

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

November 13, 2006

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, November 13, 2006, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower and Al Carter were present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board. James Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present. Commissioner Wilson was excused.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

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

MINUTES

November 6, 2006: The minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of November 6, 2006 were approved as presented.

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

1. Supplemental Budget – Fair Fund: There was a public hearing to consider Supplemental Budget as follows: Supplemental Budget Fair Fund #103-000-000 in the amount of \$60,000. Notice of the hearing was advertised in *The Montesano Vidette* on November 2 and 9, 2006. Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Debbie Adolphsen, Fair Manager, reported that the supplemental budget is in the amount of \$60,000 for the Fair Fund as a result of revenue from ticket sales and sponsorships. Funds will be used to cover the costs of entertainment from the fair, and to cover the cost of supplies and repairs and maintenance for the remainder of the year.

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. 2006-115 – Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County Fair Fund #103-000-000.

2. Open Space Application – Dennis & Marlene Muller: There was a public hearing to consider a request by Dennis and Marlene Muller for reclassification as Open Space for real property tax purposes of the Southeast of the Southeast of Section 1,

Township 18, Range 7 less a point East of the Middle Satsop Road less Tax Parcel 2 and Tax Parcel 3 less the Middle Satsop Road and Northeast of the Southeast of Section 1, Township 18, Range 9 lying Northerly and Westerly of the Middle Satsop Road less the Northerly 750-feet. Notice of the hearing was advertised in *The Montesano Vidette* on November 2, 2006.

Chairman Beerbower asked for a staff report. Brian Shea, Planning and Building Division Director, reported that this application is from Dennis and Marlene Muller, 963 Middle Satsop Road, Montesano, Washington and is for Open Space/Timber Land. The total acreage of parcel(s) is 22.5-acres and the acreage for this Open Space/Timber Land Classification request is 12.7-acres. The zoning for this property is General Development 5-Acre (G-5) Zoning District. The Grays Harbor County Comprehensive Plan Map Designation is General Development. Mr. Shea reported that the department reviews Open Space/Timber Land tax classification requests for consistency with Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 84.34 as outlined in the staff report. Mr. Shea reported that staff reviewed the United States Department of Agriculture Soil Survey of Grays Harbor County Area, Pacific County, and Wahkaikum County, Washington to determine what type of soils are located within the property and if those soils are considered prime farmland soils. The findings revealed that the application is consistent with not only the use of the soils for timber production but the property also contains soils that are considered to be a prime farmland soil. What the applicant is requesting and what the soil and land is best suited for are consistent. Mr. Shea reported that the Grays Harbor County Comprehensive Plan was reviewed in considering this application. The proposal is consistent with the Comprehensive Plan's Rural Element Policy RLS-102, which states that Grays Harbor County should promote appropriate land uses within suitable areas. Based on the information contained in the reclassification application and on the conclusions, it appears that the application, as presented, satisfies the considerations noted in Revised Code of Washington Chapter 84.34.041 as necessary for the approval of the reclassification request to open space forestland. Mr. Shea reported that the recommendation was to approve the Timber Land Classification request for the 12.7-acre portion of the 22.5-site, as presented in the Dennis Muller application received March 27, 2006, for Grays Harbor County Tax Parcel Numbers 180701440020 and 180701410030.

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 the Timber Land Classification request for the 12.7-acre portion of the 22.5-site, as presented in the

Dennis Muller application received March 27, 2006, for Grays Harbor County Tax Parcel Numbers 180701440020 and 180701410030.

The following item was added after the agenda was prepared.

PRESENTATION

Debbie Adolphsen – Fair: Debbie Adolphsen, Fair Manager, reported that she and other staff and fair board members attended the Washington State Fair Association Convention in Yakima. Ms. Adolphsen presented items from the fair competition in which Grays Harbor County won ribbons.

