

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

July 18, 2005

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, July 18, 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. Jennifer Wieland, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present.

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

July 11, 2005: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of July 11, 2005 were approved as presented.

PRESENTATION

None

PROCLAMATION

None

BIDS

1. **Ocean Beach Road DeKay Curve Realignment:** There was a bid opening for the construction of the following project: Ocean Beach Road DeKay Curve Realignment, M.P. 2.5 to M.P. 2.8, C-94230-36, STPH-0141 (007). The work to be performed under this contract provides for the realignment of 0.30 miles of Ocean Beach Road in Grays Harbor County. The new construction will include grading, surfacing, guardrail, drainage, paving, traffic control, and other work, all in accordance with the plans and specifications. Plans and specifications were available from the Grays Harbor County Public Services Department, Administration Building, 100 West Broadway, Suite 31, Montesano, Washington. Notice of this project was advertised in the *Montesano Vidette* on June 30 and July 7, 2005. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

1.	Trimaxx Construction, Sedro-Woolley, WA	\$1,236,926.50
2.	Quigg Brothers, Inc., Aberdeen, WA	\$1,132,189.00
3.	Rognlin's Inc., Aberdeen, WA	\$1,132,498.50

Chairman Beerbower referred the bids to the Department of Public Services for review and recommendation.

HEARINGS

1. Variance from Subdivision Road Standards – Applicant Joe Tornquist:

There was a public hearing to consider the following: Joe Tornquist has submitted an application for a variance from the Subdivision Road Standards per Ordinance #190. The project is proposed at 195 Tornquist Road, on the property having Assessor's parcel #180406410020, approximately two miles Northeast of McCleary, within the Northeast quarter of the Southeast quarter of Section 6, Township 18N., Range 4 W.W.M., Grays Harbor County. Notice of this hearing was advertised in the *Montesano Vidette* on July 7, 2005. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Suresh Bhagavan, Grays Harbor County Planner, provided a staff report. Mr. Bhagavan reported that prior to this hearing the Board of County Commissioners and the applicant received the following materials and requested that they be entered into the record, by reference, without reading:

1. Staff report containing the Findings of Fact, Conclusions, and Staff recommendations.
2. Application and letter.
3. Subdivision Plan.
4. Vicinity Map.
5. Notice of Public Hearing, and list of property owners receiving the notice.
6. Letter received from McCleary Volunteer Fire Department.

Staff recommended that the Findings of Fact and Conclusion for Case #2005-1082 be approved as written. Staff recommended approval of Case #2005-1082.

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Joe Tornquist, resident of 195 Tornquist Road, provided information regarding his intentions with regard to his property. Mr. Tornquist reported that his family homesteaded the property in 1898 and direct descendents have lived on the property since this time. There is no intention of selling the property. Mr. Tornquist reported that his daughter and her family would like to build a home on the property. Mr. Tornquist reported that the McCleary Volunteer

Fire Department has visited the property and observed the bridge and access road located at the end of Tornquist Road to determine if fire equipment could be deployed to the scene in case of an emergency. A letter was provided by Fred Keel, Chief of the McCleary Volunteer Fire Department. The letter states that it is his opinion that the bridge and roads leading to the property allow satisfactory access to fire equipment. There was no additional public comment and the hearing was closed.

? **Action: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Variance (Case #2005-1082) from the subdivision-road standards (Ordinance #190), specifically to maintain a 9-foot-wide bridge instead of the required 20-foot wide bridge, and to construct a 12-foot-wide road instead of the required 20-foot-wide subdivision-road.**

2. **Vacate Right of Way – Blakely Street – Applicant Don Reams:** There was a public hearing to consider an application submitted by Don Reams to vacate the right of way of Blakely Street that is adjacent to his property, parcel #170705240050. Notice of the hearing was published in the *Montesano Vidette* on June 23 and July 7, 2005. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Paul Easter, Director of the Department of Public Services, reported that Mr. Reams has petitioned to vacate the right of way of unopened Blakely Street that is adjacent to his property. Vacating the right of way will allow Mr. Reams more room to build a shop. Vacating the right of way will not land lock any adjacent property, nor does it lead to a body of water. Mr. Easter reported that the Department recommended the Order of Vacation be approved and the right of way be placed back on the tax rolls. The application fee of one hundred fifty dollars (\$150.00) and the fifty- percent (50%) appraised value of one thousand two hundred fifty dollars (\$1,250.00) have been paid.

