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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING

October 21, 2002

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, October 21, 2002, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Dennis Morrisette and Dan Wood were present. Also in attendance was Sandi Daniels, Clerk of the Board and Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of October 14, 2002, were approved as submitted.

PRESENTATION:

None

BIDS:

Proposals for Computer Equipment Maintenance: There was a bid opening for the following: Proposals for Computer Equipment Maintenance. To be delivered f.o.b. Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, pursuant to and in accordance with the specifications on file in the Department of Central Services. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

Rainier Solutions Incorporated, Bellevue, Washington	\$14,277.00
Abtech Systems, Incorporated, Carlsbad, California	\$ 9,509.00

Chairman Beerbower referred the bids to the Department of Central Services for review and recommendation.

HEARINGS:

Chairman Beerbower reported the process for the public hearing as follows: (1) the Clerk of the Board will read the notice; (2) a staff report by County staff; and (3) 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.

Supplemental Appropriation, Special Projects Fund: There was a public hearing to consider Supplemental Appropriation as follows: Special Projects Fund #101-000-000 in the amount of \$65,000. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Rose Elway, Budget Director provided a staff report. Ms. Elway reported the supplemental budget hearing is due to an amendment to the Washington State Fish and Wildlife Grant. Grays

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Harbor County is the lead entity for this grant which will continue the development of the Chehalis Basin Salmon Recovery strategy. Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison asked questions regarding the intended purpose of the grant. Chairman Beerbower explained the planned goal for the project. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 02-106 – Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County Special Projects Fund #001-000-000.**

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SERVICES:

Request Approval, Execution of Right-of-Way Deeds: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve three (3) right-of-way deeds on the Wynoochee Valley Road, C.R.P. 59190-12 & 13 county road projects. By signing the deeds, the county's right-of-way agent will proceed with recording and payment for the new right-of-way.

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

Request Approval, Hearing Date, Housing Plan: December 2, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to review, take comment, and adopt if deemed appropriate, the Creating Safe and Affordable House of Choice for the Low and Moderate-Income People of Grays Harbor County. This document represents an update to the Community Development and Housing Plan, December 1995, and provides a five-year strategic plan.

DEPARTMENTS:

MANAGEMENT SERVICES:

Request Approval, Hearing Date, Supplemental Appropriation: November 4, 2002 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a Supplemental Budget request in the amount of \$19,738 in the District Court Office due to an increase in traffic infraction revenue collections as a result of anticipated caseload increase this year. Funds will be used to update law books, increase in postage costs, professional services due to increase in caseload levels and check protectors for each court office to eliminate the risk of forgery and theft of court funds upon issuance of bail refund and restitution checks.

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

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Request Approval, M.O.U., Retro Rating Program: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Memorandum of Understanding and Membership Agreement for the Washington State Association of Counties Retrospective Rating Program covering a one year period. The purpose of this program is to benefit the member entities and their employees by promoting safe work environments and practices that minimize accidents and injuries and encourage early return-to-work efforts, thereby lowering industrial insurance costs and supporting potential refunds for members.

FORESTRY

Request Approval, Tideland Lease: The Department of Forestry received a request to lease a parcel of County owned tidelands for the purpose of oyster cultivation. The parcel, located near the mouth of John's River, is described as: Oyster Lands Tax 477, and is situated in portions of Section 35 T17N, R11W. This parcel contains roughly 85 acres. A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Treasurer to advertise this parcel for public auction of a lease and that the minimum bid for said lease be set at \$5.00 per acre per year. The term of the lease would be 10 years as provided for in County Ordinance No. 84.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Fred Hutchison, resident of Elma, commented on the Public Development Authority (PDA), the state audit and the lawsuit involving the PDA. Commissioner Wood elaborated on the issue of over-site authority. Stan Blunt, resident of Aberdeen, commented on the \$500 monthly amount paid to PDA Board members and asked why Chairman Beerbower was not receiving the monthly payment. Chairman Beerbower explained that he believed he was paid by the citizens of Grays Harbor to serve as County Commissioner and part of that responsibility included serving on the PDA Board. Bob Bonnell, resident of Montesano, asked questions regarding budget hearings. Mr. Bonnell suggested ideas on ways to save money for the County and prevent people from being laid off. There was no additional public comment.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk of the Board announced an e-mail received from Stanley Trohimovich, 1521 Simpson Avenue, Aberdeen, Washington. The Clerk of the Board read the following from the e-mail:

Please read and enter this communication into the official records of your October 21, 2002 meeting. I write by authority of the First Amendment and

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Washington State Constitution Article 1, Sections 4 and 5. Subject: Long delays in execution of Constitutional laws do not amend the Constitution.

Chairman Beerbower referred the e-mail and announced that it was available to the public.

A Claim for Damages against Grays Harbor County was received from Michael Moshofsky. The claim was referred to the Claims Review Committee for review and recommendation.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

None

APPOINTMENT:

Noxious Weed Control Board: The Clerk of the Board announced a vacancy on the Grays Harbor County Noxious Weed Control Board to replace board member Darrell Haglund who left the Board in August. Commissioner Wood requested the appointment be held over until the District 3 Commissioner position is filled. A decision was made to continue the appointment to the Noxious Weed Control Board.

RESOLUTIONS:

The following resolution was approved and signed by the Board:

#02-106

**Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The
Grays Harbor County Special Projects Fund #101-000-000**

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The meeting adjourned at 2:48 p.m. to Monday, October 28, 2002 at 2:00 p.m.

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

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman

DENNIS MORRISETTE, Commissioner

DAN WOOD, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Sandi Daniels
Clerk of the Board