

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

July 23, 2007

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, July 23, 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.

MINUTES

July 16, 2007: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 16, 2007.

PRESENTATION:

1. **Debbie Adolphsen, Fair Director:** Debbie Adolphsen, Fair Director officially invited the Board of County Commissioners to attend the annual 2007 County Fair. The opening ceremony is scheduled for August 8, 2007. The fair will be dedicated to Bill and Joan Martin.

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

None

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Resolutions – Veteran's Advisory Board:** The proposed resolutions make changes to the Veteran Advisory Board and a recommendation to adopt from the same Board. The Board has been in existence for 18 months and the proposed recommendations will improve the efficiency of their functions. The two new resolutions separate the operations of the Advisory Board from administration of the Veteran Relief Fund. The new resolution for the Advisory Board streamlines the process for appointing new members.

a. **Veteran’s Advisory Board**: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Grays Harbor County Resolution No. 2007-81– A Resolution Modifying the Veteran Advisory Board (VAB) Operating Rules and Separating the Policies for Administering Fund #114, the Veteran Relief Fund in a Separate Resolution.**

b. **Veteran Relief Fund**: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Grays Harbor County Resolution No. 2007-82 – A Resolution Establishing the Policies and Rules for Administering the Veteran Assistance Grant Program for Fund #114, the Veteran Relief Fund into a Separate Resolution.**

2. **Concur with Pacific County’s re-appointment of Bob Hall to Timberland Regional Library Board**: A motion was made, seconded and passed to concur with Pacific County Commissioners in the appointment of Bob Hall as their representative to the Timberland Regional Library Board of Trustees. This term ends December 31, 2014.

DEPARTMENTS

FORESTRY

1. **Request Approval, Accept contract as complete and release performance bond – Timber Contract Powell Road No. 1**: Sierra Pacific Industries has satisfactorily completed all the terms and conditions of the contract for the Powell Road No. 1 timber sale. The department recommended that the County accept the contract as complete and release the performance bond as posted by Sierra Pacific Industries for this sale. A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the contract for Powell Road No. 1 timber sale as complete and release the performance bond as posted by Sierra Pacific Industries for this sale.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Contract with State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development**: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a contract between the County and the State Department of Community, Trade and Economic Development (CTED). CTED is providing \$52,456 for this coming year to target reductions of substance abuse. This money will support high school Prevention Teams, fund the Parenting and Family Programs and partially fund the Department’s Youth Development Program. Programs will be implemented in partnership with local schools, Child Protective Services, Harbor After School and Grays Harbor College.

2. Request Approval, Program Agreement with DSHS Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Program Agreement between the County and the DSHS Division of Alcohol and Substance Abuse for Treatment and Prevention Services for the 2007– 2009 Biennium. The total amount available is \$2,204,100. Of this total \$295,390 is federal funding and the balance is state funding.

3. Request Approval, Amend Agreements with State DSHS Division of Mental Health:

a. Medicaid funded services: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County contract with the State DSHS Mental Health Division for Medicaid funded services.

b. State funded services: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the County contract with the State DSHS Mental Health Division for State-funded services.

The amendments add a total of \$123,758 to implement a legislated direct care mental health worker wage increase. The additional funds will be provided to local providers.

4. Request Approval, Amend contracts for mental health services:

a. Behavioral Health Resources: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Amendment to the County's contract with Behavioral Health Resources for mental health services. \$4,640.85 is added to the contract to increase direct care worker wages per legislative budget proviso.

b. Evergreen Counseling Center: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Amendment to the County's contract with Evergreen Counseling Center (ECC) for mental health services. \$33,498.15 is added to the contract to increase direct care worker wages per legislative budget proviso.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Contract Documents – North River Road Culvert Replacement: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve four (4) sets of contract documents for the North River Road Culvert Replacement project, M.P. 8.26, C-

96130-33, which was awarded to the low bidder, Rognlin's Inc. of Aberdeen, Washington. The department recommended approval of this contract.

2. Request Approval, Set hearing date – Community Development Block Grant Application: August 6, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider a Community Development Block Grant Application and to review community development and housing needs, inform citizens of the availability of funds and eligible uses of the state Community Development Block Grant and receive comments on proposed activities, particularly from low and moderate income persons.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chairman Carter asked for public comment. He announced that comments and statements only would be accepted and would be limited to five minutes. Questions should be submitted in writing.

Jeff Bowers, President of Bowers Construction expressed concerns with issues involving the Planning and Building Department.

Frank Michael from Eastern Washington reported that he has put in a manufacturing plant in the Satsop Development Park. Mr. Michael reiterated comments made by Jeff Bowers. He reported similar problems with the County Planning and Building Department.

Ron Armstrong, Hoquiam, Washington made comments supporting reports from Jeff Bowers and Frank Michael.

Paul Easter, Director of Public Services made comments regarding the Planning and Building Department and their policy and procedures.

There was no additional public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Chairman Carter announced that the Board would recess from their regular meeting for an Executive Session to discuss personnel issues. The Board recessed at 2:46 p.m. to executive session for approximately fifteen minutes. At 2:58 p.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. Chairman Carter announced that no decisions were made and no action was taken.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, July 23, 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 Jim Arthur and Paul Easter and Maryann Welch, Department of Public Health and Social Services.

The Board approved the following:

RESOLUTIONS

- No. 2007-81 A Resolution Modifying the Veteran Advisory Board (VAB) Operating Rules and Separating the Policies for Administering Fund #114, the Veteran Relief Fund in a Separate Resolution.**
- No. 2007-82 A Resolution Establishing the Policies and Rules for Administering the Veteran Assistance Grant Program for Fund #114, the Veteran Relief Fund into a Separate Resolution.**

ORDINANCES

None

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m. to Monday, July 30, 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