

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

July 11, 2005

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, July 11, 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. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was excused.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

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

MINUTES

June 27, 2005: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of June 27, 2005 were approved as presented.

PRESENTATION

None

PROCLAMATION

None

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

None

COMMISSIONERS

None

DEPARTMENTS

AUDITOR

1. **Request Approval, June Expenditure Reports:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Payroll and Payable for the month of June 2005. Total Claims -- \$4,686,186.28. Total Salary -- \$2,082,972.20 for a monthly total of \$6,769,158.48.

CLERK

1. **Request Approval, Resolution Increasing Courthouse Facilitator Surcharge/User Fee:** RCW 26.12.240 has been changed to allow the courthouse facilitator program to increase its surcharge/user fee to a maximum of \$20. If the resolution is approved, the fee increase would take effect July 25, 2005. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-61 – Increasing the Surcharge/User Fee For The Courthouse Facilitator Program Within The Grays Harbor County Clerk’s Department #001-000-014.**

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, DSHS Agreement – Juvenile Accountability Block Grant:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Chairman to sign a County Program Agreement between Grays Harbor County and the Department of Social and Health Services for a Juvenile Accountability Block Grant. This grant in the amount of \$10,611 will provide professional services for a family social services therapist for the prevention of juvenile delinquency. The Juvenile Department recommended approval of the agreement.

2. **Request Approval, Resolution – Interfund Loan:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-62 – Loaning Funds From Fund #117 Landfill Post-Closure Fund To Fund #001-038 General Fund – Non-Departmental.** This resolution allows an interfund loan of \$66,000 from Fund #117 Landfill Post-Closure Fund to the General Fund #001 with loan principal and interest payments amortized for 8 annual payments of \$9,403. The loan allows the purchase of the caretaker modular at the Vance Creek Park.

3. **Request Approval, Budget Transfer General Fund Non-Departmental:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-63 – Transferring Items In The Grays Harbor County General Fund Non-Departmental**

#001-000-038. This resolution allows an adjustment to be made within the budget of the Grays Harbor County General Fund, Non-Departmental #001-000-038 in the amount of \$66,000. The transfer allows the purchase of the Vance Creek Park Modular.

4. Request Approval, Resolution – Budget Transfer Amending Fund #117

Landfill Post-Closure Fund: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-64 – Transferring Items In The Grays Harbor County Aberdeen Landfill Post-Closure Fund #117-000-000.** This resolution allows an adjustment to be made within the budget of the Grays Harbor County Miscellaneous Funds, Aberdeen Landfill Post-Closure Fund #117-000-000 in the amount of \$66,000. The transfer allows the purchase of the Vance Creek Park Modular.

5. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Emergency Budget Prosecutor’s

Office: July 25, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for an Emergency Budget Hearing for the Prosecutor’s Office in the amount of \$10,000 for Professional Services to cover several upcoming trials that will require expert testimony.

6. Request Approval, Modification of Agreement With USDA Forest Service &

GHC Noxious Weed Control Board: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Modification to the Participating Agreement between the USDA Forest Service, Olympic National Forest and the Grays Harbor County Noxious Weed Control Board. This project will focus on minimizing the introduction of noxious weeds and the identification and control of existing populations of non-native plants with a potential of spreading to Forest Service Land. An educational component will target residents and seasonal visitors. The shore of Lake Quinault will also be monitored to prevent weeds from spreading along the waterway. Funding of \$22,171 will be spent to train and direct Washington Conservation Corps youth to identify and control these plants and education and outreach for residents and visitors to include news articles, pocket field guides, photo placemats, presentations, displays, and web page information. This additional funding was put into the 2005 budget.

7. Request Approval, Amendment B to the State E-911 Contract:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Board Chairman to sign Amendment B to the State E-911 Contract E05-040. The Wireline Amendment increases Computer Aided Dispatch and Maintenance to the contract amount by \$12,144.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Easement Executed by Weyerhaeuser for a Cul-De-Sac

on Keys Road South: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve two partially executed duplicate originals of an easement, executed by Weyerhaeuser, for a cul-de-sac on Keys Road South – C.R.P. 64770-01.

2. Request Approval, Accept Contract – 2005 Countywide Aggregate Stockpiling Contract: The contractor, Martin Sand and Gravel, Inc., has completed the 2005 Countywide Aggregate Stockpiling Contract. The Department of Public Services recommended acceptance of the contract, which would allow the release of \$969.69 as per Section 60.28 Revised Code of Washington. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the contract as outlined.

3. Request Approval, Amended Right-of-Way Deed – Lambert County Road: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amended right-of-way deed for the Lambert County Road – C.R.P. 96340-07. The Department of Public Services recommended acceptance and approval of the right-of-way deed as described.

