

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

February 5, 2007

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, February 5, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Al Carter and Mike Wilson were present. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present. Also in attendance was Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Carter called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance. There was a moment of silence in memory of Sergeant Mickel Garrigus of Elma who died serving his country.

MINUTES

January 29, 2007: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the Commissioners' Meeting of January 29, 2007.

BIDS

- Juvenile Court Indigent Conflict Defense:** The Clerk of the Board announced that there were no bids for this item.
- Road Equipment Pool:** There was a bid opening for the delivery of one (1) or more of the following: Medium size sedan, Rear wheel drive pursuit vehicle, Full size sport utility vehicle, Extended cab 4 x 4 pickup and Cab and chassis, 1 ton. Notice of this bid advertisement appeared in the *Montesano Vidette* on January 18 and 25, 2007. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

Four –door sedan, 2007 – Five Star, Aberdeen	\$18,312.45
	<u>1,574.87</u> taxes
	\$19,887.32
One Ton Cab and Chassis – Five Star, Aberdeen	\$24, 718.00
	<u>2,125.75</u> tax
	\$26,843.75
Four-wheel drive pursuit vehicle – Five Star, Aberdeen	\$24,623.00
	<u>2,117.58</u> taxes
	\$26,740.58

½ Ton extended 4 x 4 pickup – Five Star, Aberdeen	\$19,872.00
	<u>1,709.00</u> taxes
	\$21,581.00
Medium size sport utility vehicle – Five Star, Aberdeen	\$24,740.00
	<u>2,127.64</u> taxes
	\$26,867.64
Four –door sedan, 2007 – Whitney’s, Montesano	\$16,296.00
	125.00 fees
	<u>1,401.46</u> taxes
	\$17,822.46

The bids were referred to the Department of Public Services for review and recommendation.

3. 2007 Emulsified Asphalt: There was a bid opening for the following project: 2007 Emulsified Asphalt Supply Contract. The contemplated work to be performed under this contract consists of furnishing and hauling to various County locations the following: approximately 1600 tons of CRS-2P Emulsified Asphalt. Notice of this advertisement appeared in the *Montesano Vidette* on January 11 and 18, 2007. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

US Oil Trading LLC, Tacoma, WA	\$748,108.80
Paramount Petroleum Corp., Seattle, WA	\$739,148.00

The bids were referred to the Department of Public Services for review and recommendation.

4. Knuckle Crane: The Clerk of the Board announced that there were no bids for this item.

HEARINGS

None

PRESENTATIONS

1. Tourism – Debbie Adolphsen and Barb Smith: Debbie Adolphsen, director of Tourism reported that Grays Harbor Tourism experienced its best year in 2006. She thanked the Board for their support. Coordinator Barb Smith played a 30-second television ad that is currently being run. Ms. Smith provided background information

regarding Grays Harbor Tourism and a Distribution Report of the 3% Hotel/Motel Tax.

COMMISSIONERS

The Clerk of the Board announced that a bid was received for the Juvenile Court Indigent Conflict Defense and was delivered to Prosecuting Attorney Steward Menefee by the 2:00 p.m. deadline. He delivered the bid to the Clerk of the Board. This is the bid that was held over from two weeks ago. The application was received from Wheaton Law firm and Mr. Menefee recommended that it be awarded. A motion was made, seconded and passed to award the Juvenile Court Indigent Conflict Defense contract to Wheaton Law firm.

DEPARTMENTS

AUDITOR

1. **Request Approval, January 2007 Expenditures:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve expenditures for January 2007 as follows: Claims \$3,583,890.01 Salary \$2,279,679.65, for a total of \$5,863,569.66.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Interagency Agreement with Grays Harbor Transit for Emergency Bus Mobilization:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an agreement between the Division of Emergency Management and Grays Harbor Transit for Emergency Bus Mobilization. This agreement may be activated for emergencies/disasters as well as for emergency drills and training.

2. **Request Approval, Right-of-way deed – North River Road Emergency Project:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve one Right-of-Way deed for the North River Road emergency project. With this approval the County Surveyor will proceed with recording the document and finalizing this purchase.

