

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

March 23, 2009

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, March 23, 2009, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Al Carter, Terry Willis and Mike Wilson were present. Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecutor, and Donna Caton, Clerk of the Board, were also present.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

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

BIDS

1. Used Equipment – One (1) Crawler/Dozer & One (1) Hydraulic Excavator:

Bids were accepted for the following items: Used equipment, one (1) softly used crawler dozer, and one (1) softly used hydraulic excavator. It was advertised February 26, 2009, in the *Montesano Vidette* that bids would be accepted at the Office of the County Commissioners, 100 W. Broadway, Suite 1, Montesano, WA. Bid specifications were available at both the County Commissioners Office and at Straddleline ORV Park, 15015 State Highway 8, McCleary, WA 98557. The following bids were received with bid bonds attached:

1) Case Power & Equipment: Auburn, WA

Excavator:	Case Model CX80, 2005	\$62,471.17	
Dozer:	Case Model 850KII, 2005	\$69,989.99	
Dozer:	Case Model 850II, 2007 (New)	\$89,825.81	Option B

2) Jet City Equipment: Oak Harbor, WA

Excavator:	Hyundai Model R-110D-7, 2006	\$69,592.80	
Dozer:	Dressta Model TD9-M, 2007	\$69,592.80	

3) Scholten's Equipment: Burlington, WA

Excavator:	Kubota Model KXO80-3, 2008	\$84,933.00	
Dozer:	N/A		

4) Hertz Equipment Rental: Park Ridge, NJ

Excavator:	N/A		
Dozer:	Komatsu, Model D39PX-21	\$65,989.36	

5) **Modern Machinery: Kent, WA**

Excavator:	Komatsu Model PC78US, 2006	\$68,416.36	
Dozer:	Komatsu Model D37EX-21A, 2007	\$64,950.76	
Dozer:	Komatsu Model D39PX-21A, 2005	\$64,961.59	Option B

6) **NC Machinery/CAT: Tukwila, WA**

Excavator:	Caterpillar 312C L, 2005	\$97,641.11
Dozer:	Caterpillar Model D5G XL, 2004	\$69,065.08

7) **Papé Machinery: Tacoma, WA**

Excavator:	John Deere Model 135C, 2006	\$81,300.00
Excavator:	Hitachi Model 2X80, 2005	\$71,544.00
Excavator:	Bobcat Model 442S, 2007	\$81,300.00
Dozer:	John Deere Model 550JLGP, 2007	\$64,498.00

The bids were forwarded to the ORV Park Manager for further review.

HEARINGS

1. Road Variance Request Case No. 2009-0051 – Applicant Ken & Gail Reid:

There was a public hearing to consider an application by Ken and Gail Reid requesting a variance, Case No. 2009-0051, for a reduction in the required minimum private road standards for the property adjacent to Pirates Alley Condominiums, Grayland. The applicant is requesting a reduction in the required easement width from 60 feet to 30 feet. Notice of this hearing was advertised in the *Montesano Vidette* March 12, 2009.

Chairman Wilson called for a staff report. Russ Esses, County Road Engineer, reported that the Department has reviewed the variance request and recommends approval based on the condition that the applicant builds the roads and cul-de-sacs as proposed in the application. Mr. Esses explained that the applicant has proposed the installation of two cul-de-sacs, which exceeds the current standard of one cul-de-sac. This will allow a short distance to travel to turn around. Mr. Esses stated that the Department recommends the current drainage not be impacted by grading and filling activities. He noted that this variance, should it be approved, would be for the proposed 2-Lot subdivision only.

Chairman Wilson asked for public comment. Bob Connolly, the Engineer representing the applicant, made comments regarding the conditions proposed by Mr. Esses and the applicant's willingness to comply with them.

Chairman Wilson asked for additional comment. There was no further comment and the hearing was closed.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the variance request by Ken and Gail Reid, Case No. 2009-0051, as conditioned.

CONSENT AGENDA: Approval was requested for the following items:

1. Minutes of Special Meeting held March 2, 2009
2. Minutes of Special Meeting March 13, 2009
3. Minutes of Special Regular Meeting March 16, 2009
4. ~~Set Hearing Date Re: Proposed Ordinance Related to Junk Vehicles~~
**This item was moved to the regular agenda. See Commissioners Item No. 1.*

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve all Consent Agenda items as listed above.

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Set Hearing Date – Proposed Ordinance Related to Junk Vehicles:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to set April 6, 2009, at 2:00 p.m., as the date and time set for a hearing to consider a proposed Ordinance related to junk vehicles.

