

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD
Of Ferry County Commissioners
April 25, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Miller with Commissioner Heath and Dansel present. Also present was Citizen Michael Sternberg.

PLEASE NOTE: The Commissioners' meetings are now being recorded.

Additions & Corrections: Discussion of Forest Capital Agreement and Resolution No. 2011-13 rescinding Resolution No. 2007-13 Claims Agent Designation were added to Consent.

Board Reports:

Commissioner Heath, District #3

April 19, 2011 Commissioner Heath visited the Keller Shop. Then he came to Republic and spoke to Dan Fagerlie regarding the RAC. Mr. Fagerlie does not have a project but the Weed Board has submitted a project for funding.

Tri County Health – April 20, 2011 Commissioner Heath attended the Tri County Health meeting in Pend Orielle County. Discussion was held on retirement. Tri County Health did a tobacco compliance survey where they have teenagers attempt to purchase tobacco. They had a 27% failure rate of stores selling tobacco to minors.

Inchelium School – April 21, 2011 Commissioner Heath attended Inchelium school's earth day where he picked up litter.

Commissioner Dansel, District #2

Cattleman's Association – April 18, 2011 Commissioner Dansel attended the Cattleman's Association meeting. Commissioner Dansel suggested rescinding the ordinance regarding horses on range areas and re-visit the issue in November. The Cattleman were receptive to that idea. Commissioner Dansel reported that the Cattleman's Association adopted a resolution rejecting wilderness.

Stonerose Open House-April 19, 2011 Commissioner Dansel attended the Stonerose Open House. Commissioner Dansel reported that it was a great event and Stonerose is a great asset to our community.

Columbia River Policy Advisory Group – April 20, 2011 Commissioner Dansel attended the Columbia River Policy Advisory Group meeting in Moses Lake. In 1968 the United States signed a treaty with the Canadians called the United States Canadian Columbia River Storage Treaty. The treaty is good until 2024. The Board will be asked to comment on it. The treaty either needs to be renewed, not renewed or amendments made to it which have to be made 10 years in advance. There are several concerns that need to be addressed to protect the County's interest.

County Departments – April 21, 2011 Commissioner Dansel met with the Assessor's Office, Auditor's Office, Treasurer's Office and the Clerks Office. The Clerks invited Commissioner Dansel to Superior Court on Friday which he attended and he was impressed with their work. They make an effort to conserve resources.

Commissioner Miller, District #1

Community Mobilization – April 18, 2011 Commissioner Miller attended the Community Mobe meeting and they are concerned about budget cuts. Community Mobe is the outreach to the community focusing on curbing teenage drinking. Currently they are getting their administrative assistance from NEW Alliance. The cost of which will wipe out their funding. Commissioner Miller encouraged them to continue the program until they are sure of their budget.

Stonerose Open House – April 19, 2011 Commissioner Miller attended the Stonerose Open House and is very impressed with the displays and believes it a definite asset to our community.

State E911 – April 21, 2011 Commissioner Miller attended the State E911 meeting in Camp Murray on Thursday. The good news is the Governor has not swept the funds for the next generation equipment upgrade. They did reorganize and the new director is Robert Ezelle. Mr. Ezelle will be in charge of the Emergency Management System and E911 which are combining. Commissioner Miller discovered that the Department of Revenue offers an online county funds report for E911 on their website.

Three Rivers Ranger District – April 22, 2011 Commissioner Miller attended a conference call with Jimmy Corvino from Three Rivers Ranger District who is doing the pre scoping on the Paradise Peak. This project will enhance the browse for wildlife. Commissioner Miller commented on this and advised the Forest Service that this is the coordination that the County is asking for.

Minute Approval: After review and discussion Commissioner Dansel made a motion to approve the minutes of April 18, 2011 as corrected. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor

Correspondence Review:

Memo to Payroll/Accounts Payable Deputy Auditor regarding payroll change for MIS Tech II position. (Exhibit 1)

Letter to N.E.W. RTPO requesting modification of the Transportation Enhancement Grant for the Rail Corridor decking and railing of the trestle at the north end of Curlew Lake. (Exhibit 2)

Elected Officials & Department Heads: Assessor Rachel Siracuse, Jail Sergeant Judy Gard, Risk Manager Jill Gates, Maintenance Director Erin McBride, WSU Agent Dan Fagerlie, Ferry County Clerk Jean Booher, Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol, Fairgrounds Business Manager

Cathy Lindsey and Connections Director Kate Rowe Malorett met with the Board to give updates.