3. **Request Approval, Amend agreement with Thurston County for funds from Dept. of Homeland Security:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the Agreement with Thurston County for funds from the Department of Homeland Security. The amendment changes the expiration date from January 31, 2007 to February 20, 2007.

4. **Request Approval, Resolution re-establishing bridge restrictions:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2007-12 – A Resolution Re-Establishing Bridge Restrictions.** The current bridge restrictions expire June 1, 2007.

This resolution establishes bridge restrictions until June 1, 2009. These bridges have been restricted by previous resolutions. The list of restricted bridges is based on the current condition of the bridge. Also included are those bridges that are adequate for legal loads, but not all permitted overloads. Upon adoption, this resolution will be advertised, the bridges posted with appropriate notices and necessary signing revisions and installations made.

5. Request Approval, Resolution Acknowledging Vacation of Rights of way in Ocosta as requested by Michael Whalen: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2007-13 – Resolution Acknowledging Vacation By Operation Of Law.** The Department received a petition from Michael Whalen to acknowledge vacation of rights of way surrounding property he owns in Ocosta. The Department found no record of these rights of way having ever been opened within the applicable time period. They have no objection to the Board acknowledging these rights of way having been automatically vacated by operation of law.

6. Request Approval, Interlocal Agreement with Washington State Energy Site Evaluation Council: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve three original copies of an Interlocal Agreement between Grays Harbor County and the Washington State Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council (EFSEC). This Agreement will authorize Grays Harbor County as the designated representative of EFSEC to conduct plan review and inspection services at Grays Harbor Energy's Satsop Combustion Turbine (CT) Project. This Agreement closely follows the 2002 agreement between the County and EFSEC for this project, and it features the elimination of several general conditions to facilitate the prompt completion of this project. This Interlocal Agreement has been reviewed and approved as-to-form by the Grays Harbor County Prosecuting Attorney's office.

7. Request Approval, Set Hearing Date – Appeal of right-of-way Use Permit Condition, Case 2006-2524, James & Cheryl Campbell, Wishkah Road: February 26, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider an appeal of the requirement contained in Grays Harbor County Right-of-Way Use Permit 2006-2529. The requirement at issue was to improve the unopened East Wishkah Road right-of-way to County Road Standards to allow for the subsequent construction of a single-family residence on property located adjacent to East Wishkah Road and north of the City of Aberdeen in unincorporated Grays Harbor County.

ANOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Carter asked for public comment. He announced that comments would be limited to five minutes.

Ray Damitio, Montesano, WA provided a status report on the Doo-Wop Rally. Mr. Damitio reported that all of the hotels in Aberdeen have been booked for the racing events scheduled for February 24 and 25, 2007. He provided a briefing report on upcoming motor sports events. Mr. Damitio expressed appreciation to the Board for their support of these events.

Ron Armstrong, Hoquiam, WA thanked the Board for the opportunity to make public comment. Mr. Armstrong discussed building code regulations passed by the County and commented on permit requirements and regulations.

Stanley Blunt, Aberdeen, WA commented on his property taxes and expressed appreciation to Commissioner Wilson for meeting with him. He commented on the contractor performing work on County property located at the Ocean Beach turn off on US 101.

There was no additional public comment.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, February 5, 2007, 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 Tami Garrow, CEO, Public Development Authority, Debbie Adolphsen, Director of Fair and Tourism, Mike Whelan, Sheriff and Paul Easter, Brian Shea, Kevin Varness, Russ Esses and Anne Sullivan of the Department of Public Services.

The Board approved the following:

RESOLUTIONS

No. 2007-12 A Resolution Re-Establishing Bridge Restrictions

No. 2007-13 A Resolution Acknowledging Vacation By Operation Of Law

ORDINANCES

None

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:49 p.m. to Monday, February 12, 2007 at 2:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
For Grays Harbor County
This _____ day of _____, 2007

ALBERT A. CARTER, Chairman
Commissioner, District 3

BOB BEERBOWER, Commissioner, District 1

MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board