

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

**December 13, 2004**

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, December 13, 2004, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Al Carter and Dennis Morrisette were present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board and Stew Menefee, Prosecuting Attorney.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:** The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of December 6, 2004 were approved as presented.

#### **BIDS**

1. **One Or More Used Fork Lift:** There was a bid opening for the delivery of one or more used forklift. This was approved in the 2004 budget. The bid specifications were available at Grays Harbor County, Department of Public Services, 100 West Broadway, Suite 31, Montesano, Washington. Notice of this bid opening was advertised on December 2 and December 9, 2004. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bid received with bid bond attached:

Star Rentals, Seattle, WA.	\$9,638.70
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Chairman Morrisette referred the bid to the Department of Public Services for review and recommendation.

#### **HEARINGS**

1. **Supplemental Appropriation – Sheriff's Department Fund #001-000-032:** There was a public hearing to consider Supplemental Appropriation as follows: Sheriff's Department Fund #001-000-032 in the amount of \$176,107. Notice of this hearing was advertised on December 2, and December 9, 2004. Chairman Morrisette asked for a staff report. Rose Elway, Budget Director, reported that the Supplemental Budget hearing for \$176,107 in the Sheriff's Department budget is for funding received from the US Department of Justice, the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and Criminal Justice Training Commission. \$53,791 in funding from the US Department of Justice will be used for patrol and investigations overtime costs. \$500 in funding from a Community Mobilization Against Substance Abuse grant will be used for car mileage. \$4,000 in funding from the Criminal Justice Training Commission will be used for meth team services. \$31,990 in funding from the Washington Traffic Safety Commission will be used for helmets and traffic emphasis supplies. \$78,150 in funding will be used for beach

patrol. A donation of \$7,676 was received from the Washington Association of Sheriff and Police Chiefs for a radar trailer. Chairman Morrisette asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed.

**Action: Resolution: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution #2004-113 – Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Sheriff's Department #001-000-032.**

**2. Emergency Appropriation – Coroner's Office #001-000-017:** There was a public hearing to consider Emergency Appropriation as follows: Coroner's Office #001-000-017 in the amount of \$6000. Notice of this hearing was advertised on December 2, 2004. Chairman Morrisette asked for a staff report. Rose Elway, Budget Director, reported that the Emergency Budget Hearing for \$6,000 in the Coroner's Office is in Professional Services to cover the anticipated expenses of autopsy costs and related services for the remainder of the year. Chairman Morrisette asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed.

**Action: Resolution: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution #2004-114 – Authorizing An Emergency Appropriation In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Coroner's Office #001-017.**

## **PRESENTATIONS**

None

## **COMMISSIONERS**

**1. Approve Contract With Grays Harbor Economic Development Council for 2005:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2005 service contract between the Grays Harbor County and the Grays Harbor Economic Development Council. The contract is in the amount of \$13,500 and payable on a quarterly basis.

## **DEPARTMENTS**

## **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**1. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Emergency/Supplemental Budget– Illahee Oyhut Water #402-000-000:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to set December 20, 2004 at 2:00 p.m. as the date and time for an emergency/supplemental

budget hearing in the Grays Harbor County Illahee Oyehut Fund #402-000-000 for \$15,000 due to additional water sales. Funds will be used for public utility services.

### **PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE**

**1. Request Approval, To Review Bids and Proposals Received For District And Juvenile Court Contracts And Make Recommendations:** The Clerk of the Board announced that the Prosecutor has received bids and proposals for District and Juvenile Court contracts and has requested approval to review those bids and make recommendations to the Board. Stew Menefee, Prosecutor, reported that the County on an annual basis advertises for applications for four Indigent Defense Contracts for the District Court and Juvenile Court. This year applications for the Indigent Defense Contracts for the Grays Harbor County District Court were received from six attorneys including: Kyle Imler, Michael Jordan, Robert Ehrhardt, Thomas Keehan, Jonathan Feste and Therese M. Wheaton. Mr. Menefee reported that he has spoken with the District Court judges and their recommendations for awards are as follows:

Kyle Imler, Jonathan Feste, Therese M. Wheaton and Robert Ehrhardt for 2005 Indigent Defense services in the Grays Harbor County District Court.

The three 2005 Juvenile Contracts are as follows:

1. Juvenile Defense Contract. One bid was received from Kyle Imler for \$4,500 per month. Mr. Imler has the current 2004 Juvenile Defense Contract for the County.
2. Juvenile Dependency Defense Contract. These contracts are for cases where the County appoints counsel to represent parents of the child involved in Dependency Proceeding in the Grays Harbor Juvenile Court. One bid was received from Steven G. McNeill in the amount of \$2,900 per month. Mr. McNeill has the current 2004 Juvenile Dependency Defense Contract for the County.
3. Juvenile Guardian Ad Lien Contract. This contract is for services to juveniles who are the subject of the dependency proceeding. Their parents receive counsel if they are indigent and a dependency is filed by the state. The juvenile also has a right to have counsel and be represented. One bid was received from Tamara Darst for \$3,500 per month. Ms. Darst has the current 2004 Juvenile Guardian Ad Lien Contract for the County.

