

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

**August 31, 2015**

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, August 31, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Wes Cormier, Frank Gordon and Vickie Raines. Jenna Amsbury, Clerk of the Board, was present to record the meeting. Deputy Prosecutor Norma Tillotson was also present.

**CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**BIDS:** None

**HEARINGS:**

1. **County Road Standards Variance Request 2015-0809, Applicant Meridian Group for variance from Public Roadway, Section D for Grass Creek Road:** There was a public hearing on August 31, 2015 to consider a request for a Roads Standards Variance 2015-0809 for the Meridian Group. Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* August 20, 2015.

Commissioner Cormier asked for a staff report. Jane Hewitt, Planning Department, the applicant is requesting a reduction in the minimum requirements for roadway section D which includes a reduction from the required 60-ft easement width to the existing 40-foot right-of-way; a reduction from the required 22-ft built road requirement to the existing +/-12-ft width; and to upgrade the existing dirt road to Private Roadway Section A in the area between the end of the existing asphalt to the terminus of the Grass Creek right-of-way. She stated the Commissioners received the application and a checklist provided by County Engineer Russ Esses.

Commissioner Raines asked if there was a staff recommendation. Ms. Hewitt stated there was no recommendation.

Commissioner Cormier called for public comment.

Andy King, representative for the Meridian Group, stated the access to the property is public right-of-way and there will be only one to two trips monthly to the site. Some improvements will be made to the gravel roadway.

There were no further comments and the hearing was closed.

**ACTION:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve variance 2015-0809 for Grass Creek Road, applicant Meridian Group.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There was no public comment.

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

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Morning/Regular Meetings: August 24, 2015

Commissioners:

Set Hearing Date – *October 19, 2015* – Release and Use of  
Federal Forest Title III Funds - \$23,282 contract with ACE (45 day comment period)

Set Bid Date – *September 21, 2015* – Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for Website  
Design and Development

Set Hearing Date – *September 14, 2015* - Ordinance amending Ordinances 323 and 376,  
and county code chapter 2.06 to adopt and revise Sheriff's fees for services

Set Hearing Date – *September 14, 2015* – Ordinance approving use of All Terrain  
Vehicles (ATV) on County Roads

(3) Washington State Liquor Control Board – Liquor Application, Front Street at  
Seabrook, Knights of Columbus Council 15689, and Cortese's Italian Ristorante

Public Services:

Authorization to close Delezenne Road at M.P. 4.50 to construct the abutments for the  
new Delezenne Creek Bridge

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

**Proclamation:**

1. **Suicide Prevention Week – September 8-16, 2015:** A motion was made, seconded and approved for Grays Harbor County to designate September 8 through 16, 2015, as Suicide Prevention Week. The Proclamation states suicide is a countywide public health problem, and suicide prevention as a community wide responsibility. Suicide is the second leading cause of death among people aged 10-24 in Grays Harbor.

**DEPARTMENTS:**

**Fair, Events and Tourism:**

1. **Request Approval, Rescind previous Fair Agreement with Justina MacMillan for bathroom clean-up during the Fair and execute new Fair Cleaning Agreement with Hannah Jensen in the amount of \$2,400:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Fair, Events and Tourism Manager to sign the 2015 fair agreement with Hannah

Jensen in the amount of \$2,400 and rescind previous Fair Agreement with Justina MacMillan for bathroom clean-up during the Fair.

**Management Services:**

1. **Request Approval, Resolution – Budget Transfer – Moclips Water System M & O Fund, \$130,000:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2015-086 transferring items in the Pacific Beach Moclips Water System Maintenance Operations Fund in the amount of \$130,000.** This amendment authorizes budget for waterline construction as requested by Public services.

2. **Request Approval, Letter of Agreement between Grays Harbor County and Kathy Jacobson for Fin Visits – October 7, 2015 through 10, 2015 in the amount of \$1,800:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve between Grays Harbor County and Kathy Jacobson. Kathy will be coordinating and leading classroom presentations and FIN visits to three Grays Harbor County schools on October 7, 8 and 9. She will also be assisting with hands-on activities during the Chehalis Watershed Festival on October 10, 2015.

**Public Health & Social Services:**

1. **Request Approval, Amendment No. 3 of the consolidated contract with the Washington State Department of Health, adding funds and language for WIC program and changes dates for SNAP reporting - increase of \$240 for total of \$1,339,850:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Amendment No. 3 adding funds and language for the Farmer's Market Nutrition Program (WIC) and changes a few reporting dates in the SNAP statement of work. The total contract amount is increased by \$240.

2. **Request Approval, Chemical Dependency Treatment Services contract with Sea Mar Behavioral Health – contract amount of \$63,736 for services provided July 1, 2015 to March 31, 2016:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve 2015-2016, Chemical Dependency Treatment Services contract with Sea Mar Behavioral Health. The purpose of this contract is to provide funding for the 2015-2016 fiscal year for adult outpatient chemical dependency treatment services. The contract is in the amount of \$63,736 and is for services provided July 1, 2015 through March 31, 2016.

**Treasurer:**

1. **Request Approval, to declare parcel #770501005901(tax title property) not practical to build and authorize private negotiation for the sale of the property:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to declare parcel #770501005901 not practical to build and authorize private negotiation for the sale of the property. This parcel is a triangularly shaped lot adjacent to Highway 12 in Central Park. The County Planning and Building Department has looked at the lot and concluded that it may not be practical to build on this property due to its shape and location. The County Assessor currently values this property at \$15,000.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

The Clerk of the Board announced there will be no meeting next Monday, September 7, 2015 for the Labor Day Holiday. The next meeting will be September 14, 2015.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

At 2:10 p.m. Commissioner Cormier announced a recess to move into Conference Room No. 1 for the media session.

**Media Session:**

Commissioner Cormier reopened the meeting at 2:11 p.m. in Conference Room No. 1. Commissioners present were Vickie Raines, Frank Gordon and Wes Cormier. The media and Commissioners exchanged comments and questions on County business.

At 2:16 p.m. Commissioner Cormier moved back to the Large Meeting Room and adjourned the meeting.

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

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**No. 2015-086**

**Transferring items in the Pacific  
Beach Moclips Water System  
Maintenance Operations Fund in  
the amount of \$130,000**

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS:**

None

The meeting adjourned at 2:16 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
For Grays Harbor County

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2015

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WES CORMIER, Chairman, District 1

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FRANK GORDON, Commissioner, District 2

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VICKIE L. RAINES, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

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Jenna Amsbury, Clerk of the Board