

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD
Of Ferry County Commissioners
November 7, 2011**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 a.m. by Chairman Miller with Commissioner Dandel and Heath present.

Additions & Corrections to the Agenda: Sheriff Pete Warner was added to the agenda at 10:20 a.m.

Board Reports:

Commissioner Heath, District #3:

RC&D Commissioner Heath reported that he attended the RC&D in Spokane where they discussed the Kulzer audit. They also approved a contract with Gary Mitchell to conduct oversight on current and future projects. The 2012 proposed budget was also reviewed.

Commissioner Dandel, District #2:

County Halloween Potluck Commissioner Dandel reported that he attended the County Halloween Potluck. It was a pleasant event with a good turnout.

Elected Officials and Department Heads Commissioner Dandel reported that he met with various Elected Officials and Department Heads.

Public Works All Staff Commissioner Dandel advised that he attended the Public Works All Staff meeting.

Rail Corridor Committee Commissioner Dandel reported that he attended the Rail Corridor Committee meeting and they discussed the ADA Trail Ordinance for Non-Motorized Trails and the draft Rail Corridor Encroachment Permit.

Republic School District Levy Committee Commissioner Dandel reported that he attended the Republic School District Levy Committee meeting.

New Superior Court Judge Pat Monasmith Commissioner Dandel reported that he met the newly appointed Superior Court Judge Pat Monasmith.

Commissioner Miller, District #1:

Regional Support Network (RSN) Merger Commissioner Miller reported that he listened in on the RSN merger meeting with Bob Schwartz from the NEW Alliance Counseling office.

Public Works All Staff Commissioner Miller advised that he attended the Public Works All Staff meeting. Commissioner Miller stated that he appreciates the opportunity to talk with the crews.

Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Commissioner Miller reported that he met with Okanogan-Wenatchee National Forest Supervisor Rebecca Heath. Also present were Tonasket District Ranger Dale Olson, Okanogan County Commissioner Jim Detro, Representative Shelly Short on speaker phone, Senator Bob Morton, Representative Joel Kretz, and Mike Poulson from Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers office. The

message was it is all about jobs. Discussion was held on the delays in the permitting process for exploration on Buckhorn Mountain and it is causing concerns.

Minute Approval: After review and discussion Commissioner Dansel made a motion to approve the minutes of November 1, 2011 as corrected. Commissioner Heath seconded the motion. The motion carried with all in favor.

Clerk of the Board Update: Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol met with the Board to give an update. Ms. Bechtol advised the Board that she met with WSU Forestry personnel regarding Title III projects. Steve Harris submitted a multi-year Firewise project that fits the requirements of Title III. Ms. Bechtol will be meeting with Mr. Harris to review his timeline. The Board inquired about the next step. Ms. Bechtol reported that she will review Mr. Harris's project timeline and funding request and then review the Conservation District's project. Ms. Bechtol inquired about an addition bill for the jail kiosks in the amount of \$1000. Ms. Bechtol advised that distressed areas funds can be used for the kiosks. The Board approved the use of the distress areas funds. Ms. Bechtol reported that she has researched the Public Defender contracts and does not see where indigent defense services are included. These services will need to be in a separate contract.

Sheriff Pete Warner: Sheriff Pete Warner met with the Board to get authorization to purchase a replacement freezer for the jail's food storage. Food is currently being stored at Anderson's Grocery store as the unit is no longer working and cannot be repaired. Sheriff Warner advised that a replacement unit will be \$7,000; however they will receive \$2,000 trade in value for the broken unit. The Board approved.

Planning Update: Planning Director Irene Whipple met with the Board to give an update. Also present was Citizen Scott Simmons. Ms. Whipple would like authorization to advertise for Planning Commission members. The Board approved. Ms. Whipple provided the Board with information regarding the GMA appeals. There will be a phone conference Tuesday at the Planning Department at 10:00 a.m. on the new appeal. Ms. Whipple inquired if the Board was meeting with the Colville Confederated Tribes on Monday the 14th. The Board advised Ms. Whipple that was correct and it is being held at the Long House in Keller. Ms. Whipple inquired about the Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP). The Board has scheduled a public meeting on Tuesday November 29th from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Courtroom. Mr. Simmons is concerned that the VSP will go the same way as GMA. Mr. Simmons advised the Board that he has written some language to provide a trigger if the legislation changes the rules that the county can opt out of the voluntary program.