Courthouse Boiler Ms. McBride reported that the boiler does not want to fire and needs a service call. Mr. Fagerlie spoke with his Public Affiliate Energy Coordinator and he suggested that it might be worth looking into an electric boiler as one option that could be a substantial annual savings.

Keys The Board informed the group that an extra set of keys for the courthouse are located at the jail and if they change their locks those keys need to be updated. Ms. Bechtol suggested that MIS needs a set of keys along with the Risk Manager.

ADA Lift Training Ms. Gates gave an update on the replacement unit and keys to the lift. Ms. Gates has inquired with the Prosecutor if the county can restrict access to the keys to reduce the possibility of the lift being misused. Currently the Prosecutor's Office, the Auditor's Office, and District Court have keys to operate the lift along with the Risk Management.

Prosecutor's Annex Ms. Siracuse inquired about the Prosecutor's Annex. The funding for the last of the remodel has been approved and it should not be long before the Prosecutor's Office moves in. Ms. Siracuse inquired about the current plans on the empty space that will be created. The Board suggested that the MIS may be a better fit in that space to protect the equipment. The Board would like to hear any additional suggestions for use of the office space.

Court Facilitator Fund Ms. Booher reported that she has enough money in the fund to contract with a Court Facilitator. This will help the public complete their paperwork for family law cases. The Court Facilitator would be available one day a month.

Cell Phone Policy Ms. Gates has had other pending issues and has been unable to research the county cell phone policy.

Front Steps Ms. Gates reported that she has not received a reply from the contractor from whom she requested an estimate. Therefore she has contacted Beaver Built Construction for an estimate last Friday and is awaiting a reply. The Board also suggested Bob Kirkham as a possible contact for an estimate.

Personnel Policy Memo Ms. Siracuse requested clarification on the memo for the personnel policy. The Department Heads and Elected Officials thought the memo was unclear. The Board advised that they plan on meeting May 17th to review the Personnel Policy and address the areas that they feel need changed. Then they will present the changes to the Personnel Policy Committee for their review. After they have reviewed the draft changes the Personnel Policy Committee will meet with a representative from the Board to make a final review.

Assessor – Treasurer Software Update Ms. Siracuse advised that the update has begun for the Assessor and Treasurers database. The actual conversion should take place in June.

WSU Extension Mr. Fagerlie reported that WSU is restructuring the county extension offices. Mr. Fagerlie informed the Board that they may be asked to complete a survey as to how our extension office should be structured.

Budgets Ms. Siracuse inquired about the state budgets. The Board advised that the state transportation budget is on the Governor's desk. The average estimated decrease in assistance from the state is 3.4%. The good news is that the funding for the Keller Ferry replacement is in the transportation budget. The Board thanked all the departments for being conservative with their spending.

Wilderness Areas Commissioner Dansel advised that he is taking a public stance opposing wilderness areas in Ferry County.

Commissioner Staff Update: Fairgrounds Business Manager Cathy Lindsey, Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol, and Deputy Clerk of the Board Teri Kinney met with the Board to give updates.

Fairgrounds Ms. Lindsey presented the Board with the contracts from the Department of Natural Resources for the fire camps. Ms. Lindsey advised that they have taken the Carousel building off the contracts as requested. Ms. Lindsey reported that she picked up the tents from the repair shop. Three were repaired and one was not repairable. The total cost was \$323. Ms. Lindsey advised the Board that the upper portion of the hoods over the grills have been professionally cleaned. The last time they were cleaned was six years ago. The total cost for the cleaning was \$748. The Board advised that the hamburger stand should be done every year.

Range Area Ordinance Ms. Bechtol advised that rescinding the ordinance will require a public hearing. The Board requested Ms. Bechtol to move forward with the process for rescinding the ordinance. Commissioner Heath objected. Ms. Bechtol will advertise the public hearing for 2 weeks and schedule the public hearing for the 16th of May.

MIS Tech II Position Ms. Bechtol provided the Board with a job description for the MIS Tech II position. Ms. Bechtol advised the Board that MIS Director Darrell Dirks has reviewed the job description and has approved it.

Rail Corridor Committee Ms. Bechtol advised the Board that she has received a request from the Rail Corridor Committee Chair Bobbie Weller asking her to advertise for a new committee member. Ms. Bechtol also received a request for approval from the Board on moving forward with and designated trailhead and for temporary parking on the rail corridor. Ms. Bechtol provided the Board with a map of the areas. The Board approved the signs for the rail corridor. The Board did not approve the temporary parking on Lone Ranch Creek Road due to the close proximity to a private residence. The Board would prefer an option in the town of Danville.

