

MINUTES

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

August 12, 2002

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, August 12, 2002, at 2:00 P.M. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Dennis Morrisette and Dan Wood were present. Also in attendance were Sandra Daniels, Clerk of the Board, and Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of August 5, 2002, were approved as presented.

PRESENTATION The Clerk of the Board read a resolution honoring Kay Criswell for 27-1/2 years of service to the County in the Sheriff's Department, and honoring her upon her retirement. Kay Criswell was present to accept the congratulations from the Board. Both Commissioner Morrisette, as the former Sheriff and her employer, and the Under Sheriff, Rick Scott, thanked Kay for her support, outstanding work, and calm and professional demeanor during emergency situations. It was noted that Ms. Criswell has been a valuable and trusted asset to the Grays Harbor County Sheriff's Department.

BIDS The Clerk of the Board announced that there was an error on today's agenda. That the bid call for the Railroad Crossing Project at Elma-Hicklin Road is actually set for, and advertised in the county's legal publication, August 26, 2002.

HEARINGS

A hearing to consider an amendment to Grays Harbor County Ordinance No. 157. The amendment would call for the prohibition of the use of compression brakes on additional portions of the roadway within the county, specifically Junction City. Paul Easter, Director of Public Services, indicated that he had worked with the Prosecuting Attorney to provide the proposed amendments for the Board's consideration. There was no further testimony and the chairman closed the meeting. Commissioner Morrisette noted that he had asked staff to review the amendment due to a request by Junction City residents, who were concerned by the additional noise that will be created as a result of the construction of the Sierra-Pacific Mill in Junction City and the large number of trucks coming and going each day. He said that since that time he has spoken with the Washington State Truckers Association and the residents of Junction City. They have indicated that based on the assurance of the Truckers Association voluntary compliance policy and the cooperation of Sierra Pacific, the ordinance will not be necessary. He noted his agreement with this, and made a motion to table the proposed ordinance. There was no second. Commissioner Wood pointed out that there were additional amendments to Ordinance 157, contained in the proposed ordinance. Prosecuting Attorney Baker agreed, indicating that there were some wording changes that were created as a result of changes in state law, that should be included. Following discussion, it was moved, seconded and passed to adopt an Ordinance Amending Ordinance No. 157, deleting the section relating to Junction City.

A hearing to consider Supplemental Appropriations in the General Fund as follows: Auditor - \$5,722; Facilities Services - \$18,202; Civil Service - \$150; District Court - 8,645; Clerk - \$10,252; Juvenile - \$39,285; Commissioner - \$7,441; Prosecuting Attorney - \$18,946; Environmental Health - \$4,571; Superior Court - \$3,792; Coroner - \$1,866; Treasurer - \$2,540, totaling \$121,412. Rose Elway, Budget Director, gave a staff report and told the Board that unanticipated revenue has been received from sales tax on the Duke energy construction project, and will be used for department salary increases. The chairman called for testimony. Fred Hutchinson of Elma asked questions on the disbursement. There being no further testimony, the hearing was closed. It was moved, seconded and passed to adopt a resolution authorizing the appropriation.

A hearing to consider a Supplemental Appropriation in the Fair Fund in the amount of \$16,700. Rose Elway provided the staff report, and told the Board that the supplement was due to revenues received from a bull riders event to be held at the Fair Pavilion. The event was co-sponsored by the Grays Harbor Mounted Posse who have entered into an Interlocal Agreement with the County. The chairman called for testimony. There was no further testimony. It was moved, seconded and passed to adopt a resolution authorizing the appropriation.

