

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday August 1, 2016**

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

Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

Commissioners' Budget Review Working Session was postponed until Tuesday August 2nd.

A Human Resource Update was added to the Agenda.

A Public Defender Contract Discussion was added to the Agenda.

Correspondence

Commissioner Miller made a motion to appoint Commissioner Blankenship to the Tri County Task Force. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Board Reports

Commissioner Miller

Commissioner Miller reported that he noticed the rail grade from Curlew to the Highway 21 crossing, north of Curlew Lake, has been graded.

Commissioner Davis

Commissioner Davis attended a meeting concerning wolves on Tuesday. Commissioner Davis attended a Drug Court Meeting on Tuesday and did a walk through on a court proceeding to see how it works. Commissioner Davis attended a Republic Public Developmental Authority (PDA) Meeting and Finance Discussion. Commissioner Davis attended a Housing Authority Meeting on Thursday. Commissioner Davis worked at the Fair Grounds fixing broken pipes. During the Kinross picnic someone drove over a pipe; Commissioner Davis got the water turned off. Commissioner Davis worked on Business Recruitment. Commissioner Davis worked with MIS Darrell Dirks getting Windows 10 put on the computers at the Business Center.

Commissioner Blankenship

Commissioner Blankenship attended a meeting concerning wolves on Tuesday. Commissioner Blankenship attended a Tri County Health Meeting in Colville on Wednesday. Commissioner Blankenship attended a Martin Hall Meeting. There was a break down in the cooling system and the camera system. The daily fees may have to increase by \$35 a day. Commissioner Blankenship attended the Eastern Washington Council of Governments Meeting. Commissioner Blankenship spoke with Donny Martorella concerning the wolf depredations. On two different days they were out looking at data cluster sights; no evidence could be found.

Minutes

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for July 14, 2016. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Solid Waste Update

Solid Waste Coordinator Christy Cromwell, Sunshine Disposal Manager Rick Buffer, and Solid Waste Assistant Leanne Hill came before the Board to give an update. Ms. Cromwell presented the Board with a copy of the Solid Waste Caucus Charter and Dues Schedule. Discussion was held on the Solid Waste Caucus Charter. Ferry County's dues would be \$343 a year; the dues will go to WASAC. Ms. Cromwell stated that it is still in the planning stages. Commissioner Blankenship stated that this will improve better communication between Solid Waste and the Board of Commissioners. Ms. Cromwell reported that some of the illegal dump sights are not accessible to the Youth Ecology clean-up crew.

Commissioner Miller made a motion to support the membership dues for the Solid Waste Caucus. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Solid Waste Caucus Charter and Dues Schedule is in the file. (Ex. #1)

Development Regulation Ordinance Public Hearing

Planning Director Irene Whipple and Lloyd Odell came before the Board for the Development Regulation Ordinance 2016-04 Public Hearing. Ms. Whipple presented the Board with a packet of the ordinance. The hearing opened at 11:00 a.m. Ms. Whipple reported that the ordinance went out for the 60-day comment period and the changes were submitted. Discussion was held on the changes to the draft ordinance. The hearing closed at 11:08 a.m.

Ms. Whipple reported that she will be retiring on September 1st 2016. Ms. Whipple reported that her part time person, Dena Fletcher, has applied for a position elsewhere, so they may lose her. The Board will be putting an advertisement in the newspaper as soon as possible for Ms. Whipple's position. Discussion was held on the possibility of keeping Ms. Fletcher on longer, at the Planning Department, to help out with the new hire.

A copy of the draft 'Development Regulation Ordinance 2016-04' packet is in the file. (Ex. #2)

Consent & Vouchers

A Letter to the Transportation Investment Board was signed by the Board. (Ex. #3)

Travel Reimbursement for Marty Padilla in the amount of \$175.07 was approved.

