

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

November 8, 2004

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, November 8, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower and Dennis Morrisette were present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board and Stew Menefee, Prosecuting Attorney. Commissioner Carter was excused.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of November 1, 2004 were approved as presented.

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Set Budget Hearing for December 6, 2004:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to set December 6, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. as the date and time for a public hearing to consider adoption of the Grays Harbor County 2005 Budget, and also consideration of Resolutions authorizing increases in General Expense Fund, Miscellaneous Funds, and Road Limit Factors for Grays Harbor County, per the requirements of RCW 84.55.

DEPARTMENTS

ASSESSOR

1. **Request Approval, Open Space/Designated Timber Application Fee Increase:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2004-89 – Establishing 2005 Application Rates For Open Space And Designated Timber Relating To Tax Assessments.** This resolution authorizes the increase of the Designated Timber fee to \$100.00 and the Open Space fee to \$300.00 (RCW 84.34.030) charged by

the Assessor's Office to reflect increases in processing the application through the staff, county legislative authority and the inspection of the property. The resolution provides for the increase effective January 1, 2005.

AUDITOR

1. **Request Approval, October 2004 Expenditures:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Payroll and Payable for the month of October 2004. Total Claims -- \$4,055,112.75; Total Salary -- \$1,979,512.59 for a monthly total of \$6,034,625.34.

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Resolution to Close Fund #404-008-201, Pacific Beach Sewer Bond Reserve ULID #8:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2004-90 – Closing Grays Harbor County Fund Pacific Beach Sewer Bond Reserve ULID #8.** This resolution authorizes the closing of Fund #404-008-201/Pacific Beach Sewer Bond Reserve ULID #8 due to the reserve obligations not stipulated in the bond so therefore this fund is not necessary.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

1. **Request Approval, Advertise for Geo-technical Engineering Consulting Services for Wynoochee Wishkah Road Realignment:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to set November 11 and November 18, 2004 as the dates to advertise for geotechnical engineering consulting services for the Wynoochee Wishkah Road Realignment Project, Project No. C-51800-14. The County has received state funding approval through the Rural Arterial Program (RAP) for this road realignment project.

2. **Request Approval, Set Hearing Date of November 22, 2004 to Amend 2004-2009 & 2005-2010 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Programs:** November 22, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to review and adopt a resolution amending the 2004-2009 and the 2005-2010 Six Year Transportation Improvement Programs (TIP) to include federal funding for six selected bridge projects.

3. **Request Approval, Resolution – CRP Resolution to Improve Sunset Street in Moclips:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a CRP Resolution to improve Sunset Street in Moclips, C-32570-02. This project proposes to widen Sunset Street to accommodate the increased traffic from new development.

4. Request Approval – Resolution Setting Emergency Load Restrictions: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2004-91 – A Resolution Establishing Emergency Load Limitations**. Paul Easter, Director of Public Services Department, explained this resolution authorizes setting and removing established emergency load restrictions during freeze and thaw periods and other inclement weather, which threatens the foundation and surface of County roads. This resolution covers 180 days from the effective date, which will provide for the winter of 2004-2005.

5. Request Approval, Agreement with Washington Department of Transportation: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Government Agreement for Aid-WSDOT, which allows the state to assist the County in Right of Way acquisition.

6. Request Approval, Resolution to Change the Speed Limit on Wynoochee Valley Road, MP 4.570 to MP 8.230: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution #2004-92 -- Speed Limit Raised From 30-mph to 40-mph on Wynoochee Valley Road**. Paul Easter explained that this resolution authorizes raising the speed limit on Wynoochee Valley Road between milepost 4.570 and milepost 8.230 (3.66) from 30-mph to 40-mph. This revision will make the speed limit 40-mph on all of the Wynoochee Valley Road. Investigation by the Traffic and Planning Division has established that the proposed speed limit is appropriate.

7. Request Approval, Declare Certain Equipment Surplus: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following equipment to be declared surplus:

<u>PS#</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Make/Model</u>	<u>Min/Bid</u>
42	1996	Ford Taurus	\$ 600
57	1999	Ford Crown Vic	\$1200
63	1997	Ford Crown Vic	\$ 900
105	1997	Ford F250	\$1800
172	1996	Ford Explorer	\$1600
175	1999	Chevy Blazer	\$1800

This equipment was replaced in the normal replacement cycle and is no longer required by Grays Harbor County.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S):

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk of the Board announced the following correspondence received:

A lawsuit filed by Daniel T. Johnson v. Grays Harbor Drug Task Force, Cause No. Y4-2-2116. The lawsuit was referred to the Prosecuting Attorney.

A petition regarding Lag in Response Time to any person in need of medical assistance on the beach at the northern area of Copalis Beach. The petition will be forwarded to the Public Services Department.

An e-mail dated November 7, 2004 and received from Stanley J. Trohimovich, Aberdeen, Washington. Subject – Fraudulent Elections of a Purported President, But Actually One Who Is Usurping The Office Of President And Has The True Status Of An Unindicted Felon. Chairman Morrisette announced the e-mail would be available to the public, forwarded to the Prosecuting Attorney's office and placed on file.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Morrisette asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, November 8, 2004, starting at 9:00 a.m. These staff meetings are advertised public meetings, held in the Commissioners' Conference Room. The Commissioners and Clerk of the Board reviewed calendars and pending daily office issues. The Board met with Paul Easter, Director, Department of Public Services and Doug George, Environmental Health Department.

RESOLUTIONS

#2004-89 Establishing 2005 Application Rates For Open Space And Designated Timber Relating To Tax Assessments

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Reserve ULID #8**

#2004-91 Establishing Emergency Load Limitations

**#2004-92 Speed Limit Raised From 30-mph To 40-mph On Wynoochee Valley
Road**

ORDINANCES

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:18 p.m. to Monday, November 15, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
for Grays Harbor County
this _____ day of _____, 2004

BOB BEERBOWER, Commissioner, District 1

DENNIS MORRISETTE, Chairman

excused

ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board