

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board  
Ferry County Commissioners  
Monday January 9, 2017**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Community Member Michael Sternberg was present.

**Changes and Additions to the Agenda**

A Wolf Update was added to the Agenda.

**Board Reports**

**Commissioner Exner**

Commissioner Exner had nothing to report.

**Commissioner Davis**

Commissioner Davis attended a Republic School meeting for the proposed bond; discussion was held on whether to fix up the existing school or build a new facility. Commissioner Davis worked on Business Recruitment. The brochure is done, and the comprehensive directory should be done in the next two months.

**Commissioner Blankenship**

Commissioner Blankenship attended a Tri County Health Task Force Meeting on Wednesday January 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Minutes**

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for January 3, 2017. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Maintenance Update**

Lead Custodian Marty Padilla came before the Board to give an update. Community Member Michael Sternberg was present. Mr. Padilla reported that Ferry County is on a waiting list for Courthouse grant funds.

The Weed Board has granted Weed Board Coordinator Rochelle Osborne permission to get rid of the Weed Board's 4 wheel drive truck. Mr. Padilla would like to locate a used plow to put on the truck in the future. The truck has an issue draining the battery; they are trying to locate the problem. The truck is the property of Public Works; they are applying for a lost title on the vehicle. Mr. Padilla asked the Board for permission to use the vehicle. He would like to strip the lights off the old 2 wheel drive truck to put on the 4 wheel drive truck. The Board told Mr. Padilla to go through the proper channels for the transfer of the truck.

Mr. Padilla reported that the boiler is running well; he has been monitoring the fuel level. Mr. Padilla would like to get a digital thermostat for the boiler and for the prosecutor's office. The water softener system for the boiler needs to have maintenance done to it. We can pay for someone to rebuild the system, or Mr. Padilla can go to Colville and take a class to learn how to rebuild the water softener system since it needs to be rebuilt every couple of years. Mr. Padilla discussed his vacation time with the Board. Mr. Padilla would like to use Leave Without Pay for his vacation if he runs out of paid vacation time. The Board approved the request.

Mr. Padilla discussed the Courthouse Administration budget with the Board. Mr. Padilla would like to know what bills are coming out of that budget. Deputy Clerk Jennifer Knowles is giving Mr. Padilla a copy of each voucher that is being paid out of Courthouse Administration. Mr. Padilla spoke with the Prosecutor's Office concerning how much heating oil they are using. They ran out of heating fuel recently and had to be refilled. Mr. Padilla stated that it is very hot in there and the heat is not being turned down during the nights or weekend. Mr. Padilla is worried that they are over-spending on heating fuel budget. Mr. Padilla wants a digital thermostat so the temperature in the Prosecutor's Office can be set more precisely.

Mr. Padilla talked to the Board about the Shredder Bins. Mr. Padilla has a commercial shredder and would like to know if he and Mr. Wellman could do the shredding to save the County money.

### **Commerce Regarding the Housing Authority**

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Housing Authority Chairman Kimberly Charles, Site Manager Jae Hightower, and Housing Authority Board Member Bob Platt came before the Board to discuss the Housing Authority. Community Member Michael Sternberg was present.

Ms. Schertenleib said Commerce was supposed to take over the RLF funds, but hasn't. The Auditor's Office is continuing to put those funds in a separate account. Ms. Schertenleib contacted Jason Davidson at Commerce to let him know he needs to take over those funds in the next month. Commissioner Davis will be contacting Jason Davidson at Commerce. Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton was directed to contact Jason Davidson to schedule him to meet with the Board.

Commissioner Davis would like to meet with the Housing Authority Board to meet to go over the business plan before it gets sent off to the State. Ms. Charles would like someone from the Housing Authority Board to go to the next Rural Resources meeting with Commissioner Davis. Commissioner Davis is going to meet with Ms. Schertenleib on Tuesday to go over some Housing Authority items.

### **Consent & Vouchers**

Ferry County 2017 Official Bond for Prosecutor Kathryn Burke was signed by the Board. (Ex. #1)

Washington State Military Department Contract Number EOC17-022 was signed by the Board. (Ex. #2)

Performing Arts, Tourism and Recreation Fund Contract Between Ferry County and Gold Mountain Gallery 2017 was signed by the Board. (Ex. #3)

Representative Designation Ferry County Board of Commissioners for Rural Resources was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #4)

Funding in the amount of \$519,145.92 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 323757-323794 for the following: (Ex. #5)

*Current Expense in the amount of \$263,161.08*

*County Road in the amount of \$148,707.78*

*Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$1,592.66*

*Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$37,035.84*

*Recreation Fund in the amount of \$1,790.23*

*Crime Victims in the amount of \$258.74*

*Weed in the amount of \$5,436.93*

*Solid Waste in the amount of \$13,136.96*

*Management Information Systems in the amount of \$12,929.79*

*Insurance Fund in the amount of \$3,347.39*

*Fire District #13 in the amount of \$645.90*

*Fire District #14 in the amount of \$4,090.70*

*Fire District #3 in the amount of \$1,964.62*

*Curlew Water in the amount of \$1,883.89*

*Inchelium Water District in the amount of \$4,236.03*

*EMS District #1 in the amount of \$14,779.83*

*Housing Authority in the amount of \$4,147.55*

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to appoint Carol Anderson for the Ferry County Planning Board and Ember Flagg for the Natural Resources Board. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the letter of interest from Carol Anderson for the Ferry County Planning Board is in the file. (Ex. #6)

A copy of the letter of interest from Ember Flagg for the Natural Resources Board is in the file. (Ex. #7)

Order to Treasurer to Transfer Funds **From** Boating Safety in the amount of \$4,531.93 **To** CE-Sheriff in the amount of \$4,531.93 was signed by the Board. (Ex. #8)

### **Lunch**

The Board recessed for Lunch at 11:50 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

### **Public Works Hearing for Establishing Eagle Track Road**

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Controller Sharon Sattler, Community Member Larry Beardslee, Community Member Dan Stillings, Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell, Solid Waste Assistant Leanne Hill, and Community Member Michael Sternberg came before the Board for the Eagle Track Road Hearing.

