

MINUTES

MEETING OF BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

July 7, 2003

The Commissioners met in session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, July 7, 2003, at 2:00 P.M. Commissioners Dennis Morrisette, Bob Beerbower and Al Carter were present. Also in attendance were Sandra Daniels, Clerk of the Board, and Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, Jim Baker.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of June 30, 2003, were approved as presented.

BIDS: None

HEARINGS None

PRESENTATION Chairman Morrisette introduced Beryl Fernandes, the Southwest Regional Director of the Department of Ecology, who was attending the Commissioners' meeting. She is visiting our county to learn more and become familiar with Grays Harbor County.

DEPARTMENTS

Department of Public Services

Request Approval, Elma-Hicklin Road Project, Administrative Offer Summary: As requested, it was moved, seconded and passed to approve the revised administrative summary, based on a corrected acreage calculation that reflects the true total acreage required for the construction of the project. It was further moved, seconded and passed to authorize the County's right-of-way agent to proceed with negotiations to purchase the necessary easements rights for the project.

Request Approval, Right-of-Way Deeds: It was moved, seconded and passed to sign Right-of-Way Deeds with Mallin Shelton and Pauline Baun, for the Elma-Hicklin Road Project #79740 and Wildcat County Road Project #79170.

Request Approval, Personal Services Contract: Public Services Director Paul Easter explained to the Board that as a part of the North River Road Project, it will be necessary to hire Archaeological experts to provide cultural resource studies related to rebuilding 0.69 miles of the road. This study is required to comply with Section 106 on this federally funded project. It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign the Personal Services Contract with Northwest Archaeological Associates, Inc.

Request Approval, County Road Project Resolutions: It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign two CRP Resolutions, C-55740-01, to improve sections of Sunset Road, and C-55380-01, to improve sections of River Road West.

Request Set Date, Open Bids: It was moved, seconded and passed to set July 28, 2003, at 2:00 P.M., as the time to open bids for the following equipment not available on the State Contract:

- One Pneumatic tire asphalt compactor
- One Rotary boom mower with tractor
- One Brush cutting attachment.

Request Acceptance of Junction City Rail Spur Project: It was moved, seconded and passed to accept the Junction City Rail Spur Project as completed. Final Project cost was \$1,429,980.80. The project was funded by a CERB grant and loan, county Economic Development Funds, and private contributions.

Request Approval, Amendment to Engineering Services Agreement: Upon motion, made, seconded and passed, an amendment to Engineering Services Agreement with Gibbs & Olson, Inc, providing for assistance in obtaining water rights for our recently developed wells in the Hogan's Corner area, was approved and signed by the Board.

Request Approval, Construction Agreement: It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign a Construction Agreement with Rognlin's, Inc., the successful bidder for the Neilton Water System Improvements Project, in the amount of \$436,842.35. The project is being funded by a Community Development Block Grant.

Request Award Bid, Pearsall Building Improvements: Upon the review and recommendation of Director of Utilities and Development, it was moved, seconded and passed to award the bid for the Pearsall Building Project to the low bidder, Coyle Construction of Aberdeen, in the amount of \$42,800.

Request Approval, Rejection of Bids: It was moved, seconded and passed to reject all bids received for the following vehicles:

Two full-size, rear-wheel drive, four-door Police Pursuit vehicles
Two passenger vehicles, midsize, four-door, 6 cylinder sedans
Two medium size, four-door 4x4 Sport Utility vehicles,

All bids received were higher than anticipated or budgeted.

Management Services

Request Approval, Agreement with USDA Forest Service It was moved, seconded and passed to approve and sign an agreement with USDA Forest Service, Olympic National Forest, to provide environmental education and summer employment opportunities for Grays Harbor County students in the Quinault student corps area. Federal funds were allocated for this project.

Request Approval, Budget Transfer Resolution: It was moved, seconded and passed to adopt Resolution No. 03-64 – Transferring Items in the Solid Waste Plan Fund #401-000-100.

Request Approval, Resolution Establishing Bond Fund: It was moved, seconded and passed to adopt Resolution No. 03-65 – Establishing Bond Repayment Fund, Grays Harbor General Limited Obligation Bond 2003#205-000-000.

Prosecuting Attorney

Request Approval, Settlement Agreement and Release: Upon the recommendation of the Prosecuting Attorney, it was moved, seconded and passed to sign Settlement Agreement & Release in the Pace & Pinger v. Grays Harbor County suit.

Auditor

Request Approval, June Payroll and Payables: It was moved, seconded and passed to approve the month-end Expenditures Audit Report as follows: Total Claims - \$4,188,892.46; Total Salary - \$1,925,774.58.

Public Comment

John Olson of Quinault addressed the Board regarding property for a proposed sub-division, and problems that he felt he had experienced when seeking the necessary permits and information from the County Public Services/Planning Departments. He indicated some areas that he felt the county's approach was inappropriate or "illegal". He requested that the Commission look into this. He did however indicate that his particular situation had now been resolved to his satisfaction. Chairman Morrisette indicated that the Board would do some review and let him know what they learned.

Announcements No announcements.

Correspondence

The Clerk of the Board noted receipt of the receipt of a Complaint for Refund of Property Taxes from Qwest Corporation, which had been forwarded to the Prosecuting Attorney and the Claims Review Committee to be processed.

Correspondence from Stanley J. Trohimovich of Aberdeen relating to Final Request for an Accounting relating to the assessment of annual taxes. He asked that his correspondence be made a part of the record of the Commissioners Meeting. The correspondence is on file with the office of the Board of Commissioners and will be available upon request by the public.

Appointments

It was moved, seconded and passed to re-appoint LuAnne Hanson to the Housing Authority of Grays Harbor County as Resident Commissioner for the upcoming term.

Staff Meetings

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, June 30, 2003, starting at 9:00 A.M. These meetings are public meetings, held in the Commissioners Conference Room. The purpose is for an exchange of information and discussion only. No decisions are made, nor action taken, at staff meetings. The Commissioners and Clerk of the Board review calendars and pending daily office issues. The Board met with Director of Emergency Services, the Public Services Director and the Director of Utilities. Staff meetings will be held during the week.

Resolutions

The following resolutions were approved and signed:

#03-64 Transferring Items in the Grays Harbor Solid Waste Plan Fund #401-000-100

#03-65 Establishing Bond Repayment Fund Grays Harbor Limited General Obligation Bond 2003
#205-000-000

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The meeting adjourned at 2:50 P.M., to Monday, July 14, 2003, at 2:00 P.M.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY**

Dennis Morrisette, Chairman

Bob Beerbower

Albert A. Carter

ATTEST:

**Sandra Daniels
Clerk of the Board**