

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS – GRAY HARBOR COUNTY REGULAR MEETING

August 9, 2010

The Commissioners met in regular session in the Commissioners' Meeting Room, Administration Building, Montesano, Washington, on Monday, August 9, 2010, at 2:00 p.m. Commissioners Al Carter, Mike Wilson and Terry Willis were present. Donna McCallum, Clerk of the Board, and Jim Baker, Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, were also present.

CALL TO ORDER AND FLAG SALUTE

Chairman Carter called the meeting to order with the pledge of allegiance.

BIDS:

None

HEARINGS:

1. Decision – Reclassification as Current Use Timber, Applicant Michael and Katy Moore: There was a reopened public hearing on July 26, 2010 to consider a request for reclassification as Current Use Timber for applicants Michael and Katy Moore; parcel number 180507320040. The reopened hearing was closed on July 26, 2010 and the decision was set for August 9, 2010. Notice of this hearing was published in the *Montesano Vidette* July 15th and 22nd, 2010.

Commissioner Willis discussed the declaration of easements filed in 2007 which included covenants for all owners in the development. She discussed the information in the document related to access road easement, community area easement, maintenance of access roads, timber easements and firebreak set-back requirements. Commissioner Willis explained that, according to the covenants, the acreage within the easement cannot be used for timber practices. The community easement areas are non-exclusive to the neighborhood association. Allotting for these requirements, the total acreage for timber purposes is 4.37. She stated that since the acreage is below the open space timber requirement, she would make a motion to uphold the original decision to deny the reclassification.

Commissioner Wilson stated that he was not at the meeting on July 26, 2010, but he watched the recording of the hearing and reviewed the documents.

ACTION: A motion was made, seconded and passed to uphold the decision to deny the Current Use Timber reclassification request submitted by Michael and Katy Moore for parcel number 180507320040.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Commissioner Carter called for public comment. He announced that comments and statements would be accepted and limited to three minutes. Questions should be submitted in writing.

Tim Scherer, Weyerhaeuser, made comments regarding the hearing decision for Michael and Katy Moore, and the impacts of the denial. His interpretation was that not being able to cut trees within an easement did not mean it could not be classified as timberland. Mr. Scherer stated that Weyerhaeuser appreciates the relationship with the county and that the Commissioners allowed the reopening of the hearing. He will research how to interpret the laws regarding open space timber and reassess covenants for the development.

CONSENT AGENDA: Approval was requested for the following items:

Minutes:

Morning Meeting and Regular Meeting – August 2, 2010

Auditor:

Month-End Expenditure Audit Report -July 2010, Claims: \$3,684,764.57 Salary:
\$2,323,615.99

Commissioners:

Set Hearing Date – *August 30, 2010* - Petition for formation of a public hospital district -
North Beach

Appointments to the Public Development Authority – Jack Thompson, John Van Dijk and
Art Tanner

Public Services:

Set Proposal Opening Date – *September 13, 2010* – Purchase of iron and manganese
removal equipment

Correspondence:

Claim, C-612-10, Ruben Ruiz

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

COMMISSIONERS

1. **Authorization for the Chairman to Sign a Funding Application with the Office of Public Defense:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the Chairman to sign the funding application with the Office of Public Defense.

2. **Private Drainage Easement with the Halverson Family and designation of \$15,000 from the General Fund for the county to construct a drainage facility on private property:**

A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the private drainage easement with the Halverson Family and to designate \$15,000 from the General Fund for the Public Works Department to construct a drainage facility on their property. Commissioner Willis stated that the county has been working to design a plan to evacuate water from this area. Road Fund money will be used for the county roadway portion of the project and General Fund money will be used

for the private portion of the drainage facility. The flooding of the road has been an issue and this drainage facility should relieve the problems.

DEPARTMENTS

FAIRGROUNDS

1. **Request Approval, 2010 Fair Commercial Exhibitor Agreements:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the 2010 Fair Commercial Exhibitor Agreements.

JUVENILE SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Juvenile Accountability Block Grant Amendment:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the amendment to the Juvenile Accountability Block Grant (JABG) with Department of Social and Health Services. The amended contract is in the amount of \$10,580 for the period of October 1, 2010 through September 30, 2011. This grant will provide additional services of Functional Family Therapy to further enhance the department's ability to reduce the recidivism for the youth of Grays Harbor County.

ORV PARK

1. **Request Approval, Event Contract with Tim Shelman, TPQ Unlimited – August 15, 2010:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the event contract with Tim Shelman from TPQ Unlimited for an event on August 15, 2010.

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, Agreement with Grays Harbor College – Student Nurse Training Site:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the agreement with Grays Harbor College. The agreement is to provide a clinical training site for students enrolled in the Nursing Program at Grays Harbor College. No funds are involved in this agreement.

2. **Request Approval, Contract with Northwest Interpreters Inc.:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the contract with Northwest Interpreters Inc. The contract renews on-site interpreter services for field work (home visits). Payment is made based on established rates and is charged to the program for which services are provided.

PUBLIC SERVICES

1. **Request Approval, CRP Resolution authorizing the installation of a culvert on Barrett Road Right-of-Way:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the CRP Resolution C-72590-01, authorizing the installation of 620 L.F. of 18" diameter culvert on Barrett Road right-of-way. This culvert pipe will drain standing water from the county road to a private drainage channel. This will keep Barrett Road passable during moderate flood events.

2. **Request Approval, Right-of-Way Deeds for Black Creek Road Bridge Replacement – Clayton Herron:** A motion was made, seconded and passed to approve the two right-of-way deeds with Clayton Herron for the Black Creek Road Bridge Replacement project and authorize the County's right-of-way agent to proceed with the right-of-way certification.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

STAFF MEETINGS

The Board held a regular morning meeting on Monday, August 9, 2010, beginning at 9:00 a.m. These meetings are advertised public meetings held in the Commissioners' Conference Room. Commissioners Carter, Wilson and Willis and the Clerk of the Board, Donna McCallum reviewed calendars and pending daily office issues. The Board met with Tim Gibbs, EDC and Mary Nelson, Port, regarding the .09 funding application; Mike Bruner, Fair and Tourism Manager, regarding an agenda item; Kevin Varness, regarding agenda and department updates; Fred Becker, Engineering, regarding agenda items; Brian Shea, Planning and Building, regarding department updates; Lee Napier, Public Services, regarding updates. Notes of these meetings are available upon request.

The Board approved the following:

RESOLUTIONS

None

ORDINANCES

None

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS

None

The meeting adjourned 2:25 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
For Grays Harbor County
This _____ day of _____, 2010

ALBERT A. CARTER, Chairman, District 3

TERRY L. WILLIS, Commissioner, District 1

MIKE WILSON, Commissioner, District 2

ATTEST:

Donna McCallum
Clerk of the Board