

Minutes
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING

October 7, 2013

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, October 7, 2013, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Wes Cormier and Frank Gordon were present with Commissioner Herb Welch participating by phone. Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board, was present to record the meeting. James Baker, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, was also present.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

BIDS:

None

HEARINGS:

1. Ordinance to incorporate rezone of 18 acres from General Development 5 to Rural Residential–Kurt Rudy and Jerry Hamm: There was a public hearing on October 7, 2013 to consider the recommendation of the Grays Harbor County Planning Commission to approve rezone Case #2013-0617 and adopt an ordinance changing the zoning-classification of the following described real property, from General Development Five (G-5) to Rural Residential (RR):

Lots 1 and 2 of Large-lot Subdivision (LLS) 2001-1562 recorded under Grays Harbor County Auditor File 2002-02070001, and;

A portion of the Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter of Section 19, Township 18 North, Range 5 West of the Willamette Meridian, described as follows: Beginning at the Northeast corner of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter and running thence West along the North line of said subdivision 600 feet to the true point of beginning;

Thence turning to the left at an angle of 81° from the North line of said subdivision and running to the Northerly line of a tract conveyed to the State of Washington by deed recorded May 2, 1961 in Volume 411 of Deeds, page 198 as Auditor's File No. 77129;

Thence Southwesterly along the Northerly line of said State of Washington tract a distance of 144 feet; Thence Northwesterly 781 feet to a point on the North line of said Southeast Quarter of the Southwest Quarter at a distance of 533 feet West of the point of beginning; Thence East along said North line 533 feet to the point of beginning; Situate in the County of Grays Harbor, State of Washington.

Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* September 26, 2013. Commissioner Gordon asked for a staff report.

Curt Crites, Planner, reported this application was for 18 acres that included three lots for two applicants. He stated the Planning Commission held a hearing on this proposal on September 3, 2013. The Commission voted 5-0 with one person abstaining for conditional approval. The condition was for the density to be at least three and half acres per lot.

Commissioner Gordon asked if there was any public comment. There was no public comment and the hearing was closed.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Ordinance No. 407 amending the Grays Harbor County official zoning maps adopted pursuant to Grays Harbor County Code Title 17 approving a petition for rezone case #2013-0617.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Gordon called for public comment on county-related items. He announced comments and statements would be accepted and limited to three minutes. Questions should be submitted in writing.

There was no public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA: Approval was requested for the following items:

Minutes:

September 30, 2013 Regular & Morning Meeting

Auditor:

Month End Expenditures September 2013 – Claims \$5,785,607.90 - Payroll
\$2,369,979.44

Coroner:

Monthly report for September 2013

Management Services:

Set hearing date – *October 21, 2013* – Supplemental Budget-various departments

Public Services:

Resolution No. 2013-101 Acknowledging Vacation by Operation of Law for Alan and Lola Cain in the plat of East Ocosta

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

PROCLAMATION:

1. October 6 through October 12 Grays Harbor 4-H week and 2013 as a year to celebrate 4-H youth development: A motion was made, seconded and passed to proclaim October 6 through 12 as Grays Harbor 4-H Week and 2013 as a year to celebrate 4-H Youth

Development in Grays Harbor County and encourage all citizens to participate in activities designed to recognize and celebrate the contributions of the 4-H Youth Development Program to Grays Harbor County. Dan Teuteberg, WSU Extension, stated October 1, 2013 is the start to the 4-H year and the program has strong support from the community.

COMMISSIONERS:

None

DEPARTMENTS

Fair, Events and Tourism:

1. **Request Approval, Resolution – establishing the 2014 Fairgrounds and Event Center Rental rate schedule:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2013-102 establishing the 2014 Fairground and Event Center Rental Rate Schedule.**

Rate increases and document changes include:

- The ability to negotiate a flat rate in lieu of the percentage charged for sale of products and admission fees.
- Utility rate increased from \$25/hour to \$30/hour.
- Storage increased \$5.00 within each length category.
- 4H Food Booth daily rental decreased from \$250/day to \$100/day and it is now specified that the deposit is split between the Fairgrounds and 4H.
- Pavilion Lot rental increased from \$350/day to \$375/day.
- Midway Lot rental increased from \$325/day to \$350/day.
- Carnival Lot rental increased from \$325/day to \$350/day.

Management Services:

1. **Request Approval, Resolution – Budget Transfer – Chemical Dependency/Mental Health/Therapeutic Court Fund, \$6,100:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2013-103 transferring items in the Miscellaneous Fund Chemical Dependency/Mental Health/Therapeutic Court in the amount of \$6,100.** This budget amendment is necessary to implement the Jail Tele-Psychiatry Program.

2. **Request Approval, Joint Funding Agreement – U.S. Geological Survey and Grays Harbor County for the ongoing operation and maintenance of the Humptulips Gaging Station, \$6,680:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Joint Funding Agreement with the U.S. Geological Survey for the ongoing operation and maintenance of the Humptulips Gaging Station. \$6,680 is the County's share of the agreement, of which half has been budgeted in the 2013 Sheriff's Department budget and ½ in the Tourism Department budget.

Public Health and Social Services:

1. **Request Approval, Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Thurston County for the Community Transformation Grant, which provides debarment language for the contract:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Thurston County for the Community Transformation Grant, which provides debarment language for the contract.

