

**ADJOURNED MEETING OF THE BOARD
Ferry County Commissioners
October 28th, 2013**

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Chairman Miller with Commissioner Danel, and Commissioner Blankenship present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda:

Executive Session

Per RCW 41.30.110(1) (g) the Board was in Executive session from 8:10 until 8:25 am to discuss personnel issues. No decisions were made and no actions were taken at this time.

Board Reports

Commissioner Blankenship:

Commissioner Blankenship had nothing to report.

Commissioner Danel:

Commissioner Danel attended the Fred Kelly Grant event hosted by the Stevens County Cattlemen on Thursday. Commissioner Danel attended the Fred Kelly Grant event at the Fair Grounds hosted by the Stevens County Cattlemen on Thursday.

Commissioner Miller:

Commissioner Miller attended the Republic City Council meeting. City council discussed the enforcement of the current Sanitation Contract. Commissioner Miller attended the Fred Kelly Grant event at the Fair Grounds hosted by the Stevens County Cattlemen.

Planning Update:

Planning Director Irene Whipple and GMA counsel Michael Golden came before the Board to give an update on the Draft Comprehensive plan and discuss specific sections of the plan that the Board had discussed with Ms. Whipple and the public at the October 21st, hearing of the Comp Plan.

Mr. Golden discussed the proposed language and changes that could be made to make the Plan acceptable and reasonable for Ferry County property owners.

The Board discussed the point system that has been used to designate Ag lands of significance.

Ms. Whipple will return with the suggested changes to the wording of the access to the Comp Plan at the scheduled 1:30 Hearing.

Citizen Ron O'Halloran:

Ron O' Halloran came before the Board to speak with the Commissioners regarding a petition that he is submitting to the Ferry County View. He has sent an email to Senator Murray and Cantwell for consideration of supporting HB 761 which states that permitting on federal lands needs to take place within 30 months. The Commissioners signed the petition to show their support for the bill.

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Republic District Ranger Robert Sanchez:

Present were District Ranger Robert Sanchez, Travis Fletcher Range Management Specialist, and Eric McQuay Recreation Program Officer. The Republic District Ranger came before the Board at the invitation of the Commissioners. Mr. Blankenship asked for an update on the grazing allotment that had been appealed some time ago. Mr. Fletcher explained that the Forest Service's decision was upheld on that matter. Mr. Blankenship asked if there had been any. Mr. Sanchez explained that there was not a time frame to limit future litigation but at this point there had not been anything filed. Mr. Blankenship asked about the status of the Deer Jasper project. Mr. Sanchez stated that due to the governmental shut down the process is about three weeks behind.

The Board was presented with three maps that represented a request made for allotment boundaries, and proposed wilderness areas.

The Board discussed the maps contents with the Forest service representative. The Board also discussed the upcoming projects and a rough timeline of what would be happening with all of the projects.

Mr. Sanchez stated that the intent was to have the Walker Project sold prior to January 15th.

The windstorm salvage has been finished around Quartz and Trout Creek. The District office has cleaned up there

10 mile campground work has been completed and the final cleanup will be finished soon and the campground will be able to open in the spring.

Commissioner Blankenship stated that when the Deer Jasper project begins he would like to see firewood units open to Commercial permits.

Mr. Sanchez informed the Board that the Capitol Christmas Tree will be in Republic November 6th, at the Republic School parking lot from 10:30 till 12:00.

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib: Budgets:

Ms. Schertenleib met with the Board to review the preliminary budget. The Board started reviewing budgets for individual departments.

Consent Items:

The Board was presented with a letter containing a recommendation to appoint Mellissa Harding to the North Central Regional Library Board. The Board approved to the appointment of Ms. Harding.

Minutes Approval:

Commissioner Dansel moved approve the minutes with the recommended changes

Commissioner Miller seconded the motion with Commissioner Blankenship abstaining. The motion carried.

Ferry County Clerk Jean Booher:

Ms. Booher came before the Board to ask about having Jury room/ Courthouse capacity signs posted and what fund the costs could be covered by. The Board approved the expenditure.

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Ms. Booher informed the Board that the State will be taking her copy machine that they had previously funded. The Clerks budget for 2014 will need to be adjusted for the added expense.

Critical Areas & Compliance regulations Ordinance

Ms. Irene Whipple presented the Board with the Ferry County Comprehensive Plan Ordinance 2013-03(ex.1), Ferry County Critical Areas Ordinance 2013-04(ex.#2), and Ferry County Development Regulations Ordinance 2013-05(ex.#3).

Commissioner Miller moved to accept the findings of fact the motion carried two to one for the adoption of the Findings of Fact and Conclusion regarding adoption of amendments to the Comprehensive Plan and Development Regulations (ex.#4.).

Commissioner Blankenship moved to accept Ordinance 2013-03 Commissioner Miller seconded the motion with Commissioner Dandel objecting, Commissioner Blankenship moved to accept Ordinance 2013-04 Commissioner Miller seconded the motion with Commissioner Dandel objecting, , Commissioner Blankenship moved to accept Ordinance 2013-05 Commissioner Miller seconded the motion with Commissioner Dandel objecting.

All ordinances carried with a vote of 2 in favor and 1 opposing.

Public Works Update:

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds and Human Resources Manager Jill Gates met with the Board to give an update on the hiring process for the Incheilium shops. The interviews have been conducted and an offer has been extended to one of the candidates.

Department Head /Maintenance Update:

Present were Jill Gates and Rachel Siracuse to discuss the job description for the Maintenance Janitorial position (Ex.#5). Ms. Gates would like the Board to approve the job description and approve a wage so that she may begin advertising.

Ms. Gates asked permission to run the advertising and job descriptions. Commissioner Dandel moved to approve a wage of \$27,187.41 for the full-time Lead Custodian Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried. Commissioner Dandel moved to approve a part time custodian \$12.00 an hour for 5 hours a day 5 days a week, not to exceed 29 hours a week, Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion, the motion carried with all in favor. Ms. Gates will put the advertisements in the paper for the positions this week.

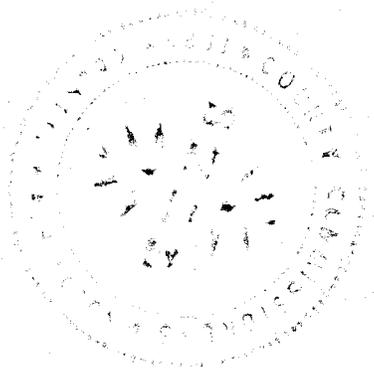
BOCC Clerk Update:

Deputy Clerk Pamela Stoddard came before the Board to ask for a temporary emergency hire for two days, a week up to 3 days a week if possible, in the absence of the Clerk of the Board. Commissioner Dandel moved to appoint Ms. Stoddard the Interim Clerk of the Board and to offer a temporary part time position to a Courthouse employee who is currently working part time. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion the motion passed with all in favor.

Unfinished Business:

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM until November 4th, 2013.

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FERRY COUNTY WASHINGTON

Brad L. Miller
Brad L. Miller, CHAIRMAN

absent
Brian Dandel, VICE-CHAIR

Mike Blankenship
Mike Blankenship, MEMBER

ATTEST:

Hayley Cohen
Hayley Cohen
Clerk of the Board