

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

August 7, 2006

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, August 7, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Mike Wilson and Al Carter were present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Beerbower called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

MINUTES

July 31, 2006: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of July 31, 2006 were approved as presented.

BIDS

1. **Forestry – Pre-Commercial Thinning Project:** There was a bid opening for the job of Precommercial Thinning on portions of Grays Harbor County land. The precommercial thinning project is approximately 243 acres more or less. Notice of this bid was advertised in the *Montesano Vidette* on July 13, 20 and 27, 2006. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

Ramirez Reforestation, Inc., Chehalis, WA	\$23,541.84
Ramon Covonel Reforestation, Inc., Chehalis, WA	\$19,197.00
Sierra Reforestation, Inc., Tenino, WA	\$25,515.00

Chairman Beerbower referred the bids to the Forestry Department for review and recommendation.

HEARINGS

1. **Emergency Budget – Fair Department:** There was a public hearing to consider an Emergency Budget as follows: Fair Department #103-000-000 in the amount of \$42,000. Notice of this hearing was advertised in the *Montesano Vidette* on July 27, 2006. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Marilyn Lewis with the Budget Office, reported that the emergency budget hearing for \$42,000 is to cover miscellaneous expenses in the fair budget. Funding will be used in salaries and benefits, professional

services, repairs and maintenance and for construction of the 4-H Dog Barn. 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. 2006-75 – Authorizing An Emergency Appropriation In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County Miscellaneous Fund Fair Fund #103-000-000.

COMMISSIONERS:

- 1. Set hearing dates regarding operation of Grays Harbor Drainage District 2:** August 28, 2006 at 2:00 is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider an ordinance dissolving Grays Harbor County Drainage District No. 2.

DEPARTMENTS

AUDITOR

- 1. Request Approval, July Expenditures:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve July 2006 Month-End Expenditures as follows: Claims \$3,852,345.56 and Salaries \$2,159,820.17 for a total of \$6,012,165.73.

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- 1. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date, Supplemental Budget – Miscellaneous Cumulative Reserve Fund:** August 21, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a supplemental budget in the Miscellaneous Fund Cumulative Reserve Fund for \$345,000. Funds received from the investment interest and courthouse litigation insurance recovery will be used for payment of the courthouse bonds.
- 2. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date, Supplemental Budget – General Fund Extension Office:** August 21, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a supplemental budget in the General Fund Extension Office for \$6,866 due to Amendment No. 2 to the US Forest Service Quinault Weed grant. Funds will be used for salaries and benefits to continue with the weed program.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Amendment to County’s contract with Evergreen Counseling Center: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County’s contract with Evergreen Counseling Center. \$15,483 is added to provide for the development of a Consumer Clubhouse. The Clubhouse is expected to be operational in September.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Change Bid Opening Date On Purchase Of Three (3) One-Ton Cab & Chassis with Utility Bed Trucks: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a request to change the bid opening date for the purchase of three (3) one-ton cab and chassis with utility bed trucks from August 21, 2006 to September 11, 2006.

2. Request Approval, Local Agency Agreement Supplement #1 for Middle Satsop Road Boat Launch Curve Project: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve and authorize the Board Chair to sign two (2) copies of the Local Agency Agreement Supplement #1 for the Middle Satsop Road Boat Launch Curve Project. This agreement requests federal funds for the construction phase.

3. Request Approval, Emergency Management Preparedness Assistance Grant Contract: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Emergency Management Preparedness Assistance Grant Contract #E07-104 with the Washington State Military Department for \$52,300. This grant provides funding to the Division of Emergency Management in order to hire a consultant to assist in the development of Emergency Support Function Plans contained in the Grays Harbor County Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan.

4. Request Approval, Contract Documents for Brooklyn Road and DeKay Road, Bridge Construction Project: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve four (4) sets of contract documents for the Brooklyn Road and DeKay Road Bridge Construction Project. This project was awarded to the low bidder, Quigg Bros. Inc. of Aberdeen, Washington.

5. Request Approval, Resolution Acknowledging Vacation of Right of Way – Laura Lyons: The Department received a petition from Laura Lyons to acknowledge vacation of rights of way surrounding property she owns in Ocosta. The Department found no record of these rights of way having ever been opened within the applicable time period. The Department has no objection to the Board acknowledging these rights

of way having been automatically vacated by operation of law. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2006-76 – Resolution Acknowledging Vacation By Operation of Law – Laura Lyons**.

6. Request Approval, Resolution Acknowledging Vacation of Right of Way – George Fisher and John Lennon: The Department received a petition from George Fisher and John Lennon to acknowledge vacation of rights of way surrounding property they own in Ocosta. The Department found no record of these rights of way having ever been opened within the applicable time period. The Department has no objection to the Board acknowledging these rights of way having been automatically vacated by operation of law. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2006-77 – Resolution Acknowledging Vacation By Operation of Law – John Lennon and George Fisher**.

WEED CONTROL

1. Request Approval, Contract with the Quinault Indian Nation – Weed Eradication Services: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Services Agreement between the Grays Harbor County Noxious Weed Control Board and the Quinault Indian Nation. The agreement authorizes hiring a Quinault Indian Nation crew to treat Japanese knotweed at Lake Quinault. This project will be funded with Title II funds from the Secure Schools and Rural Self-Determination Act of 2000 not to exceed \$6000.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

None

CORRESPONDENCE

1. An e-mail dated August 6, 2006, was received from Stanley J. Trohimovich, 1521 Simpson Avenue, Aberdeen, Washington. The subject was Common Law and Constitutional Torts.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Ron Armstrong, 2633 US Highway 101, Hoquiam, Washington asked for an update regarding the changes in the rules for a road variance. Chairman Beerbower reported that staff is working on the issue.

Paul Harris, resident of Montesano, Washington, commented that several years ago union leaders appeared before the Board and asked that the County employ a minimum number of apprentices on public works projects. The request went through the public hearing process. Mr. Harris reported that since that time the state and the Department of Transportation have implemented the use of apprentices on projects. He asked that the County review the apprenticeship proposal for Grays Harbor County. Jim Baker, Prosecuting Attorney, reported that a public hearing would need to be advertised and held before an ordinance can be adopted. Chairman Beerbower reported that the Board would review the request.

There was no additional public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday August 7, 2006, 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 of Department of Public Services.

RESOLUTIONS

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| No. 2006-75 | Authorizing An Emergency Appropriation In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County Miscellaneous Fair Fund #103-000-000 |
| No. 2006-76 | Resolution Acknowledging Vacation By Operation of Law – Laura Lyons. |
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ORDINANCES

None

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:26 p.m. to Monday, August 14, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
For Grays Harbor County
This _____ day of _____, 2006

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman
Commissioner, District 1

MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board