Public Services:

1. **Request Approval, Emergency Load Restrictions Resolution:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2013-104 establishing emergency load limitations on various county roads during periods of inclement weather, providing for special permit, allowances and maximum speeds.** This resolution covers 180 days from today for the 2013-2014 winter season. Periods of freeze and thaw threaten the foundation and surface of county roads.

2. **Request Approval, Workman Creek Road Drainage Project; C-65210-03 CRP Resolution:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve County Road Project (CRP) Resolution C-65210-03 to install a drainage system to remove water from the Workman Creek – Lennon Road intersection. This project will involve installing two drainage culverts and ditching that will redirect roadside drainage to a natural drainage swale.

3. **Request Approval, 2014 Central Transfer Station Tipping Fee – Rate Resolution:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2013-105 imposing rates and charges for certain water, sewer and solid waste services in Grays Harbor County and amending Resolution No.'s 02-113, 2003-129, 2004-42, 2005-18, 2005-126, 2006-10, 2007-137, 2008-152, 2009-20, 2010-133, 2011-088 and 2012-100.** The contracts providing for the Central Transfer Station and the export of municipal solid waste have cost of living adjustments due January 1, 2014.

The Export Services Agreement with Regional Disposal Company provides for a .31 cent increase based upon the CPI adjustment. The Transfer Station Agreement with LeMay Enterprises, Inc. provides for a .29 cent increase for 2014 based upon the CPI adjustment. We are recommending an increase of .75 cents per ton for a total fee of \$94.00/ton.

In order to implement this increase by January 1, 2014, action is needed so that the WUTC can act on the subsequent request from LeMay's.

From a historical perspective, in the early 1990's the County looked at developing a local landfill. The cost in 1991 was expected to be \$120/ton. Shortly thereafter, Klickitat County, who was set to host a large regional landfill, offered to provide service at \$100/ton. Now, twenty years later, we are still below those costs.

From a monthly rate perspective, the impact of this rate increase on the monthly garbage (solid waste) bill will be approximately a .07 cent increase for a customer who has a 65 gallon tote picked up every other week, which is the service that the majority of customers are signed up for.

This resolution sets the 2014 Central Transfer Station tipping fee at \$94.00/ton, effective January 1, 2014.

Sheriff:

1. Request Approval, Authorize Sheriff Rick Scott to be Applicant Agent for the Ocosta School Hazard Mitigation Grant: A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize Sheriff Rick Scott to be Applicant Agent for the Ocosta School Hazard Mitigation Grant. Due to the federal government shut down, the school district was unable to obtain their Hazard Mitigation Grant Annex. As a result of this, the school district requested that Grays Harbor County become the applicant agent. This action allows the Sheriff to assist the Ocosta School District in moving forward with this historic project.

Sheriff Scott and Emergency Management Deputy Director Chuck Wallace explained many months of work by many people have gone in to this project which would put the first vertical evacuation building in the United States in Grays Harbor County and specifically be a part of the Ocosta Elementary School thus protecting the students, staff and others in the event of a tsunami. The Sheriff's Department will work closely with the Ocosta School District to ensure that the necessary reports and other work are completed to continue the project. The Department will also work to ensure that assistance in this matter is minimized so as to put as little stress on staff and resources as possible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held a regular morning meeting on Monday, October 7, 2013, beginning at 9:00 a.m. These meetings are advertised public meetings held in the Commissioners' Conference Room 1. Commissioners Wes Cormier and Frank Gordon and Clerk of the Board Donna McCallum reviewed agendas, calendars and pending daily office issues. Commissioner Herb Welch was present by phone. The Board met with Mike Bruner, Fair, Events and Tourism Manager, regarding agenda items, and the following Public Services Representatives regarding requests, agenda items and department updates: Public Services Director Kevin Varness, County Surveyor Tom Gray, Environmental Health Director Jeff Nelson and Road Engineer Russ Esses.

**RECAP OF APPROVED RESOLUTIONS, ORDINANCES, AND
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS:**

RESOLUTIONS:

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| No. 2013-101 | Acknowledging Vacation by Operation of Law for Alan and Lola Cain in the plat of East Ocosta |
| No. 2013-102 | Establishing the 2014 Fairground and Event Center Rental Rate Schedule |
| No. 2013-103 | Transferring items in the Miscellaneous Fund Chemical Dependency/Mental Health/Therapeutic Court in the amount of \$6,100 |
| No. 2013-104 | Establishing emergency load limitations on various county roads during periods of inclement weather, providing for special permit, allowances and maximum speeds |
| No. 2013-105 | Imposing rates and charges for certain water, sewer and solid waste services in Grays Harbor County and amending Resolution No.'s 02-113, 2003-129, 2004-42, 2005-18, 2005-126, 2006-10, 2007-137, 2008-152, 2009-20, 2010-133, 2011-088 and 2012-100 |

ORDINANCES:

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| No. 407 | Amending the Grays Harbor County official zoning maps adopted pursuant to Grays Harbor County Code Title 17 approving a petition for rezone case #2013-0617 |
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INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS:

- **Amendment #1 to the Interlocal Agreement with Thurston County for Community Transformation Grant**

The meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

For Grays Harbor County

This _____ day of _____, 2013

HERB WELCH, Chairman, District 3

WES CORMIER, Commissioner, District 1

FRANK GORDON, Commissioner, District 2

ATTEST:

Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board