Funding in the amount of \$99,520.15 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 321529-321599 for the following: (Ex. #4)

Lunch

The Board recessed for Lunch at 11:58 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Public Works Update

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Public Works Engineer Bob Breshears, and Public Works Controller Sharon Sattler came before the Board to give an update. Jim Schumacher was present. Mr. Reynolds asked the Board for permission to convert the Sign Technician position from a part time position to a full time position to help catch up on different projects. They are changing the name from Sign Technician to Engineering Technician/Traffic Technician.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to increase the Engineering Technician/Traffic Technician from a part time position to a full time position. Commissioner Miller seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on the Curlew Sewer lines. Mr. Reynolds reported that they are done with the main sewer lines in Curlew, and are currently working on the treatment plant on the hill.

Ferry/River St. Overlay and Storm Drain CRP (13-09) was signed by the Board. (Ex. #5)

Empire Creek Working Session

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Public Works Engineer Bob Breshears, and Public Works Controller Sharon Sattler came before the Board to discuss the North Empire Creek Road issue. Jim Schumacher was present. Discussion was held on sending a reply letter to Mr. Marc Keith to remind him to remove his property from the County road by August 6th.

Mark Keith arrived at 1:51 p.m.

Mr. Keith reported that he has hired a lawyer. Mr. Keith stated that he is the legal owner of the end section of North Empire Creek Road. Mr. Keith presented the Board with a copy of his Deed. Mr. Keith stated that as of 4 days ago his name was on tax sifter as the owner, but now it says unknown. Mr. Keith says the road is not up to code, the culvert is only 30" and it should be 60". The Board stated that it is not the requirement of the County to bring a road up to code, it needs to be brought up to code before being given to the County.

A copy of the Deed is in the file. (Ex. #6)

Wolf Update

Ferry County Sheriff Ray Maycumber came before the Board to give an update. Discussion was held on a recent wolf attack on a calf. The calf was found alive with a large bite wound on its hindquarters. The calf belongs to the K Diamond K Ranch. Commissioner Blankenship stated that the attack on the calf is considered a depredation. The Board stated that they would like to get a DNA sample to see if the wolves are mixed with canines, if so, they would not be considered wolves anymore and could be hunted. Sheriff Maycumber stated that his department can do a swab on any wolf (that is captured or killed) to run the test. The McIrvin's reported that their access to the wolf tracking data has been cut off.

Sheriff Maycumber reported that Mr. Harold Honeycutt called the Sheriff's office threatening to sue for not defending his property from people floating the river. Mr. Honeycutt believes that the signs at the parks are inviting people to put their floats in the river.

Housing Authority Working Session

Housing Authority Board Chairman Kimberly Charles came before the Board to give an update. Ms. Charles presented the Board with a letter to Jason Davidson. Kimberly Charles reported that they have evicted two tenants and things are settling down at the Housing Authority. Ms. Charles reported that the Housing Authority would like to purchase a steel shed to keep confidential files in per the retention schedule. Ms. Charles reported that they need more security cameras. Ms. Charles reported on the status of several of the apartments. Ms. Charles stated that as soon as they can finish getting some of the apartments cleaned up, there are people lined up to rent them. At which time, the apartments will be at 98% occupancy.

A copy of the letter to Jason Davidson is in the file. (Ex.#7)

Human Resource Update

Human Resource Director Jill Gates came before the Board to give an update. Ms. Gates presented the Board with a job description to go in the newspaper to advertise for the Planning Director job. Discussion was held on the Planning Director's wage. The starting wage of \$41,500 was approved. The advertisement will be put in the Okanogan, Stevens, and Ferry County newspapers, and the Tribal Tribune as well. Review of applicants will be on August 30th at 9:00 a.m., interviews will be held on September 7th at 9:00 a.m.

Public Defender Contract Discussion/Working Session

Judge Alan Nielson came before the Board via conference call. Discussion was held on the Ferry County Public Defender Standards. Discussion was held on having a central location for the Defense Attorneys to meet with their clients. Discussion was held on the Public Defender having a toll free number for his clients.

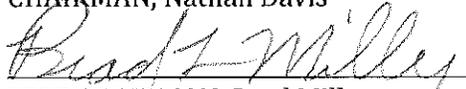
Unfinished Business

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.

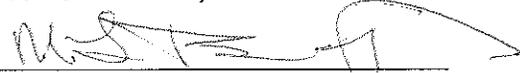
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