

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD
Of Ferry County Commissioners
August 29, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 8:02 a.m. by Chairman Miller with Commissioner Heath and Dansel present. Also present was Citizen Michael Sternberg.

Additions & Corrections to the Agenda: Clerk of the Board update was added to the agenda at 10:15 a.m. Citizen Bill Page was added to the agenda at 11:45 a.m.

Phone Conference regarding Ruckelshaus Bill & Forest Service Plan: Stevens County Commissioners Larry Guenther, Don Dashiell and Malcolm Friedman, and Pend Oreille County Commissioners Diane Wear, Laura Merrill and John Hankey were present via speaker phone. Also present was Planning Director Irene Whipple, Sharon Shumate, Lorna Johnson, Gary Howden and Brenda Starkey. Discussion was held on the agenda for the upcoming Tri County Commissioners meeting to be held on September 28 at 8:30 a.m. in Colville. Focus of the meeting will be regarding the Forest Plan Revision. Commissioner Merrill will draft a comment letter and then each county will attach a letter to accompany the comment letter with specific points of view for that county. The comment period for the Forest Plan Revision expires the same day as the Tri County Commissioners meeting. Stevens County suggested that the appointment of Judge Rebecca Baker's replacement be included on the agenda for the Tri County Commissioners meeting. Governor Christine Gregoire will be appointing Judge Baker's replacement. Pend Orielle County Commissioners left the meeting at 9:35 a.m. Stevens County Commissioners advised the Board that they are meeting with National Parks Service's Supervisor Debbie Bird on September 20th. The topic of conversation will focus around the Lake Roosevelt Cabins and Stevens County Commissioner's invited the Board to attend. Stevens County Commissioners left the meeting at 10:10 a.m.

Clerk of the Board Update: Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol met with the Board to give an update. Ms. Bechtol inquired about the new Fairgrounds Maintenance Supervisor's work schedule. Ms. Bechtol reported that the Fairgrounds Maintenance Supervisor is being trained for fair time and those hours were not budgeted. The Board advised Ms. Bechtol that the Fairgrounds Maintenance Supervisor needs to work the same hours along with the outgoing Fairgrounds Maintenance Supervisor so he is abreast of what is needed during the fair. Ms. Bechtol advised that she has received the dues invoice for Tri County Economic Development (TEDD). The dues include an increase that was not included in the preliminary budget. The Board requested that Ms. Bechtol send a letter to TEDD advising that the County will only be paying for the dues as budgeted in the preliminary budget.

Bid Opening –Metal Recycling: At 11:30 a.m. a bid opening was held at the Commissioner’s office for the Metal Recycling at which time bids were publicly opened and read. Public Works Director Troy Reynolds was present. The bids were received as follows:

Cascade Valley Construction \$90.00 per ton(Exhibit 1)

Public Works Director: Public Works Director Troy Reynolds met with the Board to discuss an email from Couse’s Sanitation. After review and discussion the decision was made to close the Transfer Station on Monday September 5, 2011 for the Labor Day Holiday to the commercial hauler.

Bjork Ranch Road: Citizen Bill Page met with the Board to discuss Bjork Ranch Road. Mr. Page informed the Board that there are a few hazardous trees hanging over the road on Bjork Ranch Road that are in the county right-of-way. Commissioner Miller will discuss this problem with Public Works.

Minute Approval: After review and discussion Commissioner Heath made a motion to approve the minutes of August 15, 2011 as corrected. Commissioner Dansel seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

With no further business, the Board adjourned until September 6, 2011.

BOARD OF FERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FERRY COUNTY, WASHINGTON

BRAD L. MILLER, Chairman

ATTEST: **Approved 9/12/11**

Debbie Bechtol, Clerk of the Board