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed.

? **Action: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 2005-68 – Order of Vacation – In The Matter Of Vacating The Right Of Way Of Blakely Street Adjacent To Tax 48, Parcel #170705240050 Located In Section 5 Township 17N Range WWM.**

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Resolution – Establishing A Veteran Advisory Board And Setting Policies**

For Administering The Veteran Relief Fund: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-65 – A Resolution Establishing the *Veteran Advisory Board* And Setting The Policies For Administering Fund #114, The Veteran Relief Fund.**

DEPARTMENTS

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Resolution To Establish Fund #145-000-000, Homeless Housing Program: The Washington State legislature established a \$10 surcharge effective August 1, 2005 for each document recorded by the County Auditor with 60% to be retained by the County for a Homeless Housing Program. 6% of the County portion may be used for administrative costs related to the local homeless housing program. The remainder of the County portion must be used for local programs and projects directly related to the goals outlined in the County's 10 year strategy plan to reduce homelessness and include 1) shelter expansion 2) homeless supportive services 3) eviction prevention programs and 4) supportive and transitional housing. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-66 – Establishing Fund #145-000-000 Homeless Housing Program.**

2. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Supplemental Budget Special Projects Fund: August 1, 2005 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a Supplemental Budget hearing in the amount of \$35,709 in the Special Projects Fund due to an Interagency Agreement between the Washington State Patrol and Grays Harbor County to provide equipment to local law enforcement for the purpose of detecting, deterring, disrupting and preventing acts of terrorism. This is a subgrant of Department of Homeland Security Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP).

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Mental Health Contract Amendments: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the following five amendments and contracts for provision of mental health services. All of these agreements involve funding from the state contract.

- a. Evergreen Counseling Center's contract is extended through August 31, 2005 and \$742,771 is added to the contract.

- b. Behavioral Health Resource's contract is extended through August 31, 2005 and \$153,534 is added to the contract.
- c. Personal Service Providers is contracted to provide Mental Health Ombuds Services from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006 for \$34,000.
- d. The contract with Clark County for mental health data system services is increased by \$17,010 for implementation of an electronic medical records system.
- e. An agreement with Chelan-Douglas RSN for assistance with the data system is extended through August 31, 2005 and \$26,327 is added to the contract.

2. Request Approval, Amendment to Contract With State Department of Social & Health Services Mental Health Division: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County's contract with the State Department of Social and Health Services Mental Health Division. This amendment extends the current contract through August 31, 2005 and includes new requirements for Medicaid services to Medicaid clients. Additionally, state funding is added to serve non-Medicaid clients. The state funding added is \$390,926 for the additional two months and the Department expects approximately \$500,000 in Medicaid funding for the same period.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Consultant Agreement – Geotechnical Services for Wynoochee Wishkah Road Realignment Project: A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Board Chairman to sign two (2) original Standard Consultant Agreements for PanGEO, Inc. to provide geotechnical services and evaluations for the Wynoochee Wishkah Road Realignment Project. The Department recommended hiring PanGEO, Inc. and recommended approval of the agreement.

2. Request Approval, Surplus Vehicles: A motion was made, seconded and passed to declare the following equipment as surplus. This equipment was replaced in the normal replacement cycle and is no longer required by Grays Harbor County.

