

## MINUTES

### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

October 8, 2007

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, October 8, 2007, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Bob Beerbower, Al Carter and Mike Wilson were present. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was excused. 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**

**October 1, 2007:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 1, 2007.

#### **PROCLAMATION:**

None

#### **BIDS**

1. **Fairgrounds Dog Barn HVAC Improvements:** There was a bid opening for a general construction contract, which includes mechanical construction for Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds Dog Barn HVAC Improvements. Bid documents were available by contacting the office of the LNS Engineers, Inc. located at 7713 Pioneer Way, Gig Harbor, Washington. Interested contractors could contact Dennis Selberg, Grays Harbor County Facility Services Department to make arrangements to tour the project site. Notice of the invitation to bid was advertised in *The Montesano Vidette* on September 27 and October 4, 2007. The Clerk of the Board opened and read the following bids received with bid bond attached:

Sunset Air, Inc., Lacey, WA	\$43,300
Harbor Ventilation, Aberdeen, WA	\$33,174
Capital Heating and Cooling, Lacey, WA	\$37,000

Chairman Carter referred the bids to the Department of Public Services for review and recommendation.

## **HEARINGS**

None

## **COMMISSIONERS**

None

## **DEPARTMENTS**

### **AUDITOR**

1. **Request Approval, September Expenditures:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve expenditures for September 2007 as follows: Claims \$4,549,619.79 and Salary \$2,282,658.68 for a total of \$6,832,276.47.
2. **Request Approval, Resolution to Cancel Warrants:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2007-107 – Cancellation of Warrants.** This resolution allows for warrants not presented within one year of issue to be cancelled and records adjusted leaving the originating funds as if the warrants had never been drawn per RCW 39.56.040.

## **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

1. **Request Approval, Set hearing date of November 19, 2007 to set the 2008 property tax levy:** November 19, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time for a hearing to consider the 2008 Grays Harbor County property tax levy for the General Fund, Road Fund, and Pacific Beach/Moclips Water System Bond Fund.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

1. **Request Approval, Agreement with Washington State DSHS Mental Health Division for Mental Health Block Grant funds:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Agreement between the County and the State DSHS Mental Health Division for Mental Health Block Grant funds. The allocation is for \$66,096 for one year. This federal money is meant to be used for purposes not covered by Medicaid dollars. For the coming year plans are to use this money for flex funds, both at the Department level and at the provider level. Flex funds can be used to provide housing, obtain education, clothing and to meet other consumer needs that will assist in reaching treatment goals. Additionally, various trainings will be funded including crisis intervention training for law enforcement and corrections, suicide prevention training and recovery training for provider staff.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

1. **Request Approval, Joint Funding Agreement with USGS:** A motion was made, seconded, and passed to approve an agreement which provides for funding between Grays Harbor County and USGS for the operation and maintenance of the Humptulips River Stream Gaging Station. The total cost of the program for the period October 1, 2007 through September 30, 2008 is \$15,900. Grays Harbor County will be responsible for \$8,210.
  
2. **Request Approval, Grisdale Road Wetland Mitigation CRP Resolution:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Grisdale Road Wetland Mitigation CRP Resolution. Grays Harbor County is responsible for purchasing 10-acres of forest property to be used as a wetland mitigation and conservation area for the Grisdale Road Reconstruction Project. The estimated cost for this work is \$70,000. Federal Highway will reimburse the County for these costs.
  
3. **Request Approval, 2007 Countywide Aggregate Stockpiling Contract Retainage Release:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept the 2007 Countywide Aggregate Stockpiling Contract as completed. The contractor, Northwest Rock, Inc., has completed the above-noted contract. The department recommended acceptance of the contract by the Board of Commissioners, which would allow release of retainage in the amount of \$9,902.60 as per Section 60.28, Revised Code of Washington.
  