*The Clerk of the Board announced the following item was added after publication of the agenda:

2. **Letter of Support, Upper Quinault Restoration Project:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a letter of support for the Upper Quinault Restoration Project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Wilson announced that the Public Comment portion of the meeting has been moved towards the beginning of the meeting in response to suggestions from the public.

Fred Hutchison, Elma, made comments regarding the need to obtain building permits, the cost of permits and inspections, and the Declaration of Independence.

Stan Blunt, Aberdeen, provided a copy of an article from the Seattle Times regarding E-Verify and made comments regarding illegal immigration.

DEPARTMENTS

MANAGEMENT SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, 2009 Tourism Service Contract:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Tourism Service Contract with the Grays Harbor Chamber of Commerce in the amount of \$20,000 for the 2009 promotion of tourism in Grays Harbor County.

ORV PARK

1. Request Approval, Straddleline ORV Park Maintenance Grant 2010 – 2011:

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2009-17, Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program.** This Resolution allows the ORV Park to apply for the 2010/2011 seasons grant necessary to offset operation and maintenance costs. The park will apply for the maximum amount available at \$100,000 per year for two years.

2. Request Approval, Straddleline ORV Park 2010 Roof, Gravel & Fence

Grant: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2009-18, Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program.** This Resolution will allow the ORV Park to apply for the 2010 season grant necessary to offset operation and maintenance costs. The Park will apply for \$48,000.

3. Request Approval, Straddleline ORV Park Cabins Grant: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2009-19, Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program.** This Resolution allows the ORV Park to apply for the 2010 season grant to offset purchasing costs. The park will apply for \$32,000 in funding for the purchase of camping cabins.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. Request Approval, Administrative Offer Summary – Forrest Road &

Brooklyn Road Emergency Slide Repair: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve two Administrative Offer Summaries for the Forrest Road Bridge Replacement Project and the Brooklyn Road Emergency Repair Project. The first Administrative Offer Summary (AOS) is for the purpose of establishing a fair market value for the acquisition of additional property from Mr. Gerhard. This additional acquisition is the result of a redesigned structure on Forrest Road. The second AOS is a revised AOS for the Brooklyn Road Emergency Repair. This revision does not change the amount of compensation (\$500) previously approved by the Board on March 9, 2009, but changes the acreage area within the easement from .11-acres to .12-acres.

2. Request Approval, Resolution Authorizing Utility Rate Amendment for Pacific Beach/Moclips & North Beach Water Systems: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2009-20, Imposing Rates and Charges for Certain Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Services in Grays Harbor County, Washington, Amending Resolution No. 02-113, No. 2003-129, No. 2004-42, No. 2005-18, No. 2005-126, No. 2006-10, No. 2007-137 and No. 2008-152.** This amendment is needed to establish rates for the customers of the Hogan water system that is now a part of the County's North Beach Water System. The rate is the same as the other customers of the system, \$33.00 per month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

1. A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a request made by the Elma Game Club for the use of Vance Creek Park on April 25th, 2009, for the 5th annual fishing derby. This request will be forwarded to the appropriate County Departments for review.

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held staff meetings on Monday, March 23, 2009, beginning 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 Barb Smith, Tourism, regarding agenda items; Dolores Noyes, ORV Park Manager, regarding agenda items; Rose Elway, Budget Director, regarding budget items; Paul Easter, Public Services Director, regarding agenda items, road and bridge projects and personnel updates; Kevin Varness, regarding agenda items, facility/utility project updates; Brian Shea, Planning & Building, regarding department updates; Lee Napier, regarding agenda items. Notes of these meetings are available upon request.

The Board approved the following:

RESOLUTIONS

No. 2009-17

Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW,

**Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities
Program (ORV Park Maintenance Grant)**

No. 2009-18

Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (ORV Park Roof, Gravel & Fence)

No. 2009-19

Authorizing an application for funding assistance for a Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program (NOVA) project to the Recreation and Conservation Funding Board (RCFB) as provided in Chapter 46.09 RCW, Nonhighway and Off-Road Vehicles Activities Program

No. 2009-20

Imposing Rates and Charges for Certain Water, Sewer and Solid Waste Services in Grays Harbor County, Washington, Amending Resolution No. 02-113, No. 2003-129, No. 2004-42, No. 2005-18, No. 2005-126, No. 2006-10, No. 2007-137 and No. 2008-152

ORDINANCES

None

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:38 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
For Grays Harbor County
This _____ day of _____, 2009

MIKE WILSON, Chairman
Commissioner, District 2

TERRY L. WILLIS, Commissioner, District 1

ALBERT A. CARTER, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

Donna Caton
Clerk of the Board