

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board  
Ferry County Commissioners  
Tuesday February 21, 2017**

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

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Changes and Additions to the Agenda**

A Working Session was added to the Agenda.

**Board Reports**

**Commissioner Exner**

Commissioner Exner attended a Healthy Ferry County Coalition Meeting on Tuesday. Commissioner Exner met with Trevor concerning VSP and WSU's responsibility in the Leadership Program. Commissioner Exner attended an EMS Meeting. They are still reviewing the by-laws and possibly Grants to purchase computers. The VSP Meeting was cancelled. Commissioner Exner attended a MSHA training at Kinross. Commissioner Exner spoke with Gary Johnson about Water Rights concerning land owners and the mine.

**Commissioner Davis**

Commissioner Davis attended a Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) Meeting. They voted to continue with their proposal. Commissioner Davis spoke with Kinross; they gave a 60 day notice for closure. Commissioner Davis attended the Department Head Meeting in the Courthouse. Discussion was held on Kinross, SWAC, having a Courthouse Facilitator, and several other issues. Commissioner Davis attended a Chamber Meeting. Commissioner Davis attended a Housing Authority Meeting; they are thinking of getting a Homeless Committee together. The Housing Authority Board signed a Resolution to turn the Revolving Loans over to Commerce. Commissioner Davis spoke with Maurice Williamson concerning logging on Trout Creek up past the snow park. Commissioner Davis attended the Board of Volunteer Fire Fighters (BVFF) Meeting.

**Commissioner Blankenship**

Commissioner Blankenship has a Meeting at the Recreation Conservation Office (RCO) and spoke with Kyle Guzlas about Ferry County Trails. Commissioner Blankenship attended the Washington State Association of Counties Legislative Steering Committee in Olympia. Commissioner Blankenship spoke with Representative Kretz, Representative Maycumber, and Senator Short concerning several different Bills. Commissioner Blankenship spoke with Community Member John Connor on several issues. Commissioner Blankenship received a phone call from former Senator Dandel concerning Ferry County's Timber Industry.

**Business and Professional Women (BPW) Request**

BPW Member Kathryn Burke came before the Board to make a request. Ms. Burke asked the Board to waive the fee for the rental of the carousel building for the Seniors Girls Luncheon on April 30<sup>th</sup>. Ms. Burke said there will be a motivational speaker. The Luncheon is for all senior class girls in the

county, including homeschooled seniors. Ms. Burke said that Scholarship Bingo is coming up on Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to wave the fee for the Carousel Building for the Senior Girls Luncheon on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was held on the motion. Commissioner Blankenship withdrew the motion.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to give a 50% discount for the use of the Carousel Building for the Business and Professional Women's Senior Girls Luncheon on April 30<sup>th</sup> due to it being for the Graduating girls only, and not the graduating boys as well. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Minutes**

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the Tri County Forest Group Meeting Notes as corrected for February 10, 2017. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for February 13, 2017. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Legislative Report**

Lobbyist Zak Kennedy came before the Board (via conference call) to discuss the current Legislative Bills. Mr. Kennedy said that about half of the Bills have passed and about half have been thrown out at this point. Mr. Kennedy reported that most of the wolf Bills are dead, and most of the fire arms Bills are dead. Mr. Kennedy said that there are lots of people working on the Indigent Defense Funding Bill. Discussion was held on the Indigent Defense Bill. Discussion was held on Fire Arms Bills. Discussion was held on the Public Record Requests. Discussion was held on Bill 1156 ATV's on County Roadways.

### **Consent & Vouchers**

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to pay the Martin Hall (.5 bed day per month) yearly bill of \$1,875.00. The bill goes to the Martin Hall Capital Improvement Fund. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Funding in the amount of \$52,102.69 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 324230-324231 for the following: (Ex. #1)

*Current Expense in the amount of \$19,936.82*

*County Road in the amount of \$26,527.15*

*Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$360.63*

*Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$753.55*

*Solid Waste in the amount of \$2,640.66*

*Management Information Systems in the amount of \$968.85*

*Insurance Fund in the amount of \$915.03*

Funding in the amount of \$890,337.86 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 324281-324429 for the following: (Ex. #2)

*Current Expense in the amount of \$67,670.70*

*County Road in the amount of \$619,822.74*

*County Fair in the amount of \$145.78*

*Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$799.27*

*Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$51,001.77*

*MHCD in the amount of \$5,385.38*

*Inmate Welfare in the amount of \$1,970.27*

*Recreation Fund in the amount of \$913.88*

*Weed Control in the amount of \$2,119.86*

*Fair Grounds Management in the amount of \$1,620.30*

*Sheriff's Uniform/Clothing in the amount of \$695.55*

*Airport in the amount of \$1,593.93*

*Solid Waste in the amount of \$13,229.34*

*Equipment Rental & Revolving in the amount of \$109,312.68*

*Management Information Systems in the amount \$1,032.81*

*Insurance Fund in the amount of \$2,040.16*

*Fire District #14 General in the amount of \$359.68*

*Curlew Water-Sewer District #1 in the amount of \$138.77*

*Parks & Recreation District #2 in the amount of \$175.03*

*EMS District #1 in the amount of \$10,291.01*

*Housing Authority in the amount of \$18.95*

Order to treasurer to Transfer Funds **from** Ferry County EMS District #1 in the amount of \$3,531.00 **to** EMS District #1 Equipment Reserve has been approved. (Ex. #3)

Ferry County EMS District #1 Voucher in the amount of \$10,291.01 and Ferry County EMS District #1 Voucher in the amount of \$15,652.10 has been approved. (Ex. #4)