Mr. Menefee reported that the judges in the District Courts were consulted and they made the recommendations as described. A motion was made, seconded and passed to award the contracts as recommended.

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

- 1. Request Approval, Contract With Southwest Washington Medical Center:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a contract between the County and Southwest Washington Medical Center. This allows the Department to bill for clinical services provided to women in the County who meet the eligibility for the State's Breast and Cervical Health Screening program. Southwest is now the prime contractor for this region of the State.
- 2. Request Approval, Amendment To Contract With State Department Of Health:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County's contract with the State Department of Health. This amendment adds \$6,875 in federal funds to the contract for immunization promotion activities that are currently occurring. There is no increase to expenditures as a result of this amendment.
- 3. Request Approval, Contract With Peninsula Community Health Services:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a contract with Peninsula Community Health Services to provide Oral Health assessment, education, screening and coordination services for a second year. Peninsula Community Health Services operates a full-service dental clinic for children in Aberdeen so is well positioned to provide and coordinate broader oral health activities in the community. The contract utilizes funding received from the State Department of Health and totals \$30,468 through December 31, 2005.

### **PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT**

- 1. Request Approval, Advertise For North River Road Realignment Project:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to grant authorization to advertise and set a bid opening on January 31, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. for the North River Road Realignment Project, C-96130-31.
- 2. Request Approval, Resolution Approving Planning And Building Division Rates:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution #2004-115 – A Resolution Establishing Planning And Building Permitting Fees For Grays Harbor County**. This rate resolution authorizes increasing fees charged by the Planning and Building Division to reflect increases in operational costs. The resolution provides for

some increases effective January 1, 2005, and automatic increases thereafter based on the previous year's June CPI-U (Seattle-Tacoma-Bremerton).

**3. Request Approval, Elma-McCleary Road Hazard Elimination Project C-97400-17:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve two (2) copies of the Local Agency Agreement Supplement No. 1 requesting \$225,000 of Federal Funds for the Elma-McCleary Road Hazard Elimination Project, C-97400-17. This agreement supplement requests federal construction funds.

**4. Request Approval – Lease With Economic Development Council:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2005 lease agreement with the Economic Development Council located at 506 Duffy Street, Aberdeen, WA. The amount of the lease remains the same at \$550 per month plus leasehold taxes. This is a renewal of the existing lease agreement.

**5. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – 2005 Community Development Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation Grant Application:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to set January 10, 2005 as the hearing date to solicit, consider, and select a project proposal for the 2005 application cycle of the Community Development Block Grant Housing Rehabilitation program.

#### **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

**1. Request Approval, Grant Application – Washington State Local Law Enforcement Block Grant:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a grant proposal for the Washington State Local Law Enforcement Block Grant. The Sheriff's Department is applying for this grant to help with the purchase of Mobile Data Terminals for the Criminal Division.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENT(S):**

The Clerk of the Board announced the holiday schedule and that most County offices are closed December 23, 24 and 31.

The Commissioners' Board meeting for December 27, 2004 has been canceled.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

The Clerk of the Board announced the following correspondence received:

A “Projection of Income From State Forest Board Lands” and dated October 15, 2004 was received from Doug Sutherland, Commissioner of Public Lands. The correspondence was referred to Rose Elway, Budget Director and Larry Smith, Director of the Forestry Department.

An e-mail dated December 12, 2004 and received from Stanley J. Trohimovich, Aberdeen, Washington. Subject – Bill of Indictment Notice to Bond Surety for Certain County Officers. Chairman Morrisette announced the e-mail would be available to the public, forwarded to the Prosecuting Attorney’s office and placed on file.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2004-116 – A Resolution Of The Board Of County Commissioners, Grays Harbor County, State of Washington, Denouncing Discrimination On The Basis Of Race, Color, Religion, Gender, Sexual Orientation, Ethnic Background Or National Origin.** Commissioner Carter read Resolution #2004-116 – in its entirety.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Chairman Morrisette asked for public comment. Stan Blunt, resident of Aberdeen, commented on the holiday schedule and office closures. Mr. Blunt, commented on issues involving illegal aliens and the interpretation of terrorists, illegal aliens and prejudice.

### **STAFF MEETINGS**

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, December 13, 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 Maryann Welch, Public Health and Social Services, and Paul Easter, Department of Public Services.

### **RESOLUTIONS**

**#2004-113 Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Sheriff’s Department #001-000-032**

**#2004-114 Authorizing An Emergency Appropriation In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County General Fund Coroner’s Office #001-017**

**#2004-115 A Resolution Establishing Planning And Building Permitting Fees For Grays Harbor County.**

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**#2004-116    A Resolution Of The Board Of County Commissioners, Grays Harbor County, State of Washington, Denouncing Discrimination On The Basis Of Race, Color, Religion, Gender, Sexual Orientation, Ethnic Background Or National Origin.**

**ORDINANCES**

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m. to Monday, December 20, 2004 at 2:00 p.m.

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

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BOB BEERBOWER, Commissioner, District 1

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DENNIS MORRISETTE, Chairman

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ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

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Donna Caton  
Clerk of the Board