A hearing to consider a Supplemental Appropriation to the Sheriff's Department Fund in the amount of \$1000. Ms. Elway gave her staff report and told the Board that the \$1000 is due to a Washington State Military Department Grant for improvements to the tsunami web page. There was no further testimony and it was moved, seconded and passed to adopt a resolution authorizing the appropriation. The Clerk of the Board noted that the Notice of Publication incorrectly noted the amount of \$8000, rather than the correct \$1000.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Fred Hutchinson of Elma commented and asked questions on several agenda items. He also asked the Board if they planned to do away with the second Public Comment on each weeks' agenda. The Chairman indicated that the Board felt two comment periods were unnecessary, but agreed to move the item to the end of the agenda so that anyone wanting to speak will be given the opportunity.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES

Paul Easter, Director, gave a staff report and asked for the Board's approval as follows:

Proceed with Negotiations to Purchase Necessary Rights-of-Way

A motion was made, seconded and passed to sign seven Review Appraisals and four Administrative Offer Summaries relating to the Wynooche Valley Road CRP 59190-12, 13, 14.

Sign Grant Applications for Financial Assistance from DOE

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign the Watershed Planning Grant Application to the Department of Ecology. The grant funding was appropriated through ESHB 1832 for local planning units to further assess instream flows, water quality, and water quantity conditions. The County on behalf of the Chehalis Basin Partnership will administer the grant from the DOE, and will fully cover the expenses incurred by the County.

Sign Local Agency Agreement Supplement No. 4

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve Local Agreement Supplement No. 4 for the Lambert Road Realignment Phase 2 (Olympic View Drive), calling for federal funds for the consultant services.

Sign Consultant Agreement, Lambert Road Project

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve Consultant Agreement with KPFF Consulting engineers to continue with their design work on the above noted project. The agreement has been finalized with the maximum amount payable to the consultant set at \$98,700.

Set Hearing Date

It was moved, seconded and passed to set August 26, 2002, at 2:00 P.M., to hear the application to make a text-amendment to the Grays Harbor Zoning Ordinance #241, specifically the R-3 zoning – district regulations.

DEPARTMENTS

Sheriff

Upon a request by the Sheriff Whelan, it was moved, seconded and passed to approve an agreement with AT&T Broadband to provide cable TV services to county jail inmates, at a savings to the county.

Public Health & Social Services

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve a revision to the Program Budget for the County's Agreement with the DSHS Division of Developmental Disabilities. It was noted that a reduction of \$4,789 is due to a decreased vendor rate increase for state funding, effective July 1, 2002.

Management Services

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign a Washington State Military Department Grant for E-911 in the amount of \$183,850. The funding will be used for salaries and maintenance on equipment necessary to operate Enhanced 911.

An Interagency Agreement with Grays Harbor County Noxious Weed Control Board and the Department of Natural Resources was approved upon motion, seconded and passed. The Agreement provides forest labor crews for removal of noxious weeds along Highway 101 from Lake Quinault South to Donkey Creek Road. This is in coordination with the USFS Lake Quinault Weed Project.

A request for \$50,000 Fund Transfer in the Special Projects Fund was continued one week for further information.

Commissioners

It was moved, seconded and passed to approve an Amendment to the Sheriff's Office (Criminal Division) Bargaining Unit. Commissioner Morrisette explained that this amendment to the 2001-2003 Labor Agreement becomes effective August 1, 2002, and allows employees to obtain coverage under a retiree's Medical Plan offered by the Retiree's Welfare Trust and will add no extra cost to the County. The payment comes from the employees' salaries

CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk of the Board announced that the following correspondence had been received:

Stanley Trohimovich sent an e-mail that he requested be noted during the Commissioners' Meeting. *Subject: Do you have a full and complete record of my requests for an accounting (such being necessary to show your official bond violations)?*

APPOINTMENT None

RESOLUTIONS

The following Resolutions were adopted and signed by the Board:

- #02-73 Honoring Kay Criswell for 27-1/2 Years of Service to Grays Harbor County**
- #02-74 Authorizing Supplemental Extension in the Budget of County General Fund**
- #02-75 Authorizing Supplemental Extension in Grays Harbor Fair Fund**
- #02-76 Authorizing Supplemental Extension in Sheriff's Department Fund**

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The meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M., to Monday, August 19, 2002, at 2:00 P.M.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman

DENNIS MORRISETTE

DAN WOOD

ATTEST:

Sandra Daniels
Clerk of the Board