Redistricting Ms. Bechtol has received a request from Auditor Dianna Galvan for a representative on a committee for redistricting. It can be a member of the Board or the Board can appoint a representative from the office. The Board appointed Commissioner Dansel to be the representative.

Clerks Conference Ms. Bechtol reminded the Board that the Clerk Conference is May 5th & 6th in Ellensburg. Deputy Clerk of the Board Teri Kinney and Ms. Bechtol will be out of the office

those days. Commissioner Dansel and Commissioner Miller volunteered to help cover the office to keep it open.

Consent:

MIS Tech II Job Description After review and discussion Commissioner Heath made a motion to adopt the new MIS Tech II Job Description. Commissioner Dansel seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor. (Exhibit 3)

Rail Corridor Committee Advertisement request for letters of interest in serving on the Rail Corridor Committee. (Exhibit 4)

Resolution No. 2011-20 CDL Endorsement Policy of Requirements and Procedures After review and discussion Commissioner Dansel made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-20 CDL Endorsement Policy of Requirements and Procedures. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor. (Exhibit 5)

Resolution No. 2011-21 CRP 102 Countywide Guardrails Amending Resolution No. 2010-29 After review and discussion Commissioner Dansel made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-21 CRP 102 Countywide Guardrails. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor. (Exhibit 6)

Resolution No. 2011-22 CRP 121 Ferry County Run-Off-Road Safety Project After review and discussion Commissioner Dansel made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-22 CRP 121 Ferry County Run-Off-Road Safety Project. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor. (Exhibit 7)

Resolution No. 2011-13 Rescinding Resolution No. 2007-13 Claims Agent Designation After review and discussion Commissioner Heath made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-13 Claims Agent Designation. Commissioner Dansel seconded the motion and the motion carried with all in favor. (Exhibit 8)

Ferry County Order to Refund Property Taxes under the provisions of RCW 84.69.020 hereby petitions for a refund of taxes extended upon the tax rolls of Ferry County for the years 2008-2010. (Exhibits 9, 10, & 11)

State of Washington Department of Natural Resources Emergency Land Use Rental Agreement for a location for tenting and staging firefighters. (Exhibit 12)

State of Washington Department of Natural Resources Emergency Land Use Rental Agreement for a base camp for housing/staging/ and logistical support of a type 2 Incident Management Team and all respective command and general staff including various firefighting resources. (Exhibit 13)

State of Washington Department of Natural Resources Emergency Land Use Rental Agreement for a base camp for housing/staging/ and logistical support of a type 3 Incident Management Team and all respective command and general staff including various firefighting resources. (Exhibit 14)

GMA Questions & Update: GMA Attorney Brian Amsbary met with the Board via telephone to answer questions and give an update. Pursuant to RCW 4.30.110 (1) (i) Commissioner Miller called an Executive Session at 1:05 p.m. Present were Planning Director Irene Whipple, Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol and Deputy Clerk of the Board Teri Kinney. This was to review pending litigation regarding GMA compliance. The session was scheduled from 1:05 p.m. to 1:35 p.m. At 1:35 p.m. the Board came out of Executive Session with no decisions made. Mr. Amsbary left the telephone conference at 1:40. Discussion was held regarding the 60 day comment period and if the Critical Areas Ordinance changes have been made in the document.

Bid Opening –Bridge Creek 4 HMA Paving & Cement Treated Base: At 2:00 p.m. a bid opening was held at the Commissioner’s office for the Bridge Creek 4 HMA Paving & Cement Treated Base at which time bids were publicly opened and read. A sign in sheet is on file. The bids were received as follows:

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| Knife River | \$753,983.00 | (Exhibit 15) |
| Central Washington Asphalt | \$712,773.00 | (Exhibit 16) |
| Granite Construction Co. | \$923,198.00 | (Exhibit 17) |

Bid Opening –Customs Road HMA Paving & Cement Treated Base: At 2:15 p.m. a bid opening was held at the Commissioner’s office for the Customs Road HMA Paving & Cement Treated Base at which time bids were publicly opened and read. The bids were received as follows:

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| ACI Northwest, Inc. | \$208,388.00 | (Exhibit 18) |
| Knife River | \$147,788.00 | (Exhibit 19) |
| Central Washington Asphalt | \$160,838.00 | (Exhibit 20) |
| Granite Construction Co. | \$186,328.00 | (Exhibit 21) |

Bid Opening –Asphalt Annual Maintenance Seal & Construction Projects: At 2:30 p.m. a bid opening was held at the Commissioner’s office for the Asphalt Annual Maintenance Seal & Construction Projects at which time bids were publicly opened and read. The bids were received as follows:

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| Western States Asphalt, Inc. | \$100,578.63 | (Exhibit 22) |
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Idaho Asphalt Supply, Inc.

