

**Minutes**  
**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY**  
**REGULAR MEETING**

**June 23, 2014**

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, June 23, 2014, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Frank Gordon, Herb Welch and Wes Cormier. Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board, was present to record the meeting. James Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, was also present.

**CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE**

**PRESENTATION:**

1. **Sheriff Rick Scott: Letters of Commendation to John Watkins and Jessica Wolfe, Search and Rescue Volunteers:** Sheriff Rick Scott presented letters of commendation to John Watkins and Jessica Wolfe for their efforts as search and rescue volunteers. The individuals aided in locating and assisting in rescuing Karen Grygorcewicz on May 29, 2014 who went missing on May 28, 2014. The Grygorcewicz family, the Sheriff's Department and Grays Harbor County thanked the volunteers for their dedication and commitment to Search and Rescue.

**HEARINGS:**

1. **Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for 2015 through 2020:** There was a public hearing on June 23, 2014 to consider the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program for 2015 through 2020. Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* on June 12, 2014. Commissioner Gordon called for a staff report. Russ Esses, County Engineer, provided an overview of the projects planned for the 2015 through 2020 Transportation Improvement Program as follows:

- 9 bridges
- 4 railroad signals/gates
- 12 road realignments
- 4 chip seal projects
- 4 Fish Barrier projects
- 2 pavement overlays
- 2 sidewalks
- Various guardrail, paving and curve safety projects

Commissioner Gordon called for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the hearing.

**ACTION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 2014-075 adopting the six year transportation improvement program for years 2015 to 2020 for Grays Harbor County.

2. **Emergency Budget – Non-Departmental, \$26,480:** There was a public hearing on June 23, 2014 to consider an Emergency Budget appropriation in the Non-Departmental Fund in the amount of \$26,480. Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* on June 12, 2014. Commissioner Gordon called for a staff report. Brenda Sherman, Budget Director, explained the Resolution includes the following:

- The transfer of \$10,000 to the Crime Victim Penalty Assessment Fund to cover cash shortages, as needed. Over the last several years, the revenue received in this fund has not been sufficient to cover the expenses associated with crime victim assistance.
- Miscellaneous expense is being increased \$2,200 to cover amounts due to the Department of Revenue resulting from a recent use tax audit.
- Budget for the payment of a one year contract with E-Civis for grant research and knowledge base services for \$14,280. Other miscellaneous funds will be using this service and will be billed for a portion of this contract.

Commissioner Gordon called for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the hearing.

**ACTION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 2014-076 authorizing an emergency budget in the Non-Departmental Fund in the amount of \$26,480.

3. **Ordinance terminating the Current Use Timber Land Program and declaring land previously designated in the Current Use Timber Land Program to be Designated Forest Land and prescribing minimum timber management plan requirements:** There was a public hearing on June 23, 2014 to consider an Ordinance terminating the Current Use Timber Land Program and declaring land previously designated in the Current Use Timber Land Program to be Designated Forest Land and prescribing minimum timber management plan requirements. Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* on June 12, 2014.

Commissioner Gordon called for public comment.

The following people spoke in favor of the Ordinance:

Kyle Winston, representing Eyes in the Woods.  
Pat Bossard, Montesano  
Louis Farra, Elma  
Thomas Fest, Columbia  
Dominick Corrila, Elma  
Teri Franklin, Elma  
John Larson, Hoquiam  
Brett Moore, Raymond  
Charles Lair, Aberdeen  
Dan Wood, Hoquiam

The following people spoke against the Ordinance:

Owen Shafner,  
Terry Willis, representing the Farm Bureau  
Howard Wilson, Montesano  
Harold Brumstedt, Montesano  
Bill Pickell, Hoquiam

Hearing no further comment, Chair Gordon moved out of the hearing.

Commissioner Cormier made a motion to approve the Ordinance. Commissioner Welch seconded the motion to allow discussion.

Commissioner Welch stated a lot of information was provided today. He would like more time to research and make a decision.

Commissioner Gordon stated he would like more time as well and proposed a two week postponement.

