

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday November 9, 2015**

The meeting was opened at 9:00AM by Commissioner Miller with Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Blankenship present.

Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

Fairgrounds Budget discussion was rescheduled.

Board Reports

Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller attended the Canvassing Board for the elections on Tuesday. Commissioner Miller attended the Orientation Meeting presented by the Washington State Department of Emergency Management with representatives from FEMA. Commissioner Miller attended the Board Meeting for the Washington Counties Insurance Fund. Commissioner Miller reported that if the County can attain 40% on the wellness program and by moving to the Prime network our renewal will be an increase of 2.75% instead of the 8.75% increase on the Heritage network. Commissioner Miller attended a meeting at the Forest Service in regards to their recovery efforts after the fires.

Commissioner Davis

Commissioner Davis the RRAD Meeting. Commissioner Davis attended the Ferry County All Staff Meeting. Commissioner Miller spoke with District Court Judge Brown Drug Court. Commissioner Davis spoke with Jeff Koffel from Tri County and Trevor Lane. Commissioner Davis attended a Drug Court Meeting. Commissioner Davis attended a Risk Insurance Meeting. Commissioner Davis and Sheriff Ray Maycumber drove up to Kinross and spoke with Deana Zakar and Greg Palmier. Commissioner Davis attended the City of Republic Meeting. Commissioner Davis attended the Natural Resource Board.

Commissioner Blankenship

Commissioner Blankenship attended the Farm Bureau Meeting. Discussion was held on Contained Area Feeding Operation (CAFO). Commissioner Blankenship attended the Farm Bureau Dinner. Commissioner Blankenship reported that an American Lands Council speaker gave a presentation.

Fairgrounds Update & Budget

Fairgrounds Manager Wayne Egner came before the Board to give an update on the two Washington State grants that were received for new walkways for the Fairgrounds. Mr. Egner reported that this year's grant is for Health and Safety. Damage to the Horse Barns from the wind storm was estimated at \$83,000. Mr. Egner reported that \$73,651 was received from the insurance company for the damages. Mr. Egner reported that only \$10,000 was needed to make up the difference. Mr. Egner stated that he would like to put in eave lighting for the horse barns.

Mr. Egner asked the Board if they would like to contribute to the fund for improvements. Mr. Egner would like to put in an underground sprinkler system by the concession stands and a new hose reel

for the parking field. Mr. Egner received an estimate of \$7,950 for the hose reel and \$620 for pressure tank from Fogle. The hose system the Fairgrounds use at present is 50 psi and the new hose system would be 80 psi. Mr. Egner reported that the hose reel and pressure tank together would be \$9,903. Mr. Egner reported that the estimate for the underground sprinkler system was \$23,000. Mr. Egner stated that Sue Egner was going to apply for a grant to help with the costs of repairs and improvements. Commissioner Miller stated that the Board may be willing to support the new hose reel.

Mr. Egner expressed concerns about heating the upper portion of the Event Barn for roller skating during the winter. Mr. Egner stated that there are two propane heaters in the room, but it can be very expensive to heat the room this winter. Mr. Egner expressed concerns about having the parking lot plowed during the winter for the roller skating events. Commissioner Blankenship suggested that the public use the plowed Carousel lot for skating events so there won't need to be any additional plowing done.

Mr. Egner reported that the livestock scale was certified accurate. Mr. Egner would like to have three people run the scale, two people to check the weight, and one person to make sure there is nothing obstructing the scale. Mr. Egner stated that in the past the animal weight was being rounded up or down and now recommends giving accurate weights. The Fair Board would like to get an electronic livestock scale if the funds can be raised. The Board approved the Hose Reel request for the Fairgrounds.

Minutes

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the minutes for November 2, 2015 as corrected. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship abstained. The motion carried 2-0.

Commissioners Working Session

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib was present. Senator Dansel arrived at 11:10 A.M.

Commissioner Blankenship asked Ms. Schertenleib to take all raises out of the preliminary budgets. Commissioner Blankenship stated that if the Board can find the money for raises, they will add them back in later.

Senator Dansel asked the Board if they had any recommendations on areas for upcoming legislation. Commissioner Davis stated that they didn't at this time, but would let him know if something came up.