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – 2007 Budget:** December 4, 2006 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider adoption of the Grays Harbor County 2007 budget, and also consideration of Resolutions authorizing increases in General Expense Fund, Miscellaneous Funds, and Road Limit Factors for Grays Harbor County, per the requirements of RCW 84.55.
2. **Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Proposed Ordinance Regarding County Road Standards:** December 4, 2006 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a proposed ordinance to add a new chapter 12.02 to the County Code regarding County Road Standards.
3. **Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Proposed Ordinance Regarding An Amendment to GHCC Chapter 15.12 – Fire Apparatus Access Roads:** December 4, 2006 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a proposed ordinance to amend chapter 15.12 regarding Fire Apparatus Access Roads.
4. **Record Resolution 2006-114, Local Declaration of Emergency in Grays Harbor County:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2006-114 – Re: Local Declaration Of Emergency In Grays Harbor County.** This resolution was approved on November 7, 2006. The Grays Harbor County Division of Emergency Management has reported to the Board of County Commissioners events beginning on or about November 6, a series of rain and wind storms that have caused damage to public property/roadways, damage to private property, downed trees, slides and power outages in Grays Harbor County. Damage is still occurring to public property/roads and private property and persons and property are and may be in danger unless further efforts are taken to reduce the threat to life and property. There is an

emergency present, which necessitates activation of the Grays Harbor County Emergency Management Plan and utilization of emergency powers granted pursuant to 36.40.180 RCW.

The Board of County Commissioners recessed and convened to serve as Commissioners for Drainage District #2. The Board of Commissioners for Drainage District #2 took the following action:

- 1. Set Hearing Date – Consider the Annual Assessment Roll and Provide Notification as Directed in RCW 85.32.060:** A hearing date is required to consider the annual assessment roll and provide notification as directed in RCW 85.32.060 requiring a hearing with three advance publications of notice and mailing to property owners before the annual assessment roll is approved at the scheduled hearing. December 18, 2006 at the hour of 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for public hearing to consider the annual assessment roll.

The Commissioners adjourned the meeting of Grays Harbor County Drainage District #2 and reconvened as Board of County Commissioners.

DEPARTMENTS

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- 1. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Washington State Department of Community, Trade & Economic Development CDBG Public Services Block Grant:** December 4, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a Department of Community Trade and Economic Development 2007 CDBG Grant Application. The purpose of the grant is to provide core administrative support for necessary community projects benefiting low and moderate income persons and households.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1. Request Approval, Agreement with Indiana State University:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Agreement with Indiana State University. This will allow a nursing student to gain clinical experience while working under the supervision of a nurse practitioner.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Letter of Support – Grant Application Proposed by GH College to EPA’s Targeted Watershed Grant Program:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a letter supporting a grant application proposed by Grays Harbor College to EPA’s Targeted Watershed Grant Program. The proposal, enhancing water quality in the Chehalis River Basin using incentive based volunteer programs, aids with implementation of the Chehalis Basin Watershed Management Plan.

2. **Request Approval, To Purchase Materials, Hire Equipment and Labor Necessary to Make Emergency Road Repairs:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to grant authorization for the department to purchase materials, hire equipment and labor necessary to make emergency road repairs. The recent heavy rainfall has damaged the county road system.

ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

Grays Harbor County Board of Commissioners will not hold a regular meeting on November 27, 2006 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday.

CORRESPONDENCE

An e-mail was received from Stanley J. Trohimovich, Aberdeen, Washington and dated November 13, 2006. The subject was: Resetting email message for Commissioners’ November 13, 2006 meeting agenda and substituting this message for my original email message, which was sent on November 6, 2006 and its first revision. As part of the record the e-mail will be placed on file and made available to the public for review.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Beerbower asked for public comment. Ron Armstrong, Hoquiam, Washington reported that he has been in contact with Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecutor and he received a copy of the proposed ordinance. Mr. Armstrong commented regarding the hearing procedure.

There was no additional public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, November 13, 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; Tom Fite, Straddleline ORV Park, Lee Napier and Kevin Varness, Department of Public Services.

The Board approved the following resolutions:

RESOLUTIONS

No. 2006-114 Re: Local Declaration Of Emergency In Grays Harbor County

No. 2006-115 Authorizing A Supplemental Extension In The Budget Of The Grays Harbor County Fair Fund #103-000-000

ORDINANCES:

None

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS:

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:21 p.m. to Monday, November 20, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

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

BOB BEERBOWER, Chairman
Commissioner, District 1

excused

MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board