Commissioner Cormier stated the timber business is changing and he is trying to address the change. He stated he understands a county is not allowed to supersede state law, which is why he proposed adding a qualification to the timber management plan. Some counties are more lenient and some are stricter. He stated the county has the flexibility to do this and this cause is worth the effort.

Commissioner Welch withdrew his second of the motion.

**ACTION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to continue the hearing to July 7, 2014.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** Approval was requested for the following items:

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#### **Public Services:**

Final Plat Approval – Division 4C of Seabrook Case #2003-1000

Change in bid opening for water truck for ORV Park from July 7<sup>th</sup> to July 14<sup>th</sup>

#### **Correspondence:**

Claim, C-680-14 Kenneth Ray Youngblood

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

**COMMISSIONERS:**

1. **Resolution – rescinding Resolution No. 97-125 requiring that employees exempt from union contracts reside within Grays Harbor County:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2014-077 rescinding Resolution No. 97-125 which required that employees exempt from union contracts reside within Grays Harbor County.** The Board finds that the goals of Resolution 97-125 are not advanced by requiring all County employees exempt from union contracts to reside in Grays Harbor County as a condition of employment, and that such requirement should be rescinded.

**DEPARTMENTS:**

**Public Health and Social Services:**

1. **Request Approval, Amendment No. 4 to the Outpatient Services Contract with Behavioral Health Resources - amended contract total not to exceed \$3,232,554:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Amendment No. 4 to the Outpatient Service Contract with Behavioral Health Resources. This contract provides publicly funded mental health treatment services including counseling, psychiatry and residential supports. The total for this amended contract from all funds shall not exceed \$3,232,554. The Amendment is for the following:

- Changes the blended rate for outpatient mental health treatment services to \$170.00 per hour for services in the facility and \$180.00 per hour for services out in the community.
- Changes the payment ratio for group mental health treatments to 4:1
- Adds \$10,000 in Non-Medicaid to fund 8 hours per week of liaison services between the mental health program and the jails in Aberdeen and Hoquiam. The Jail Liaison position is intended to connect inmates with mental illness and substance use disorders to treatment programs upon release from custody.
- Adds \$31,000 in Non-Medicaid funds to improve staff training
- Adds \$7,000 in Non-Medicaid funds to ensure case managers can attend psychiatric evaluation appointments with their clients

2. **Request Approval, Contract with Behavioral Health Resources for Youth Co-Occurring Disorder Treatment Pilot – April 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014 for a contract amount not to exceed \$16,000:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a contract with Behavioral Health Resources for Youth Co-Occurring Disorder Pilot Program to improve mental health and chemical dependency treatment for youth in Aberdeen High School. This contract provides funding to implement an evidence-based treatment program designed to meet the unique needs of youth who have both mental health and substance use issues. The 6-month pilot will allow mental health and chemical dependency specialists to work in tandem to promote recovery for these seriously at-risk youth. The total for this amended contract from all funds shall not exceed \$16,000.

**3. Request Approval, Amendment No. 1 to the Behavioral Health Resources Crisis Services Contract for mental health services –new contract total of \$1,331,788 for October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve amendment No. 1 to the contract with Behavioral Health Resources for publicly funded Crisis mental health services including a 24 hour hotline, round-the-clock crisis intervention, designated mental health professionals to administer involuntary treatment and a 10 bed crisis residential facility. The contract is based on a negotiated cost-reimbursement for actual services provided. This amendment reduces the original contract total by \$35,000 to better reflect services rendered year to date. The new contract total is \$1,331,788.00 for the period October 1, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

**4. Request Approval, Amendment No. 2 to the 2013-2014 Chemical Dependency Contract with Providence St. Peter – purchase Chemical Dependency Involuntary Commitment Services on a capacity basis, \$24,872:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Amendment No. 2 to the 2013-14 Chemical Dependency Contract with Providence St. Peter. The purpose of the amendment is purchase Chemical Dependency Involuntary Commitment Services on a capacity basis allowing for a dedicated .5 FTE who will be stationed in Grays Harbor and provide additional support to the behavioral health crisis system. This amendment also reduces funding for inpatient and detoxification services in response to the agency temporarily closing these services during the remainder of this contract period. The contract runs from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014 and the total amendment amount is \$24,872.

