

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD  
Of Ferry County Commissioners  
May 23, 2011**

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

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

**Additions & Corrections:**

**Board Reports:**

**Commissioner Heath, District #3** Commissioner Heath reported that he had no activity to report.

**Commissioner Danel, District #2**

May 16, 2011 Commissioner Danel reported that he attended the City of Republic Council meeting. The Council accepted letters of interest for the vacant council seat. No decisions were made.

May 18, 2011 Commissioner Danel reported that he attended the Kettle River Advisory Board (KRAB) meeting. The KRAB board is working on a calendar of annual duties that need to be scheduled on a regular basis.

May 19, 2011 Commissioner Danel met with the TEDD Interim Director and discussed the Associate Development Organization funds. Commissioner Danel also met with the Republic Road Crew.

May 20, 2011 Commissioner Danel attended the Curlew School career day.

**Commissioner Miller, District #3**

May 18, 2011 Commissioner Miller reported that he attended the Washington Rural County Insurance Pool (WRCIP) and advised that the pool is solvent. The WRCIP is in process of meeting with a 3<sup>rd</sup> party administrator to reviewing the rates. Commissioner Miller also attended the National Association of Counties Conference (NACO) in Wenatchee. While there Commissioner Miller met a liaison with the Department of the Interior that he hopes will be able to help with the Lake Roosevelt Cabins.

May 19, 2011 Commissioner Miller reported that while at the NACO Conference he attended several workshops throughout the day pertaining to small county issues. Commissioner Miller also met with Representative Armstrong who is on the Transportation committee and thanked him for the Keller Ferry funding.

**Minute Approval: :** After review and discussion Commissioner Danel made a motion to approve the minutes of May 17, 2011 as corrected. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

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**Correspondence Review:**

Letter of support for the Ferry County Health Foundation and it's Critical Care Campaign. (Exhibit 1)

Letter of response to the Department of Commerce Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program accepting the CDBG program reduction of the County's FY 2011 CDBG funding request from \$985,000 to \$600,000. (Exhibit 2)

Letter of Authorization approving 4-wheeler access on the Rail Corridor to help with safety and monitoring of the Pedal Paddle Puff event. (Exhibit 3)

**Elected Officials & Department Head Update:** Assessor Rachel Siracuse, Jail Sargeant Judy Gard, Connections Director Kate Rowe Malorett, Juvenile Probation Officer Cleve Ives, Maintenance Director Erin McBride, WSU Extension Agent Dan Fagerlie, Risk Manager Jill Gates and Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol met with the Board to give updates. Ms. McBride advised that the parking lot will be sealed in June or July. Employees will need to park in the outlying areas for two days. Ms. Siracuse advised that the servers went down due to a power bump and it takes a couple of hours to get them back up. Ms. Siracuse reported that the Auditor's office has battery backup for their server and that may be a good idea for MIS. Ms. Bechtol advised that MIS is working to correct the problem. Ms. Siracuse reported that discussion was held on the newspaper and the issues that departments are having. The Board advised that other papers in the area do not qualify as a paper of record. The Board will write a letter to the newspaper explaining their concerns. Ms. Siracuse reported that the Assessor and Treasurer offices are training with new software. Ms. Siracuse advised that notices of revaluations on properties will be mailed out Friday. Ms. Gard advised that the jail had an incident and due to the incident there will be some overtime. Mr. Fagerlie advised that he has his heat specialist researching possible new heating for the courthouse to see if we can save money.

**Commissioners Staff Update:** Maintenance Director Erin McBride and Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol met with the Board to give updates. Ms. McBride requested authorization to purchase a new \$355 lawn mower. The Board approved. Ms. McBride would like work 4 10 hour shift during the week for the summer season. Ms. McBride suggested working Tuesday through Friday from 5 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Board requested some time to consider the request. Ms. McBride inquired about the Prosecutor's Annex and what the Board would like her to do. The Board would like some time to consider this as well. Ms. Bechtol is in the process of scheduling a visit from Washington State Association of Counties Executive Director and President. Ms. Bechtol advised that she is working on a contract between MIS and the title companies. Ms. Bechtol inquired

about the road agreement with the Forest Service. The Board advised they need additional time to complete the agreement. The Board inquired about the hazard mitigation plan. Ms. Bechtol advised that the hazard mitigation plan and community fire plan need to be updated and is doing the research on them.