The Hearing opened at 1:00 p.m. Public Works Engineer Bob Breshears was absent due to the weather, so there was no Engineer's Report. Mr. Beardslee stated that he applied for an ORV Park at the Eagle Track Raceway 25 years ago. He said that they have been maintaining the ORV Park for the past 25 years. The Hearing was continued at 1:05 p.m. until January 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Blankenship received a complaint concerning narrow curves on Deadman Creek Road about three miles up. Logging trucks using the road have run people off of the road due to how narrow some of the corners are. An Avista truck ran off of the road due to another vehicle coming around the corner at the same time.

The Organizational Chart was discussed; nothing was changed in the budget. The only change to the Organizational Chart was the Engineer/Traffic Technician position was changed to a full time position.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-02 Amending Resolution No. 2015-02 Ferry County Organizational Chart. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2017-02 Amending Resolution No. 2015-02 Ferry County Organizational Chart was signed by the Board. (Ex. #9)

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-01 Ferry County Public Works Department Pay Scale. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 2017-01 Rescinding Resolution No. 2016-01 Ferry County Public Works Department Pay Scale was signed by the Board. (Ex. #10)

Discussion was held on the pay of seasonal workers due to the minimum wage increase in the next 3 years. Mr. Reynolds stated that they will adjust the pay scale when the time comes.

### **Public Works Hearing for Vacation of White Mountain Road**

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Controller Sharon Sattler, Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell, Solid Waste Assistant Leanne Hill, Community Member Michael Sternberg, and Community Member Larry Beardslee came before the Board for the Vacation of White Mountain Road Hearing.

The hearing opened at 1:15 p.m. Mr. Sternberg asked the Board why they are vacating the road and where. The Board stated that the area to be vacated is approximately 4 miles up White Mountain, and that section of road is was serving no purpose to the County. The Hearing was continued at 1:18 p.m. until Tuesday January 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:15 p.m.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Credit Card Application for Engineer/Traffic Technician Alex Cava. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Credit Card Application for Engineer/Traffic Technician Alex Cava is in the file. (Ex. #11)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the Ferry County Land Use License No. 2016-01. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ferry County Land Use License No. 2016-01 is in the file. (Ex. #12)

Ms. Cromwell stated that the Transfer Station does not charge to remove Freon from refrigerators and freezers and it is costing the County money. Ms. Cromwell would like to start charging the public for anything with Freon in it. They also do not charge for tires, and it costs the County to have them hauled away. The Transfer Station needs to start charging the public for the disposal of tires. Ms. Cromwell would like to keep Ferry County garbage in Ferry County, and not have the contractors take it to Stevens County.

### **DSHS Contract**

Prosecutor Kathryn Burke came before the Board to discuss the DSHS Contract. Community Member Michael Sternberg was present. Ms. Burke stated that the only change she noticed was on Dispute Resolution on Page 5. Ms. Burke said that the contract stated that if a conflict can't be resolved, it would go to court. The contract isn't due until June. Divorce filing fees from the courts go to Rural Resources for Domestic Violence Victim Services.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to pass the Working Agreement Between Rural Resources Victim Services and Ferry County. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

The Working Agreement Between Rural Resources Victim Services and Ferry County was signed by the Board. (Ex. #13)

### **A Wolf Update**

Sheriff Maycumber came before the Board to give an update. Sheriff Maycumber reported that a female grey wolf was hit and killed by a logging truck.

### **City Contract Jail Fee Schedule Change Discussion**

Prosecutor Kathryn Burke and Sheriff Ray Maycumber came before the Board to discuss the City Contract. Community Member Michael Sternberg was present.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to send a letter to the City to give notice for termination of portions of the contract. The County will no longer provide Indigent Defense services after 2017 unless a new contract can be negotiated. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton was directed to draft a letter to the City concerning the contract changes.

### **Working Session: Contract**

Prosecutor Kathryn Burke was present. Discussion was held on the changes to the Indigent Defense Contract Scope of Services. Ms. Burke will be making the changes and sending the Board the finished contract.

**Public Works Discussion**

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds came before the Board to discuss a Title II Proposal. Community Member Michael Sternberg was present.

Mr. Reynolds stated that he is applying for funds for several projects. The proposed areas to fix using Title II Funds are: Refrigerator Canyon, Lundimo Meadows Bridge, Little Boulder Road, and Day Creek Road culvert. Title II funds can only be used for construction. The Board recommended fixing Lundimo Meadows Bridge first, Little Boulder Road second, and Refrigerator Canyon third.

Discussion was held on FHWA funds for Bridge Repair or Replacement. Mr. Reynolds reported that there is a 13 ½% match if construction is done by 2021. He would like to repaint Adams, Boulder, and Kiwanis Bridges. Mr. Reynolds requested to attend CON-EXPO March 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. The cost is \$600. The Board approved the request. Discussion was held on the 2017 TAC Member Form. Mr. Reynolds is a TAC Member and would like Lou Miller to be the alternate.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Public Works Engineer Lou Miller as the 2017 TAC Member alternate. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**Unfinished Business**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:09 p.m.

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