4. Request Approval, Addressing System Approval – Seabrook Development: Ordinance 337 that was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on June 27, 2005, allows, in part, for adjustments in private roadways names within Planned Unit Developments (PUD). The Department of Public Services requested final approval by the Board of County Commissioners to allow for a deviation from the strict compliance with the requirements to label a private street or way as a *Lane* in the E9-1-1 addressing system for all roadways within the Seabrook development. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the proposed roadway name change as outlined.

5. Request Approval, Authorize Public Works Director to Sign Purchase/Sale Agreement – Vance Creek Park Residence: On June 27, 2005, the Board of County Commissioners authorized the purchase of the modular home located at Vance Creek Park for \$63,000 with funding to be provided from an interfund loan. The Department of Public Services requested authorization for Director of Public Services, Paul Easter, to sign the Purchase/Sale Agreement and other necessary documents that will facilitate the purchase and transfer of ownership to the County. The Prosecutor's Office has reviewed and approved the Purchase/Sale Agreement. A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Paul Easter to sign the Purchase/Sale Agreement as described.

6. Request Approval, Reject Bids – Tower Blvd/Technology Way: Two bids were received on June 27, 2005. The lowest bid was 39% over estimate. Prices are too high and funds are not presently available to accommodate this unanticipated increase. The Department of Public Services recommended that all bids be rejected, and requested

authorization to again call for bids when the bidding climate is more favorable. It is anticipated the bid call will be in December, for bid opening in January, dates to be determined at a later date. A motion was made, seconded and passed to reject all bids for the Tower Blvd/Technology Way, Et Al – C-96320-01 and grant authorization to again call for bids as outlined.

7. Request Approval, Contract – Washington State Emergency Management Division – 2005 Homeland Security Grant Program: A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the 2005 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSGP) Contract #E06-020. The contract agreement with the Washington State Emergency Management Division is in the amount of \$154,140. The funds from this grant will be used to continue the purchase of interoperable communication equipment for first responders countywide. The Department of Public Services recommended approval of the contract agreement.

8. Request Approval, CRP Resolution & Landowners Willingness – Upper Wishkah Road Paving & Sediment Control: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a CRP Resolution and a Landowners Willingness Form. These documents commit \$112,500 of Local Funds and are required to apply for a \$300,000 Salmon Recovery Funding Board (SRFB) Grant. The Department of Public Services recommended these documents be signed so that the SRFB Grant Application can be submitted for consideration.

9. Request Approval, Extend Agreement With Department of Ecology – Hogan’s Corner Water Rights Project: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Hogan’s Corner Water Rights Project Contract Amendment For Time Extension. This amendment will allow for a time extension to extend the agreement with Ecology to the end of September so that their consultant can complete the water rights permitting process. This is a no-cost extension. The Department of Public Services recommended approval of the amendment.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Beerbower asked for public comment. Ed Moore, resident of Aberdeen, commented on the Supreme Court decision regarding imminent domain. Mr. Moore asked if Grays Harbor County has a policy on the issue. If there is a policy he requested a copy. Chairman Beerbower referred Mr. Moore to the Department of Public Services, Planning and Building Department.

Tim Hamilton, resident of Elma-Hicklin Road, McCleary, reported that he represents a group of people called Friends of McCleary. Mr. Hamilton commented on a proposed 350 housing development near his home. He reported that development in East Grays Harbor near McCleary is at an all time high. The decision on how East Grays Harbor County is developed is important to “Friends of McCleary” and they want to maintain their quality of life.

Tom Fite, resident of Olympia, spoke on the ORV Park. Mr. Fite proposed opening the ORV Park for 30-days in September. He explained that opening the park for 30-days would satisfy the operation permit and guarantee that it does not go away. It would allow an opportunity to evaluate how the park is operated and what takes place at an ORV Park. At the end of 30-days the park can be closed. Mr. Fite reported that the money is available for the operation of the park. He commented on the risk involved and the recreational immunity laws and how they apply to the situation. Mr. Fite submitted copies of the recreational immunity laws and case laws. He explained the procedure used to protect the City of Olympia regarding their skateboard parks. The City of Richland operates their ORV Park under the same circumstances. They do not charge a day use fee and they are protected. Mr. Fite summarized and stated that they are trying to find a responsible way for Grays Harbor County to open the park and manage the facility. There was no additional public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, July 11, 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 Rose Elway, Budget Director, Cheryl Brown, County Clerk, and Brian Shea and Paul Easter, Department of Public Services.

RESOLUTIONS

- No. 2005-61 Increasing The Surcharge/User Fee For The Courthouse
Facilitator Program Within The Grays Harbor County Clerk's
Department #001-000-014**
- No. 2005-62 Loaning Funds From Fund #117 Landfill Post-Closure Fund
To Fund #001-038 General Fund – Non-Departmental**
- No. 2005-63 Transferring Items In The Grays Harbor County General
Fund Non-Departmental #001-000-038**
- No. 2005-64 Transferring Items In The Grays Harbor County Aberdeen
Landfill Post-Closure Fund #117-000-000**

ORDINANCES

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m. to Monday, July18, 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