**Vouchers/Warrants:** Funding in the amount of \$40.00 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #241665 and cancelling warrant/voucher #940512 in the amount of (\$40.00) for the following:  
Clearing Fund in the amount of \$40.00. (Exhibit 4)

**Vouchers/Warrants:** Funding in the amount of \$51,340.00 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #19352-19354 and direct deposit payment advice #107135-107194 for the following:  
Current Expense in the amount of \$22,998.00.  
County Road in the amount of \$21,567.00.  
Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$275.00.  
Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$1,700.00.  
Connections in the amount of \$2,550.00.  
Management Info Systems in the amount of \$1,550.00.  
Insurance Fund in the amount of \$700.00. (Exhibit 5)

**Consent:**

Application for Distributor License for Rick A. Wilson for machines located at the Sportsman and Madonna's. (Exhibit 6)

Resolution No. 2011-25 Opposing "Wilderness Designations" Sign in sheet on file. After review and discussion Commissioner Dandel made a motion to adopt Resolution No. 2011-25 Opposing "Wilderness Designations". Commissioner Heath abstained. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion and the motion carried with the majority vote. (Exhibit 7)

DSHS Agreement on General Terms and Conditions between Washington State Department of Social and Health Services and Ferry County governing work to be performed under any Program Agreement between the parties. (Exhibit 8)

Associate Development Organization Affirmation/Designation Form (ADO) between the State of Washington Department of Commerce and Ferry County designating Tri-County Economic Development as the Associate Development Organization to coordinate economic development services for the county. (Exhibit 9)

**Public Works Update:** Engineer Bob Breshears, Director Troy Reynolds, and Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell met with the Board to give updates. Ms. Cromwell

advised the Board that there was an error in the advertisement for the job opening at the transfer station. The job posting will be open until 27<sup>th</sup> of May. The Board presented Mr. Breshears with a certificate of good standing from the County Road Advisory Board. The Board inquired about the draft secured load ordinance. Ms. Cromwell advised that the Solid Waste Advisory Committee is awaiting the Board's review of the draft ordinance for changes or recommendations. The Board inquired about the Danville Bridge. The corner of the bridge sits on a resident's property and the Board would like to know if there can be a boundary adjustment to correct this problem. Mr. Breshears advised the Board that they will research this matter further. The Board inquired when the new office manager/controller will start. Mr. Reynolds advised she begins on the 25<sup>th</sup> of May. The Board inquired about the spending practices at the county shops. Mr. Breshears and Mr. Reynolds will review these practices to see how they affect the budget. The Board advised that the Safe Routes to School in Inchelium is working very well. Mr. Reynolds advised that John Magateaux contacted him to report that he has a waterline under the rail corridor. Mr. Magateaux wanted Public Works aware of the waterline in the event of repairs that need to be completed due to the washout.

**Curlew Community Sewer System & Wastewater Treatment Update:** Planning Director Irene Whipple met with the Board to give an update on the Curlew Sewer System & Wastewater Treatment Plant. Also present were John Meyer, Troy Reynolds and Margaret Snook. The Community Development Block Grant Program has offered \$600,000 for the Curlew Community Sewer System and Waste water Treatment Plant. This is a reduction from the \$985,000 that was applied for in the grant application. Mr. Meyer advised that the Department of Ecology's loan/grant and Centennial Clean Water grant are also involved in funding of this project. The Board responded to the offer in writing and requested Ms. Whipple move forward with the project.

**Airport Hangars:** Grant Tolton met with the Board to discuss the airport hangars. Also present were Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, John Meyer, and Melissa Rose. Mr. Tolton has some suggestions for the lease agreement. The Board would like to table the matter and discuss it with the airport manager and Mr. Reynolds.

**ADA lift:** Auditor Dianna Galvan, Chief Deputy Controller Joyce Schertenleib, Risk Manager Jill Gates, and Prosecuting Attorney Mike Sandona met with the Board to discuss the ADA lift. Also present was Melissa Rose. Ms. Galvan advised the Board that the lift is working. Ms. Galvan advised that an opinion was requested as to whether the keys required to operate the ADA lift need to be left in the ADA lift. Mr. Sandona has not found an RCW or a WAC that forbids assistance with the lift. Mr. Sandona suggested

that we request a dispensation from the ADA that allows assistance. The Board suggested that a policy should be written to state that a certified trained operator may operate the ADA lift. That certified trained operator does not necessarily need to be an employee. The certified trained operator could be a disabled person who has been trained on the operation of the ADA lift. The Board requested a phone be put on the landing at the front entrance of the courthouse for the public to call for assistance.

**Commissioners Working Session:** The Board held a working session where they discussed various issues.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned until June 6, 2011.

BOARD OF FERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

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BRAD L. MILLER, Chairman

**Approved 6/7/11**

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Debbie Bechtol, Clerk of the Board