Consent:

Ferry County Weed Board Funds Transfer in the amount of \$16.66 to Ferry County Solid Waste for Torboy Transfer station invoice #L88448. (Exhibit 1)

Grant Agreement for the Joint City of Republic – Ferry County Housing Authority’s housing and essential needs. (Exhibit 2)

Nate’s Electric bid for three ceiling fans for the fairgrounds barn paid for by Kinross. (Exhibit 3)

Advertisement for Ferry County Commissioner’s regular meeting to be held in Keller on November 14, 2011. (Exhibit 8)

Vouchers/Warrants: Funding in the amount of \$12,841.20 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #243520-243522 for the following:

Current Expense in the amount of \$12,841.20. (Exhibit 4)

Vouchers/Warrants: Funding in the amount of \$51,290.83 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #243523-243606 for the following:

Current Expense in the amount of \$34,240.04.

County Road in the amount of \$607.95.

Auditor’s O&M in the amount of \$42.24.

Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$2,035.26.

Grant Fund in the amount of \$165.75.

Court Facilitator in the amount of \$200.00.

Inmate Welfare in the amount of \$880.07.

Law Library in the amount of \$828.01.

Crime Victims in the amount of \$48.84.

Tourism in the amount of \$1,980.69.

Fair Grounds Management in the amount of \$675.10.

Connections in the amount of \$1,317.02.

Distressed Area in the amount of \$250.20.

Management Info Systems in the amount of \$1,090.95.

Insurance Fund in the amount of \$1,438.94.

Fire District #3 in the amount of \$1,121.23.

Inchelium Water District in the amount of \$3,401.48.

E.M.S. District in the amount of \$52.62.

Mosquito Control District in the amount of \$914.44. (Exhibit 5)

Vouchers/Warrants: Funding in the amount of \$(673.13) has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #243607 and canceling warrant #943478 for the following:

Current Expense in the amount of \$(673.13). (Exhibit 6)

Vouchers/Warrants: Funding in the amount of \$430,465.74 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of warrant/voucher #19662-19704 and direct deposit advice #108121-108247 for the following:

Current Expense in the amount of \$203,009.12.

County Road in the amount of \$130,856.27.

Fair Association in the amount of \$401.45.

Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$1,371.80.

Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$35,198.91.

Grant Fund in the amount of \$849.77.

Weed in the amount of \$4,816.39.

Fairgrounds Management in the amount of \$1,873.63.

Connections in the amount of \$29,413.63.

Management Info Systems in the amount of \$7,559.19.

Insurance Fund in the amount of \$3,177.75.

Fire District #13 in the amount of \$349.86.

Fire District #14 in the amount of \$1,924.25.

Fire District #3 in the amount of \$1,049.59.

Curlew Water in the amount of \$215.30.

Inchelium Water District in the amount of \$2,664.35.

EMS District #1 in the amount of \$5,114.22.

Mosquito Control in the amount of \$620.06. (Exhibit 7)

Disability Advisory Board: Auditor Dianna Galvan and Risk Manager Jill Gates met with the Board to discuss the Disability Advisory Board for the Ferry County Courthouse. Ms. Galvan advised that the Help America Vote Act (HAVA) has a grant that will help the Risk Manager organize a disability advisory board that will provide recommendations on how the courthouse can become accessible for people with disabilities. Included in the grant would also be reimbursements for ADA related repairs that have been paid for by the county. However an active disability advisory board is required. The minimum membership can consist of the Risk Manager, the Auditor and one other member. The Board approved and requested Ms. Gates to complete the necessary requirements to acquire the grant.

Prosecutor's Preliminary Budget Review: Prosecuting Attorney Mike Sandona, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Mike Golden, Office Administrative Assistant Cindy Nelson,

Clerk of the Board Debbie Bechtol and Chief Deputy Controller Joyce Schertenleib met with the Board to discuss the Prosecutor's Preliminary Budget.

Commissioner's Working Session: The Board of Commissioner's held a working session on various issues. Present was Gary Douvia representing Sherman Creek Vacation Cabin sites. Mr. Douvia is very concerned with the draft agreement provided by the National Parks Service regarding the Lake Roosevelt Vacation Cabins. Mr. Douvia suggested an interagency agreement between the Bureau of Reclamation and Ferry County so that Ferry County can oversee the vacation cabins instead of the National Parks Service. The Board requested that Mr. Douvia forward a copy of an agreement with the Bureau of Reclamation for their review.

Commissioner Heath requested that Commissioner Miller represent Ferry County at the November 17th meeting at Martin Hall.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4 p.m. until November 8, 2011.

BOARD OF FERRY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BRAD L. MILLER, Chairman

Approved 11/21/11

ATTEST: _____
Debbie Bechtol, Clerk of the Board