\$ 78,117.60

(Exhibit 23)

Public Works Update: Director Troy Reynolds, Office Manager/Controller Shelene Brown, and Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell met with the Board to give updates.

Metal Recycling Ms. Cromwell gave an update on the metal recycling. Ms. Cromwell advised the Board that Dave Wermuth went to Lincoln County to observe their metal recycling program. Solid Waste is ready for the free metal recycling day on April 30th. After the 30th the Transfer Station will be accepting metal for recycling on every Saturday and the only charge will be for refrigerators due to the removal of the Freon.

Forest Capital Mr. Reynolds spoke with Ben Rost from Forest Capital and will be putting a letter together regarding the Long Alec Creek Road. Mr. Reynolds advised that there will be a meeting of stakeholders consisting of the Forest Service, Department of Natural Resources, Ferry County, Forest Capital and anyone else who has an interest in the road. Commissioner Miller will also be attending.

Foreman's Position Mr. Reynolds advised the Board that the Foreman's position in Boyds was advertised in house. They have received only one applicant so far. The deadline is this Friday the 22nd.

Inchelium/Barnaby Creek Road By-pass Mr. Reynolds reported that they hope to start the Inchelium/Barnaby Creek Road by-pass on Wednesday. Mr. Reynolds is looking over the agreement with the Tribe to see how payment for county forces will be implemented.

Fairgrounds Mr. Reynolds reported that they are working at the fairgrounds and should be set up and screening sand within the next few days. Mr. Reynolds advised that this project will be completed before fair time.

Kinross Mr. Reynolds advised that they are patching on the Kettle River Road. Kinross pays 75% of our cost for the repairs done to the road. The Board advised that they have received some complaints on the road. Mr. Reynolds advised that they are repairing the potholes. The Board inquired about a chip seal over the repairs. Mr. Reynolds advised that it has been done in the past and it lasts about three years.

Customs Road Mr. Reynolds reported that he has not been in contact with Kinross regarding the Customs Road. The Board advised that Mr. Reynolds needs to find out what their position is on the gravel pit. Mr. Reynolds has heard that the trucking company is moving out of that pit in a couple of weeks and will not return until the fall. Mr. Reynolds will get in contact with Kinross to find out what their plan is. Mr. Reynolds reported that Kinross was allowed to use that road during restrictions as they have agreed to assist with repairing the road.

N.E. Washington Forestry Coalition: Dave Heflick from Conservation Northwest and Russ Vaagen from Vaagens Brothers Lumber met with the Board to give an update. Sign in sheet on

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file. Mr. Heflick advised the Board that the Coalition has been together for 7 or 8 years now. Mr. Heflick provided a map for the Board showing details of a proposal in the beginning process. The Coalition is still discussing the proposal amongst themselves regarding the details, both of the boundaries and management zones and what they might mean. Mr. Heflick would like the Board to review the map and let the Coalition know of their questions or concerns. There are some wilderness areas on the map that the Coalition is proposing. There are also delayed wilderness areas that could allow discussion on motorized trails that would be affected. Mr. Vaagen advised the Board that his family company, Vaagen Brothers Lumber, still owns 3500 acres in Ferry County. Mr. Vaagen advised that in the proposal is a 20 year timeline to bring the forest back into a healthy state. In the 20 year timeline is the plan to remove 80 million board feet a year off the Colville National Forest, some of which is in Ferry County. This is a significant increase to the 30 to 35 million board feet that is being harvested now. Commissioner Dansel advised that he appreciates Mr. Heflick and Mr. Vaagen coming into the office for the update. However Commissioner Dansel voiced his opinion that he adamantly opposes wilderness areas designations. Commissioner Heath stated that he does not support wilderness and has an open mind for national recreational areas and conservation areas as they are not as restrictive and far more flexible.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until May 2, 2011.

BOARD OF FERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BRAD L. MILLER, Chairman

Approved 5/2/11

ATTEST: _____
Debbie Bechtol, Clerk of the Board