

Minutes
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING
November 20, 2017

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Large Commissioner’s Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, November 20, 2017, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners present were Wes Cormier, Vickie Raines and Randy Ross. Jenna Amsbury, Clerk of the Board, was present to record the meeting.

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

BIDS:

None

HEARINGS:

1. Vacation Petition, D. Morris for a portion of Mox Chehalis Road: There was a public hearing November 20, 2017 to consider a request from D. Morris to vacate a portion of Mox Chehalis Road. Notice of hearing was published in *The Montesano Vidette* on November 9, 2017 and November 16, 2017. Commissioner Ross called for a staff report. Rob Wilson, County Road Engineer, stated that on September 24, 2017 the Department of Public Works received an application from Don and Rena Morris to vacate a portion of right of way adjoining their property and no longer in use by the County known as the Mox-Chehalis Road. In 1991 a realignment of Mox Chehalis Road was accomplished resulting in the shifting of 0.90 miles to the east to provide for a better alignment. Most of the previous alignment was vacated and reverted back to the adjoining properties with the exception of the southerly 130 feet. The applicants seek to vacate this portion of the Mox Chehalis Road right of way, which also lies westerly of the new right of way that was acquired as a result of the new bridge project. The specific location of this right of way lies within the northwest quarter of the southwest quarter of section 24, Twp. 18 North, Range 5 West, W.M. This road right of way was ordered established on August 10, 1888, in Volume 3, of the road records, page 27. He recommends the Order of Vacation be approved.

Commissioner Cormier called for public comment. There were no comments and the hearing was closed.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve Resolution No. 2017-119 authorizing an Order of Vacation for a portion of Mox Chehalis Road for applicant D. Morris.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes:

Morning/Regular meetings: November 13, 2017

Commissioners:

Set Hearing Date – December 4, 2017 – 2018 Budget

Veterans Advisory Board: Reappointment – Ken Estes, 2-year term expires 12/31/2019, Appointments – Red Brenner and Kenji Seta, 2-year terms, expire 12/31/19

Management Services:

Set Hearing Date – *December 4, 2017* – Election Reserve Fund, \$26,650

Set Hearing Date – *December 11, 2017* – Supplemental Budget, Various Departments, \$670,286

Correspondence:

WSLCB: Elma Chamber of Commerce, 01/20/18

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

COMMISSIONERS:

None

DEPARTMENTS:

Auditor:

1. Request Approval, Interlocal Agreement for the purchase of Clear Ballot software for the Elections Department: The Clerk of the Board announced this item was removed from the agenda.

Fair and Events:

1. Request Approval, One-Time Lodging Tax Allocation for Fairground costs of heater rentals during the Pavilion Project, \$6,508: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve a one-time lodging tax allocation for Fairground costs of heater rentals during the Pavilion project in the amount of \$6,508. The Fairgrounds is a tourism-generating facility which by statute qualifies it for use of hotel/motel tax funds.

2. Request Approval, 2017 Tourism Service Contracts Approval as recommended from the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee: Lake Quinault Community Action Forum - \$840.00 for 2017 Sani-can for visitors of the largest spruce tree and Lake Quinault Community Action Forum - \$3,000.00 for 2017 brochure project for Lake Quinault visitors: A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2017 Tourism Service Contracts with Lake Quinault Community Action Forum in the amount of \$840 for Sani-can rental for visitors and \$3,000 for the 2017 brochure project for Lake Quinault, as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee

Management Services:

1. Request Approval, 2018 Grant Agreement with Washington State Office of Public Defense for services in Grays Harbor County, term of contract January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, \$75,334: A motion was made to approve the 2018 Grant Agreement with Washington State Office of Public Defense for services in Grays Harbor County. Commissioner Raines stated that she thinks the State should be fully funding Indigent Defense; Commissioner Cormier agreed. Commissioner Ross commented that Lewis County receives more money than

Grays Harbor and would like to review the amount of the grant prior to approval. The motion to approve was withdrawn so more research can be done in receiving additional funds.

Public Services:

1. **Request Approval, Award Third Courtroom Construction Contract to Construct, Inc. of Tumwater, Washington, low bid \$574,000 and Authorize the Chairman to sign the contract:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the bid award for the Third Courtroom Construction Contract to Construct, Inc., of Tumwater, Washington with a low bid of \$574,000 and authorize the chairman to sign the contract.
2. **Request Approval, Resolution authorizing the funding application for Copalis Rocks Water System through the Department of Health in the amount of \$370,670:** The Clerk of the Board announced this item was removed from the agenda.
3. **Request Approval, Application for approval of Current Use Open Space classification for a 1.2 acre portion of parcel 191209210110, Iron Springs Park Association, as recommended by the Planning Commission:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Current Use Open Space classification for a 1.2 acre portion of parcel 191209210110, Iron Springs Park Association, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Added Agenda Items:

4. **Request Approval, Grays Harbor County Distressed County Sales and Use Tax Grant Application recommended by the .09 Advisory Committee to the Port of Grays Harbor for a Transoceanic Fiber Optic Feasibility Study, \$80,000:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the Grays Harbor County Distressed County Sales and Use Tax Grant Application to the Port of Grays Harbor for a Transoceanic Fiber Optic Feasibility Study in the amount of \$80,000, as recommended by the .09 Advisory Committee.
5. **Request Approval, Award bid to Fuel Care USA to clean fuel tanks, \$28,608.96:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve awarding the bid to Fuel Care USA to clean fuel tanks in the amount of \$28,608.96. Through the MRSC roster process, they were the lowest responsive bidder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

There will be no regular meetings on Monday, November 27, 2017 and county offices will be closed on November 23 and 24.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

Commissioner Ross recessed the meeting to the media session at 2:11 p.m.

Media Session:

Commissioner Ross reopened the meeting at 2:14 p.m. in Conference Room No. 1. Commissioners present were Wes Cormier, Randy Ross and Vickie Raines. The media and Commissioners exchanged comments and questions on County business.

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

RESOLUTIONS:

No. 2017-119

**Authorizing an Order of Vacation for
a portion of Mox Chehalis Road for
applicant D. Morris**

ORDINANCES:

None

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS:

None

At 2:28 p.m. Commissioner Ross adjourned the meeting.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
For Grays Harbor County

This _____ day of _____, 2017

Randy Ross, Chairman

Wes Cormier, District 1

Vickie Raines, District 3

ATTEST:

Jenna Amsbury, Clerk of the Board