4. **Request Approval, Declare Vehicles/Equipment Surplus:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the request to declare the following vehicle surplus and sold at auction with a minimum bid price as follows:  
  
#136 1994 Chevrolet ¾ ton pickup VIN 1GCGC24K7RE271425 – min bid \$1,500.00
  
5. **Request Approval, Set October 29, 2007 to hear appeal of State Environmental Policy Act Determination:**

a. **Applicant – Civil Investments LLC:** October 29, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing for Grays Harbor County SEPA Appeal Case 2007-2294. Civil Investments LLC applied for Subdivision Case 2006-1318 on June 28, 2006. The application is located within the area subject to the County's Wildcat Creek Aquifer Development Moratorium, as set forth in *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 357*, *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 363*, and *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 366*. *Grays Harbor County Code 18.04.080* and *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-800(6)* requires a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) threshold determination for the subdivision of land partially covered by water. *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-756* includes wetland areas in the definition of lands covered by water. The Planning and Building Division reviewed the application as required by both *Grays Harbor County Code Title 18* and the *Washington Administrative Code 197-11*. The review resulted in a

Determination of Significance (D-S) for the subdivision. The D-S requires the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) before the Division can proceed with the processing of the subdivision application. The applicant submitted an appeal of the SEPA threshold determination on September 12, 2007. *Grays Harbor County Code 18.04.190*, *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-680(2)*, and *Revised Code of Washington 43.21C.060* require the Grays Harbor Board of County Commissioners to conduct an appeal hearing for this governmental action.

**b. Applicant – Brogan & Anenson LLC:** October 29, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing for the Grays Harbor County SEPA Appeal Case 2007-2295. Brogan & Anenson LLC applied for Subdivision Case 2006-1324 on June 28, 2006. The application is located within the area subject to the County's Wildcat Creek Aquifer Development Moratorium, as set forth in *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 357*, *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 363*, and *Grays Harbor County Ordinance 366*. *Grays Harbor County Code 18.04.080* and *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-800(6)* requires a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) threshold determination for the subdivision of land partially covered by water. *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-756* includes wetland areas in the definition of lands covered by water. The Planning and Building Division reviewed the application as required by both *Grays Harbor County Code Title 18* and the *Washington Administrative Code 197-11*. The review resulted in a Determination of Significance (D-S) for the subdivision. The D-S requires the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) before the Division can proceed with the processing of the subdivision application. The applicant submitted an appeal of the SEPA threshold determination on September 12, 2007. *Grays Harbor County Code 18.04.190*, *Washington Administrative Code 197-11-680(2)*, and *Revised Code of Washington 43.21C.060* require the Grays Harbor Board of County Commissioners to conduct an appeal hearing for this governmental action.

**6. Request Approval, Set hearing date of October 29, 2007 – County Road Standards Variance Request – applicant Louis Muller:** October 29, 2007 at 2:00 p.m. is the date and time set for a public hearing to consider County Road Standards Variance Request 2007-2349 as submitted by Louis Muller. The request is for a variance for a reduction in the required road easement width from 60-feet to 40-feet to allow for the subsequent reconstruction of an existing gravel access road to an approximately 85.92-acre site located near the Cougar-Smith Road in unincorporated Grays Harbor County.

## **SHERIFF**

**1. Request Approval, Agreement with Washington State Parks & Recreation Commission for law enforcement services:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an agreement between the Sheriff's Department and the Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission for law enforcement services. This two year contract is a renewal of a prior contract and the terms are the same as the prior contract.

### **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.

John Donaghy, political director for Healthcare unit 1199NW of the Service Employees International Union reported that they represent the nurses, case managers and therapists at Behavioral Health Resources (BHR). Mr. Donaghy commented regarding a potential strike on Thursday, October 11, 2007.

Anna Jo Rider, representing Grays Harbor 4 x 4 Drive Association, made comments regarding events and future plans for the ORV Park.

Pauline Berg, member of the Mental Health Advisory Board made comment regarding Evergreen Counseling Center and Behavioral Health Resources.

Donald Bone, Vice President of Big Dogs Off-Road made comment regarding restrictions of the ORV Park.

Stan Blunt, Aberdeen, commented regarding medical care and SeaMar Community Health Center. Comment was made regarding I-9 forms.

Dave Szurke, member of the Mental Health Advisory Board extended an invitation to attend the Mental Health Advisory Board meeting on October 9<sup>th</sup> in Aberdeen.

### **STAFF MEETINGS**

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, October 8, 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 Paul Easter, Kevin Varness, Lee Napier and Brian Shea, Public Services Department.

The Board approved the following:

**RESOLUTIONS**

**No. 2007-107                      Cancellation of Warrants**

**ORDINANCES**

None

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS**

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

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

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ALBERT A. CARTER, Chairman  
Commissioner, District 3

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BOB BEERBOWER, Commissioner, District 1

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MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ATTEST:

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Donna Caton  
Clerk of the Board