**5. Request Approval, Amendment No. 2 to the 2013-2014 Chemical Dependency Services Contract with Evergreen Treatment Services – expansion of services for addition of \$124,968:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Amendment No. 2 to the Evergreen Treatment Services 2013-14 Chemical Dependency Services contract. This contract amendment provides for a reduction in unspent funds while providing for the continuation and the anticipated expansion of opiate substitution treatment services. This contract is for services provided July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014. The amount of the contract amendment is \$124,968.

**6. Request Approval, Business Associate Agreement Addendum between Grays Harbor Regional Services Network and Thurston County for data sharing and scope of services:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a Business Associate Agreement between Grays Harbor Regional Services Network (RSN) and Thurston County. The purpose of this agreement is to further define the data sharing and scope of services for both our RSN and Thurston County.

**7. Request Approval, Amendment No. 3 to the 2013-2014 Chemical Dependency Contract with Educational Service District 113/True North – additional funding in the amount of \$18,760:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Amendment No. 3 to the 2013-14 Chemical Dependency contract amendment with Educational Service District 113/True North. The contract amendment provides additional funds in the amount of \$18,760. This additional funding will allow for the continuation of chemical dependency treatment

services to youth in Grays Harbor and maximize the utilization of the DSHS/DBHR contract funds. The contract total is amended to \$174,977. This contract will provide services from July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2014.

### **Public Services:**

1. **Request Approval, 2014 Traffic Safety Control Devices Supply Contract with Traffic Safety Supply Inc. - \$37,702.51:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2014 Traffic Safety Control Devices Supply Contract with Traffic Safety Supply Inc. in the amount of \$37,702.51.

### **Superior Court:**

1. **Request Approval, Interagency Agreement with State of Washington Office of Civil Legal Aid for legal representation for children in dependency cases:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an Interagency Agreement with the State of Washington Office of Civil Legal Aid for legal representation for children in dependency cases. As of July 1, 2014, attorneys must be appointed for children in dependency cases where parental rights have been terminated for at least six months. This contract allows for reimbursement to the County for such representation on a quarterly basis; ensuring that qualifying children are identified, appointments are timely and that legal representation is conducted consistent with applicable standards.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

Commissioner Gordon thanked the public for attending the meeting, stating it is good for citizens to be involved and learn about local government.

### **STAFF MEETINGS**

The Board held a regular morning meeting on Monday, June 23, 2014, beginning at 9:00 a.m. These meetings are advertised public meetings held in the Commissioners' Conference Room 1. Commissioners Frank Gordon, Herb Welch and Wes Cormier, along with Clerk of the Board Donna McCallum reviewed agendas, calendars and pending daily office issues. The Board met with Kevin Varness, Public Services Director, regarding a hire request and agenda items, and the following Public Service representatives for departmental updates Environmental Health Director Jeff Nelson, County Planner Curt Crites and County Engineer Russ Esses.

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

**RESOLUTIONS:**

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| <b>No. 2014-075</b> | <b>Adopting the six year transportation improvement program for years 2015 to 2020 for Grays Harbor County</b>                      |
| <b>No. 2014-076</b> | <b>Authorizing an emergency budget in the Non-Departmental Fund in the amount of \$26,480</b>                                       |
| <b>No. 2014-077</b> | <b>Rescinding Resolution No. 97-125 which required that employees exempt from union contracts reside within Grays Harbor County</b> |

**ORDINANCES:**

None

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS:**

- Business Associate Agreement Addendum between Grays Harbor Regional Services Network and Thurston County for data sharing and scope of services
- Amendment No. 3 to the 2013-14 Chemical Dependency contract amendment with Educational Service District 113/True North

The meeting adjourned at 3:37 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
For Grays Harbor County  
This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014

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FRANK GORDON, Chairman, District 2

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WES CORMIER, Commissioner, District 1

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HERB WELCH, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

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Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board