Consent and Vouchers

The Commissioners approved the roll-over of the Snowplowing contract for Tyler Fagley for the Courthouse area. (Ex.#1)

Suzie Fode emailed a request to the Commissioners for signature regarding the Assignment, Assumption and Consent Agreement Xerox Lease Agreement. The Chairman signed the Agreement. (Ex.#2)

Funding in the amount of \$460,588.71 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment Warrant/Voucher No. 318027-318061 (Ex.#3)

Current Expense Fund in the amount of \$228,656.45

County Road Fund in the amount of \$135,785.50
Auditor's O&M Fund in the amount of \$3,964.91
Enhanced 911 Fund in the amount of \$36,957.63
Crime Victims Fund in the amount of \$345.01
Weed Fund in the amount of \$6,304.72
Solid Waste Fund in the amount of \$12,846.75
Management Information Systems Fund in the amount of \$9,750.59
Insurance Fund in the amount of \$3,330.76
Fire District #13 Fund in the amount of \$538.25
Fire District #14 Fund in the amount of \$3,875.40
Fire District #3 Fund in the amount of \$1,776.23
Curlew Water Fund in the amount of \$1,146.47
Inchelium Water District Fund in the amount of \$4,027.36
EMS District #1 Fund in the amount of \$10,703.52
Mosquito Control Fund in the amount of \$579.16

Lunch

The Board recessed for Lunch at 12:08 PM and reconvened at 1:00 PM.

Public Works/Solid Waste Update & FEMA Discussion

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Public Works Controller/Office Manager Sharon Sattler, Engineer Bob Breshears, Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell, Sunshine Disposal Manager Rick Buffer, Sheriff Ray Maycumber, Chief Civil Deputy Amy Rooker, Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Auditor Dianna Galvan, Community Member Carol Devlin and Ferry County Assembly Robert Platt came before the Board to discuss FEMA. Commissioner Miller stated one person should field questions for FEMA requests. Sheriff Maycumber reported that Amy Rooker held that position. All personal FEMA requests need to be in within 60 days after November 4th, 2015. Commissioner Miller stated that staff taking the time to make copies for FEMA requests will need to document their time. Commissioner Miller stated that all FEMA records need to be retained for 6 years. Sheriff Maycumber stated November 19th, 2015 is the deadline for getting in the official FEMA request for Ferry County. Commissioner Miller volunteered to help the Sheriff's Office with the All Hazard Mitigation Plan if they needed help.

Mr. Reynolds reported that a Maintenance worker from the Curlew Shop resigned. Mr. Reynolds will be putting out an advertisement for the position in the news paper. Mr. Reynolds reported that the Cottonwood Creek Culvert project was completed. Ms. Sattler presented the Board with a copy of the Annual Construction Program for 2016, Resolution No. 2015-33. Commissioner Blankenship

made a motion to approve the Annual Construction Program for 2016, Resolution No. 2015-33. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Annual Construction Program for 2016, Resolution No. 2015-33 is in the file. (Ex.#4)

A signed copy of the Annual Construction Program for 2016, Resolution No. 2015-33 will be in the November 16, 2015 Minutes file.

Discussion was held on Solid Waste budget. Ms. Cromwell reported she still cannot submit requests for reimbursements until the new computer program gets straightened out, possibly in December. Commissioner Miller stated that he believes the County needs to move forward with baling our own cardboard. Commissioner Blankenship stated that he was all for it if it didn't cost the County any money. Ms. Cromwell reported that the baler wiring is being worked on this week and should be running by the end of the month.

Sheriff's Budget

Sheriff Ray Maycumber, Chief Deputy Rooker and Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib came before the Board to discuss the Sheriff's budget. Sheriff Maycumber reported that Kinross will be adding \$43,000 to the Sheriff's budget. Sheriff Maycumber reported that he received a letter from Kinross which listed all of their donations for the fires. Sheriff Maycumber asked the Board if the Daniel Matts property could be burned as a training exercise. Commissioner Miller asked if the property contained a well. Sheriff Maycumber wasn't sure if there was a well, but stated that there was water. Deputy Rooker stated that there was a creek back behind the house. The Board agreed to let the Fire Department burn the house as a training exercise. Sheriff Maycumber reported that the County will have to pay 20% in taxes once the Matts property is sold.