Vehicle #60 1999 Ford Crn Vic
Vin #2FAFP71W5XX171278, Min/Bid -- \$1,200

Vehicle #61 1998 Ford Crn Vic
Vin #2FAFP71W1WX128989, Min/Bid -- \$1,500

Vehicle #62 2001 Ford Crn Vic
Vin #2FAFP71W71X174111, Min/Bid -- \$1,800

Vehicle #67 1999 Ford Crn Vic
Vin #2FAFP71W3XX171280, Min/Bid -- \$1,200

Vehicle #94 1998 Ford Crn Vic
Vin #2FAFP71WOWX128997, Min/Bid -- \$1,500

Vehicle #132 1998 Dodge Ram 2500
Vin #3B7KC26Z6WM268252, Min/Bid -- \$2,000

3. Request Approval, Purchase Two Pre-Cast Concrete Buildings:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the purchase of two pre-cast concrete buildings from the 2005 radio shop budget. Buildings are on State Contract #09802. Total for delivered building is \$17,350.00 each.

4. Request Approval, Accept Reciprocal Maintenance Agreement With

W.S.D.O.T.: A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Board Chairman to sign the Reciprocal Maintenance Agreement – GMW-0032 between W.S.D.O.T. and the County.

5. Request Approval, Resolution To Vacate Right-Of-Ways – Applicants

Richard Kelly, David Mielke, and Gerald Luark: The Department received a petition to acknowledge vacation submitted by Richard Kelly, David Mielke and Gerald Luark. The petition to acknowledge vacation is for the following described right of way:

1. All of Seventh Street from SR 107 right of way to the Southside of Wood Street.
2. All of Wood Street from the East line of Mudgett Mountain Road to the West line of Eighth Street.
3. All of Eighth Street between Block 28 Lot 8 and Block 29 Lot 5 to the Southside of Wood Street.

It appears that these streets were never opened within the applicable time period therefore the County does not claim an interest. The Department has no objection to the Board of County Commissioners acknowledging the vacation that occurred by operation of law. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2005-67 – Acknowledging Vacation Of Right-Of-Way – In The Plat Of Melbourne Corrected Volume 3 Page 17 Records Of Grays Harbor County, Washington.**

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Beerbower asked for public comment. Jeanette Willis, PO Box 3346, McCleary, and neighbor to the ORV Park commented regarding the ORV Park. Ms. Willis commented that she has had 3 nice summers without the operation of the ORV Park. She requested that the Board of County Commissioners follow the actions of Thurston County who negotiated a \$30,000 grant from the IAC for the study of noise mitigation. Ms. Willis discussed controlling the noise and agreed that RCW 46.09 should be strictly enforced. She commented that well intended changes might not reduce the noise level. Ms. Willis discussed the location of the ORV Park and commented that the location is not good and should not be located in a rural residential area. Chairman Beerbower reported that there have been discussions with Thurston County regarding a noise ordinance. He commented that he plans to sit on a board created by Tim Sheldon to investigate noise issues related to an ORV Park. He is scheduled to attend the Risk Pool meeting in Richland and plans to look at the track in Richland. Chairman Beerbower explained that the Board is trying to do the best for residents and ORV users. He reported that the Board is scheduled to meet with the IAC on Wednesday, July 20th.

There was no additional public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, July 18, 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 Maryann Welch, Director of Public Health and Social Services and Paul Easter, Director of the Department of Public Services.

RESOLUTIONS

- No. 2005-65 A Resolution Establishing the *Veteran Advisory Board* And
Setting The Policies For Administering Fund #114, The
Veteran Relief Fund**
- No. 2005-66 Establishing Fund #145-000-000 Homeless Housing Program**
- No. 2005-67 Acknowledging Vacation Of Right-Of-Way – In The Plat Of
Melbourne Corrected Volume 3 Page 17 Records Of Grays
Harbor County, Washington**
- No. 2005-68 Order of Vacation – In The Matter Of Vacating The Right Of
Way Of Blakely Street Adjacent To Tax 48, Parcel
#170705240050 Located In Section 5 Township 17N Range
WWM**

ORDINANCES

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:32 p.m. to Monday, July 25, 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