Memorandum of Agreement Between State of Washington Department of Health and Northeast Tri County Health District was signed by Commissioner Blankenship. (Ex. #5)

Performing Arts, Tourism and Recreation Fund Contract Between Ferry County and Stonerose 2017 was signed by the Board. (Ex. #6)

Performing Arts, Tourism and Recreation Fund Contract Between Ferry County and Ferry County Search and Rescue 2017 was signed by the Board. (Ex. #7)

Letter to Dan Foster National Park Service Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area Superintendent was signed by Commissioner Blankenship. (Ex. #8)

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to appoint Jesse L. Ackerson to the Housing Authority Board. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Letter of Interest for the Housing Authority Board from Jesse L. Ackerson is in the file. (Ex. #9)

### **Lunch**

The Board recessed for Lunch at 12:03 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

### **Public Works and Solid Waste Update**

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds, Controller Sharon Sattler and Solid Waste Coordinator Kristy Cromwell came before the Board to give an update. Ms. Cromwell presented the Board with a Resolution for tipping fees. Discussion was held on keeping Ferry County garbage in Ferry County and the possibility of opening a transfer station over by the Boyds shop. Ms. Cromwell said that there is no way to regulate people taking their garbage to Stevens County. If the County can provide a place to take garbage on the east side of the County, people may be willing to keep it in the County. Discussion was held on how to get rid of the tires at the Torboy Transfer Station. Ms. Cromwell is waiting to be contacted by Purcell Tires to find out what the County will be charged to get rid of them.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2017-05 Setting Tipping Fee Increase Notification. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ferry County Resolution No. 2017-05 Setting Tipping Fee Increase Notification was signed by the Board. (Ex. #10)

Mr. Reynolds reported that Silver Creek is closed due to water over the roadway. The creek jumped the banks on Tribal land, so there is nothing Public Works can do about it. Mr. Reynolds presented the Board with pictures of water over the road from Silver Creek. There was a mud slide on Boulder Pass but it was cleaned up.

The Photos of Water over the Roadway on Silver Creek is in the file. (Ex. #11)

Mr. Reynolds went to the Curlew Kai Homeowners Association Meeting and the property in question will be exempt. Another section of Airport property has a water hydrant to it, but the Curlew Kai locked it out since it has no meter on it. Mr. Reynolds said that he may ask to have it metered in the future, so it can be used during the Fly-In and in case of fire. Discussion was held on the Day Creek FLAP grant funding; the work on Day Creek will begin in 2019.

Discussion was held on the work that needs done at the Public Works Road Department shops. Mr. Reynolds reported that the estimated costs could be \$300,000-\$400,000 for all the work that needs done at the shops.

'Order for Hearing Ferry County Flow Control Ordinance Review Order Fixing Time and Place for Hearing' was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #12)

### **Fairgrounds Fee Request**

Weed Coordinator Rochelle Osborne came before the Board to make a request. Ms. Osborne asked the Board if they will waive the fee for the use of the Carousel and the Fair Grounds for a Workshop. Ms. Osborne said that if she has to pay for the use of the Fair Grounds and Carousel building, then she will have to charge the public a fee for the Workshop. If the Board waives the fee, she won't have to charge.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to waive the fee for the Weed Department for a Workshop on April 4<sup>th</sup>. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

### **Property Septic Issue**

Community Member Steve Williams came before the Board to discuss a septic issue. Community Member Bob Platt was present. Mr. Williams received a second letter from the Health Department. The Health Department is requiring Mr. Williams to put in a Septic and Grey Water System. Mr. Williams lives up Big Goosmus Creek Road. Mr. Williams has been on his property for 20 years while using an outhouse.

Mr. Platt said that the Health Department told him that they don't go out looking for outhouses, they only know about them if they receive a complaint. Mr. Williams said that he thinks the only place to put drain field is on a hillside that is heavily forested. Mr. Williams said that his ground soil is thick clay, and he also has creeks and ground water that seeps up in the spring. Mr. Williams doesn't think a grey water system would work because of these issues.

Discussion was held on the possibility of Mr. Williams applying to the Veterans Relief Fund to help pay for the system. Commissioner Blankenship said that he is meeting with Matt from TriCounty Health and he will get back to Mr. Williams.

### **Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for Personnel**

Human Resource Director Jill Gates was present. The Board went in to Executive Session at 2:30 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:00 p.m. No decisions were made.

### **Working Session**

The Board worked on the North East Washington Counties Meeting Minutes from January 20<sup>th</sup>.

Discussion was held on putting together a Homeless Committee.

### **Unfinished Business**

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

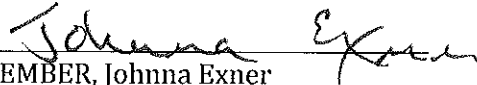
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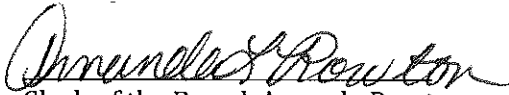
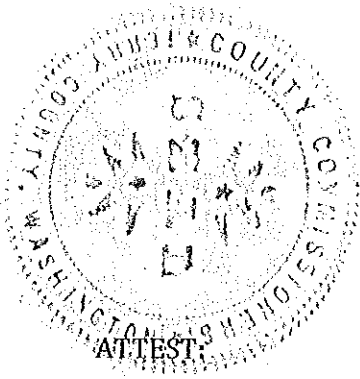
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