

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

January 3, 2005

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, January 3, 2005, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Al Carter and Mike Wilson were present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board and James Baker, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Beerbower called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America being recited.

OATH OF OFFICE

1. Bob Beerbower: Vern Spatz, County Auditor, administered the Oath of Office to Bob Beerbower for the office of County Commissioner, District #1, Grays Harbor County.

2. Mike Wilson: Vern Spatz, County Auditor, administered the Oath of Office to Mike Wilson for the office of County Commissioner, District #2, Grays Harbor County.

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

A motion was made, seconded and passed to elect Bob Beerbower to serve as Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of December 20, 2004 were approved as presented.

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

None

PRESENTATIONS

None

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Joint Resolution 2004-001 of Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Pacific, and Wahkiakum Counties Filling Vacant House Position in 19th Legislative District:** The Clerk of the Board announced and acknowledged that the Commissioners passed **Joint Resolution No. 04-001 – of Cowlitz, Grays Harbor, Pacific and Wahkiakum Counties Filling Vacant House Position In 19th Legislative District.** The person appointed to fill the vacant position, as representative for the 19th Legislative District is Dean Takko.

DEPARTMENTS

AUDITOR

1. **Request Approval, Resolution Amendment – 2004 Tax Levy For Year 2005 Collections/Grays Harbor County Fire District No. 12:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-01 – Amending Resolution No. 2004-106, 2004 Tax Levy For Year 2005 Collections.** The County Commissioners have previously certified to the County Assessor taxes levied for county purposes and taxes for each city or other junior taxing district in accordance with RCW 54.52.070. This resolution is necessary to meet the intent of Grays Harbor County Fire District No. 12 tax levy resolution authorizing their property tax levy for the year 2005. The County Assessor shall extend the tax rates and amounts upon the tax rolls, subject to limitations imposed by law, in a manner and form prescribed by statute.

PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT

1. **Request Approval, Accept Contact as Complete for Satsop Development, Lambert Road/Tower Blvd., C-96340-03, TA1728:** The Contractor, Wilder Construction Company has completed the Satsop Development, Lambert Road/Tower Blvd., C-96340-03, TA1728, contract. The total amount of the contract is \$1,656,536.97, which is 12.04% above the original bid. The Department of Public Services recommended acceptance of the contract, which would allow release of the Retainage as per Section 60.28, Revised Code of Washington. Copies of a Comparison of Quantities Sheet and a Material Certification were provided. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the contract as outlined and allow release of the Retainage as provided.

2. Request Approval, Agreement with Grays Harbor Communications E9-1-1 For Radio Equipment Maintenance: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2005 Agreement between Grays Harbor Communications E9-1-1 and the ER&R Division for radio equipment maintenance. An annual amount of \$75,000 will be paid by Grays Harbor Communication E9-1-1 for ER&R to service all two-way radio systems and associated electronics gear.

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

3. Request Approval, Set Hearing – Junction City Street Vacation – January 24, 2005: A motion was made, seconded and passed to set January 24, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. as the date of time for a public hearing to consider Junction City Street Vacation.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S):

None

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Clerk of the Board announced the following correspondence received:

Grays Harbor Fire District #7 Commissioners, First Responders, EMT's and Firefighters, submitted a letter and petition regarding concerns about the "Lag in Response Time" to any person in need of medical assistance on the beach at the northern area of Copalis Beach and supporting a bridge being constructed at one of the beach approaches. The petition was forwarded to the Public Services Department.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Jay Sterling, resident of Montesano, commented on the street vacation petition involving Junction City Development. Mr. Sterling reported that he has spoken with numerous individuals regarding the issue and that people want jobs and support the mill. Mr. Sterling commented that if a decision is made to vacate Daniels Street that it would be appealed. He explained why he believes that it is not in the best interest of the public to vacate Daniels Street.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, January 3, 2005, 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 Debbie Adolphsen, Fair Director; Claudia Kallas, Deputy Assessor; Rose Elway, Budget Director; Paul Easter, Director of the Department of Public Services.

RESOLUTIONS

**#2005-01 Amending Resolution No. 2004-106, 2004 Tax Levy For Year 2005
Collections**

ORDINANCES

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m. to Monday, January 10, 2005 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
for Grays Harbor County
this _____ day of _____, 2005

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman
Commissioner, District 1

MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board