

## MINUTES

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

October 3, 2011

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, October 3, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Terry Willis, Herb Welch and Mike Wilson were present. Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board, was present and James Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney was present for the 2:00 p.m. portion of the meeting.

#### **CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE**

Commissioner Willis called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

#### **BIDS:**

None

#### **HEARINGS:**

1. Redistricting Plan (scheduled at 6:00 p.m.)

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

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

There were no public comments.

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

#### **Minutes:**

Regular and Morning Meetings – September 26, 2011  
Special Meetings: September 21, 2011 and September 27, 2011

#### **Commissioners:**

Set Hearing Date – *November 21, 2011*- 2012 Regular Property Tax Levy

#### **Management Services:**

Set Hearing Date – *October 17, 2011* – Supplemental Budget, Aberdeen Landfill Post-Closure Fund, \$1,000,000

#### **Public Services:**

**Resolution No. 2011-083 to initiate vacation of Workman Creek Branch right-of-way and set hearing date - *November 14, 2011***

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

## **COMMISSIONERS**

None

## **DEPARTMENTS**

### **FAIR, EVENTS AND TOURISM**

**1. Request Approval, Authorization for spending and for the Fair, Events and Tourism Manager to sign a 2011/12 Agreement with Washington Tourism Alliance – Associate Partnership:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve spending and authorize the Fair, Events and Tourism Manager to sign and execute the 2011/2012 agreement with Washington Tourism Alliance for an Associate Partnership. The agreement is in the amount of \$2,500.

## **MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

**1. Request Approval, Resolution, Budget Transfer – Non-Departmental:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve **Resolution No. 2011-084, for a \$1,000,000 transfer within Non-Departmental Fund so payment of the \$1,000,000 loan from the Landfill Post-Closure Fund to the General Fund can be made.** The Budget Director reported funds are available for the transfer.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES**

**1. Request Approval, Agreement with DSHS and Grays Harbor RSN for mental health treatment services:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve an agreement between the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services and the Grays Harbor RSN. It provides state funds to deliver mental health treatment services not covered by Medicaid including: inpatient care, 24-hour crisis services, services in local jails and outpatient services. The contract provides \$2,337,047.

**2. Request Approval, Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan Agreement with DSHS and Grays Harbor RSN for mental health treatment services:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Prepaid Inpatient Health Plan Agreement between DSHS and the Grays Harbor Regional Support Network. This provides federal funds to deliver mental health treatment services for each Medicaid eligible member. Payment is based on the estimated number of eligible people residing in the county each month. We expect the amount available for the coming year to be approximately \$5,417,499 which is a 6% reduction from the previous year's contract.

## **PUBLIC SERVICES**

**1. Request Approval, Award Bid to Traffic and Parking Control Co., Inc. – Sign Cutting Plotter and related equipment:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to award the bid for one sign cutting plotter and related equipment to Traffic Control and Parking Control Co., Inc. of Brown Deer, Wisconsin in the amount of \$14,158.

**2. Request Approval, Project Prospectus and federal bridge funding approval for Schmid Road Drainage Bridge No. 1 Replacement:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Project Prospectus and federal bridge funding to replace Schmid Road Drainage Bridge No. 1 with a new concrete structure. Russ Esses, County Engineer, stated a petition dated March 26, 2010 from ten local residents of the area requesting the existing failing bridge be closed was received by the county. The Engineering Office sent a letter of inquiry dated August 26, 2011 to five hundred landowners in the vicinity of the bridge requesting their input as to whether continuing with the presently funded bridge replacement project or road closure was in the best interest of the traveling public. Two hundred responses were received, and there were two and one-half (2.5) times as many people who wanted the bridge to remain open as compared to those who wanted it closed.

Commissioner Wilson stated he had read all the comments and sometimes the views of a few residents don't match the view of the public as a whole. He thought the survey was a good tool to make a sound decision. He stated replacing the bridge will retain an alternate emergency route and federal funds are available for the project.

**3. Request Approval, Supplemental Agreement #10 with Sargent Engineers for Schmid Road Bridge Replacement (South):** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Supplemental Agreement #10 with Sargent Engineers, Inc. This Agreement provides for additional design services to replace the Schmid Road Bridge at milepost 0.11. Supplemental Agreement #10 also provides for load rating services for the newly installed Davis Creek structure.

