

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

September 17, 2007

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, September 17, 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

September 10, 2007: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 10, 2007.

The Clerk of the Board announced the following item received after the agenda was prepared:

Bid Proposals – Indigent Defense short-term contracts: Stew Menefee, Prosecuting Attorney requested that the following bid proposals for short-term indigent defense contracts be acknowledged as received:

Tamara Darst
Katherine Davis-Delaney
Kyle Imler
Robert Ehrhardt

These contracts were remanded to the judges for review and recommendation.

PRESENTATION

None

BIDS

None

HEARINGS

None

COMMISSIONERS

None

DEPARTMENTS

AUDITOR

1. **Request Approval, Resolution canceling warrants:** This item was removed from the agenda.

FORESTRY

1. **Request Approval, Real Estate Purchase Agreement:** To facilitate the construction of the Stafford Creek Correctional Facility and in cooperation with the Washington State Department of Corrections, Grays Harbor County sold 80 acres of timberlands to the State of Washington upon which the prison was built. At that time, the board of County Commissioners directed the Forestry Department to actively explore opportunities to replace this land, which was sold to the state. The Forestry Department proposed that the County acquire a 38-acre parcel that has become available which is located west of the prison site. This parcel currently supports a 21-year-old stand of Douglas Fir. The land is situated directly adjacent to another small tract of County land and together they make a block of prime timberland. The property has been professionally appraised and fair market value has been determined to be \$145,000. The owners have agreed to accept this amount for the purchase of the parcel. The Department of Forestry recommended that the county acquire this parcel at the appraised fair market value. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Real Estate Purchase Agreement as prepared for this purpose.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Mental Health Services funding contracts:**
 - A. **Washington State Department of Social and Health Services for state funds:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an agreement with the State DSHS/MHD for mental health services. This agreement will be effective October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2009. The contract for state funds allocates \$1,515,876 over a 21-month period.

Of this amount, \$1,171,788 in base funding will be used for crisis services to non-medicaid consumers. \$351,078 is earmarked for specific purposes. The base funding remains level with the past fiscal year.

B. Washington State Department of Social and Health Services for Medicaid funds: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an agreement with the State DSHS/MHD for mental health services. This agreement will be effective October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2009. The contract for Medicaid funding will be paid to the department at established rates for four different categories of Medicaid-eligible residents and will result in approximately \$8,700,000 over the 21-month period. This is projected to be approximately \$100,000 more than the past fiscal year.

The total funding provided in these agreements will be used to provide necessary administrative, crisis, community and hospital services as outlined in the contract requirements.

2. Request Approval, Contract with Sea Mar Community Health Center: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a contract with Sea Mar Community Health Centers for both mental health and chemical dependency services. The contract provides \$160,000 for community supports for Medicaid-eligible persons who have a medical necessity for mental health services. Sea Mar will employ two health professionals and utilize their psychiatrist and psychiatric nurse practitioner to serve approximately 100 clients. Sea Mar expects to begin client services September 24th. Additionally, Sea Mar will use \$39,545 to provide chemical dependency out-patient treatment services. In both mental health and chemical dependency services, Sea Mar will focus on people who are already receiving primary care services through their clinic.

3. Request Approval, Intergovernmental contract with Clark County Health Department: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an amendment to the 2007 Interlocal Agreement between Grays Harbor County and Clark County Health Department, which is the lead agency for Region VI Omnibus AIDS funding. The Agreement provides an additional \$696. The bulk of this funding is used to support the Syringe Exchange Program that targets populations at high risk of developing HIV/AIDS.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Interagency Agreement with Grays Harbor College: A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve an Agreement between Grays Harbor College and Grays Harbor County. The agreement describes the need for professional services to assist the County with implementation and coordination of the recycling

program portion of the solid waste plan. The College currently has the appropriate resources to provide service to the County.

2. Request Approval, Road Closure of County Line Road between Cranberry Road and State Route 101: A motion was made, seconded and passed to grant authorization to Pacific County Drainage District to close County Line Road between Cranberry Road and State Route 101 for approximately two (2) days to replace a deficient drainage culvert. There are two (2) alternate routes available, each adding less than ½ mile of travel to State Route 105.

CONVENE AS BOARD OF HEALTH:

1. Board of Health: Request Approval, Set hearing date of October 18, 2007 for the Board of Health to consider an ordinance amending Ordinances 204 and 233 and Chapter 8.16 to adopt local provisions of the on-site sewer regulations: A motion was made, seconded and passed to set October 18, 2007 as the date for a Board of Health hearing to review an ordinance amending Ordinances 204 and 233 and Chapter 8.16 to adopt local provisions of the on-site sewer regulations under Washington Administrative Code Chapter 246-272A.

The Board adjourned from the Board of Health and reconvened as the Board of County Commissioners to continue with the regular meeting.

TREASURER

1. Request Approval, Resolution amending Resolution 2007-56, setting time and place for sale of real property pursuant to the real estate tax foreclosure: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2007-100 – Resolution Amending Setting the Time and Place for the Sale of Real Property Pursuant to the Real Estate Tax Foreclosure.** This resolution amends Resolution No. 2007-56 setting the location of the real property foreclosure sale to a site chosen by the Grays Harbor County Treasurer at the hour of 9 o'clock in the morning in Montesano, Washington on such a Friday and in an appropriate room as the Treasurer may determine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Claim (C-542-07) received from Jodie Derek Gragg. This item was referred to the Claims Review Committee for consideration and recommendation.

2. Claim (C-543-07) received from E. Renee Renninger and Norm Byars. This item was referred to the Claims Review Committee for consideration and recommendation.
3. May and June 2007 Monthly reports were received from the Coroner's office.

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.

Stan Blunt, Aberdeen, distributed a handout regarding Sea Mar Community Health Centers and a Fact Sheet regarding ICE Immigration Enforcement Initiatives.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, September 17, 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 Maryann Welch, Public Health and Social Services Director; and Paul Easter, Public Services Director.

The Board approved the following:

RESOLUTIONS

No. 2007-100 Resolution Amending Setting the Time and Place for the Sale of Real Property Pursuant to the Real Estate Tax Foreclosure

ORDINANCES

None

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

2007 Interlocal Agreement – Clark County Health Department

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m. to Monday, September 24, 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