Commissioner Miller asked Sheriff Maycumber to deduct \$1,000 from the Office Supply line item. Commissioner Blankenship asked Sheriff Maycumber to deduct \$12,000 out of the fuel line item and \$2,000 out of small tools line item. Sheriff Maycumber was asked to subtract \$1,400 from Professional Services line item, \$4,000 out of Communications line item, and \$4,000 out of Radios line item. Sheriff Maycumber stated that he will have to go on a mandatory training. Sheriff Maycumber stated that he could take another \$1,000 out of his travel line item budget.

Housing Authority Working Session

Asset Compliance Manager of the Housing Finance Unit of Department of Commerce Jason Davidson (via conference call), Managing Director of the Housing Finance Unit Corina Grigoras (via conference call), Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Auditor Dianna Galvan, came before the Board to discuss the Housing Authority. Discussion was held on the rent limit charts and set-aside requirements. Mr. Davidson stated that the Housing Authority can charge lesser amounts to rent out properties, but cannot go over the top rent requirements. Commissioner Miller expressed concern regarding renting out properties at a lower rate, then not being able to get the renter to move out of the property if the Housing Authority wants to rent the property out at a higher rate.

Discussion was held on finding a property manager for the Housing Authority. Discussion was held on selling the three eligible vacant properties. Mr. Davidson stated that the proceeds from the sale of any of the properties would have to go back into the Housing Authority. Commissioner Miller asked if the Housing Authority needed Department of Commerce's blessing to sell these properties. Mr. Davidson stated that no blessing was needed. Commissioner Miller stated that the Housing Authority can hold the money in escrow until it's decided where the money needs to be used. Ms. Galvan asked Mr. Davidson about the requirements for using the Home Security Fund. Mr.

Davidson stated that there are limitations on administrative costs, but the fund can be used for capital improvement to fix up the properties. Discussion was held on the loans for the properties. Mr. Davidson asked for a copy of the property paperwork that Commissioner Davis has been working on. Ms. Schertenlieb has been receiving housing applications and asked who was responsible for them. Ms. Schertenlieb stated that Barb Stevens has agreed to work with Ms. Schertenlieb under Housing Authority for \$15 an hour.

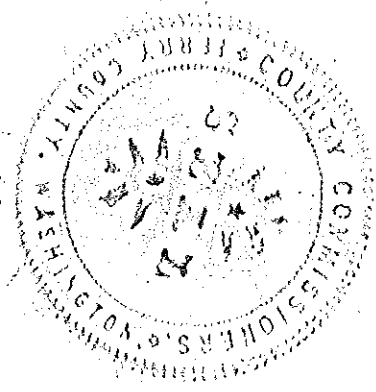
Open Range Discussion on Ordinance 3-70

Community Member Ron Cia's from Foursee Ranch, Community Members Randy and Suzie Sage, Community Member Anthony Nigeal, Community Member Austin Olma, Community Member Kevin DalBalcon, Community Member Cesar Bobadilla from Buck to Wall LLC, Community Member Gerald Wilson and Community Member Johnna Exner came before the Board to discuss Open Range Ordinance 3-70. Discussion was held on opening the closed range areas. Commissioner Miller stated that opening the closed areas would upset a lot of people. Mr. Sage stated that he does not have any cattle, but at times has cattle wander onto his property. Mr. Sage stated that he doesn't have any problems with the cattle. Ms. Sage stated that when cattle get onto their land, they call the area ranchers and the immediately come and round them up.


Commissioner Blankenship would like to go back and find the minutes from December 7th, 1970 that discussed Ordinance 3-70 before any decisions are made. Mr. Bobadilla stated that people can call the sheriff if community members do not know who the cattle belong to. Mr. Cia's expressed concern for who is liable for a cow being hit on the highway in a closed range area. A suggestion was made to post on the road "Closed Range". Commissioner Miller referenced the "Code of the West" to the audience. Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton provided a copy of the "Code of the West" to Commissioner Miller who then gave it to Mr. Cia's. Discussion was held on the possible solutions.


Unfinished Business

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 PM.



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