**4. Request Approval, Transfer Ownership of Edgewater Beach Water System from Homeowners Association to the County:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the transfer agreement to transfer ownership of the Edgewater Beach Water System from Home Owners Association to the County. The system serves 22 lots and will be incorporated into the County's North Beach Water System that serves the Ocean City area.

\*\* The Clerk of the Board announced the following item was added to the agenda:

**5. Request Approval, CPG Grant Amendment with Department of Ecology:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the amendment to the CPG Grant with the Department of Ecology for additional funding in the amount of \$102,000. The funding will be used to continue to operate the Household Hazardous Waste Facility and possible equipment replacement.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

Chairman Terry Willis recessed the meeting at 2:24 p.m. to resume at 6:00 p.m. for a scheduled hearing on redistricting.

## **HEARING:**

Commission Chairman Terry Willis resumed the regular meeting at 6:00 p.m.

**1. Redistricting Plan for 2012:** There was a public hearing on October 3, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. to consider the Commissioner redistricting plan for 2012. Notice of this hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* September 22, 2011. The Clerk of the Board stated the hearing is being held in accordance with R.C.W. 29A.76.010 which provides for periodic redistricting based on the most recent federal census population figures. Chairman Willis announced the hearing was advertised to obtain public input on redistricting plan version 4 and she called to have read the RCW requiring the Board to wait one week after the hearing to make a decision on the plan. Clerk of the Board, Donna McCallum read RCW 29A.76.010 (5).

Chairman Willis asked for a staff report. Vern Spatz, Auditor, described alternative four. He outlined the major changes from the current district representation map, explaining version 4 places City of Westport in District 2, City of Cosmopolis in District 3 and rural Central Park mostly in District 2. He said alternative four is close to ideal population in each district. The lines are compact, contiguous, fair and keep together areas of like interests. The map is easy to understand for citizens.

Responding to Commissioner Welch, Vern Spatz stated the decision must be made by December 8, 2011. He also responded to Mr. Welch the population of Cosmopolis is 1,649.

Chairman Willis called for public comment.

Mayor Vickie Raines, City of Cosmopolis, read a city resolution stating the city rejects alternatives 1, 2, 3 and 4. She disagreed with changes made to the districts, stating in alternative 4 preservation of communities of mutual interest was not followed. She discussed the rationale of changing boundary lines for one sitting PUD Commissioner and noted the City of Cosmopolis would have all new representation from the County, PUD, and Port. She pointed out only the city limits are being changed, leaving areas of the golf course and part of the school district in the current district.

Speaking on behalf of Port Commissioner Stan Pinnick and himself, Jack Thompson, Port Commissioner, stated the Port works with groups that handle issues in both Ocean Shores and Westport and they would like the two areas in the same district to allow one Commissioner to serve both coastal communities. Mr. Thompson would like Cosmopolis to stay in the same district as the City of Aberdeen.

There was no further public comment and the hearing was closed.

**ACTION: Chairman Terry Willis stated the decision on the redistricting map would be made on October 10, 2011 at the regular meeting at 2:00 p.m. She noted Commissioners heard the public on Alternative 4, but could make changes prior to adoption.**

### **STAFF MEETINGS**

The Board held a regular morning meeting on Monday, October 3, 2011, beginning at 9:00 a.m. These meetings are advertised public meetings held in the Commissioners' Conference Room. Commissioners and the Clerk of the Board, Donna McCallum reviewed calendars and pending daily office issues. The Board met with Vern Spatz, Auditor, regarding redistricting and the following Public Services individuals regarding agenda items and department updates: Kevin Varness, Public Services; Jeff Nelson, Environmental Health; Lee Napier, Interim Planning Director; Russ Esses, Road Engineer. Notes of these meetings are available upon request.

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

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

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| <b>No. 2011-083</b> | <b>Initiate vacation of Workman Creek Branch right-of-way and set hearing date - November 14, 2011</b>  |
| <b>No. 2011-084</b> | <b>Transferring \$1,000,000 within Non-Departmental Fund so payment of the \$1,000,000 loan from the Landfill Post-Closure Fund to the General Fund can be made</b> |

#### **ORDINANCES**

None

#### **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS**

None

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

For Grays Harbor County

This \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011

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TERRY L. WILLIS, Chairman, District 1

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MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

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HERB WELCH, Commissioner, District 3

ATTEST:

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Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board