000 in state grant funds awarded for the Jail HVAC Project which will increase bed space by 31%. The Department of Public Services requested that the agreement be approved.

**Request Approval, Industrial Waterline Waterline/Port:** A motion was made,

seconded and passed to approve an Aberdeen Industrial Waterline Easement -- Port of Grays Harbor. The easement has been prepared to provide for the placement of the Industrial Waterline through the Port area, generally along Port Industrial Road. The Department of Public Services recommended approval of the Easement.

**Request Authorization for Environmental Health Director to Sign Purchased Services Contract:** The Grays Harbor County Environmental Health Department has received a Contract for Purchased Services from the Superintendent of Public Instruction, State of Washington to provide health and sanitation evaluations of food service management companies (vendors), sponsor food preparation facilities and feeding sites operating under the USDA Summer Food Service Program during the summer of 2002 for an amount not to exceed \$300. A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Doug George, Director of Public Services Environmental Health Division, to sign said Contract for Services as described above.

**Request Approval, DOH Joint Plan of Operation:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Doug George, Environmental Health Director, to sign the Department of Health joint plan of operation to conduct sanitary surveys on Group A water systems located within Grays Harbor County and administer the Group B water systems program.

## **DEPARTMENTS**

### **COMMISSIONERS**

**To Be Considered For Approval, 2002 WA-CERT List:** This item was processed under Presentations.

### **FORESTRY**

**Request Approval, Timber Contract Completion:** Tubafor Mill, Inc. has satisfactorily completed all the terms and conditions of the contract for the Carlisle No. 2 Timber Sale. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the contract as complete and release the performance bond as posted by Tubafor Mill, Inc. for this sale.

### **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**Request Approval, Set Hearing Date, Supplemental Appropriation, Sheriff's Department:** July 15, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a Supplemental Budget hearing in the Sheriff's Department budget due to \$40,320 in impact fees

received from the Quinault Nation. Funding will be used to move records and office furniture out of the records office, the purchase of a new copier and fax machine in the jail, new bunks and mattresses and miscellaneous small items for the jail.

**Request Approval, Budget Transfer:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 02-52 – Transferring Items In The Grays Harbor County General Fund.** The budget transfer reflects the \$32,311 six-month savings in insurance fees reduced in the office/clerical Labor & Industry category effective 7/1/02. These fees fund the employee's safety and loss program for which the office and clerical employees are in a lower risk classification. The County Safety and Loss Program is experience rated by the Washington State Department of Labor & Industries at .6651 of a 100% possible rate. The reduced claims loss rate generated \$97,526 savings to Grays Harbor County in 2001, primarily in the higher risk classifications of outdoor/field of \$74,259 and law enforcement of \$17,106. The office/clerical savings was \$6,161 of the \$97,526. The reduced fee savings is being transferred by each General Fund department to the benefit category to offset benefit increases in labor negotiations.

**Request Approval, Authority to Sign Purchase Contract:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Dale Gowan, Director of Central Services, to sign a Microsoft Products Purchase Agreement with the Washington State Department of Information Services so that the County may purchase software off the state contract on an as needed basis for the County's computer system.

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

### **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

**Request Approval, Amendment to County's Contract with State Department of Health for the Breast and Cervical Health Program:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County's contract with the State Department of Health for the Breast and Cervical Health Program. This amendment reduces the contract by \$31,339, effectively eliminating all funding for Fiscal Year 2003 as of July 1, 2002. As of July 1, the County will no longer serve as the prime contractor for this program. Thurston County will assume the role of prime contractor, and the County will sub-contract with them to provide case management locally.

**AUDITOR**

**June Payroll & Payables for Approval:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Payroll and Payable for the month of June 2002. Total Claims -- \$5,818,338.50; Total Salary -- \$1,843,207.65 for a monthly total of \$7,661,546.15.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

None

**APPOINTMENT:**

None

**PUBLIC COMMENT II**

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison asked questions regarding the Tower Boulevard project, the budget transfer item and other agenda items.

Stan Blunt discussed various issues including illegal aliens within Grays Harbor County.

There was no further public comment.

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

None

**RESOLUTIONS:**

The following resolutions were approved and signed by the Board:

- #02-49            A Resolution Establishing Economic Adjustment Initiative Project Priorities For Grays Harbor County**
  
- #02-50            A Resolution Amending Resolution 02/20, County Road Plant (Tower Boulevard)**
  
- #02-51            A Resolution Amending Ordinance No. 46, Changing Speed Limit on Tower Boulevard**

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**#02-52      A Resolution Transferring Items in the Grays Harbor County  
General Fund**

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The meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m. to Monday, July 8, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
for Grays Harbor County  
This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2002

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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