

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday August 14, 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

Agenda item 'Brixner Park' was cancelled.

'Executive Session per RCW42.30.110 (1)(g) for Personnel' was added to the Agenda.

Board Reports

Commissioner Exner

Commissioner Exner attended the Healthy Ferry County Meeting on the 8th, they received a planning grant. Nespelem is in discussion regarding opening a treatment facility. They are still working on getting Ferry County in the top 10 healthiest counties in Washington, we are the 38th or 39th healthiest county currently.

Commissioner Exner attended an EMS Meeting the evening of the 8th. Phillip Starr gave a report on maintenance, transports, fire standby and several others. They have an apartment for out of town EMS personnel, but it is not cost effective. They pay \$800 a month rent, they are looking at using a local motel instead for the 4-5 days they need a room each month. Discussion was held on the Erdman property. They passed the new by-laws.

Commissioner Exner met with Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib and the State Auditors on the 9th. Commissioner Exner attended a Planning Commission Meeting on the evening of the 9th. There will be a GMA Hearing in the Commissioners office from 10:00-2:00 on September the 7th with the county's GMA attorney.

Commissioner Exner attended a Better Health Together meeting in Spokane on the 10th. Not all commissioners were present. There is another meeting on August 31st. Commissioner Exner spoke with Ken Christopherson regarding Rose Valley Road, he has a road naming issue. Commissioner Exner listened to the Commissioners' meeting recording from December 5th regarding the issue.

Commissioner Davis

Commissioner Davis attended the Union Negotiations. Commissioner Davis attended a meeting at the PUD with community members to discuss business opportunities. Commissioner Davis met with Commerce to discuss the Housing Authority loans. They may have found a business to take over the Housing Authority. They will be setting up a meeting with them. It will release Ferry County and the City of Republic of all loans and responsibility.

Commissioner Davis attended a Housing Authority Meeting, they are up \$124,000-\$125,000 and have a 100% occupancy. The San Poil transfer is still moving along. Commissioner Davis met with

Rochelle Osborne at the Weed Department to discuss the Boards concerns for the Weed Assessment. Commissioner Davis asked that the Weed Board clarify their budget.

Commissioner Blankenship

Commissioner Blankenship attended the Tri County Motorized Trail Association Meeting. Discussion was held on the Curlew trail connector. The School Board approved the trail connector but they are requiring 250' of cyclone fencing to keep ATV traffic out of the school parking lot. Commissioner Blankenship received some calls regarding roads.

Minutes

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the Tri County Forest Group meeting notes as presented for June 15, 2017. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for July 31, 2017. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected for August 7, 2017. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Health District update

Northeast Tri County Health District Administrator Matt Schanz came before the Board to give an update. The solid waste program has been impacted, primarily solid waste complaints, due to the State not passing the Capital budget. They will be limiting their responses unless they are really egregious.

Mr. Schanz said that the Board of Health will have to discuss the issue of vaping in the jail further. Commissioner Exner said that the jail would like to be made exempt, or an exception. Mr. Schanz said that that could be a possibility. Discussion was held on fires and air quality. A temporary air monitoring system can be put in place if necessary. Discussion was held on possible funding for people to put in or replace existing septic systems when they can't afford it. Discussion was held on the different types of septic systems.

Civil Service Board Appointments

Risk Manager/Human Resource Director Jill Gates and Civil Service Chairman Sam Jenkins came before the Board to discuss Civil Service Board appointments.

Discussion was held on the \$600 bill from the Television Association for internet services at the Fair Grounds. Mr. Jenkins said that he never asked for extra services, and since the Fair Grounds isn't his property, he couldn't order anything. There were components that were burned out and they needed that fixed since there wasn't any internet during the SAR Conference, Mr. Jenkins never asked for a bigger service package. Commissioner Davis said that he will talk to MIS Director Darrell Dirks about the issue to see what he might have requested.

Discussion was held on the two letters of interest for the Civil Service Board. Ms. Gates said that the gentlemen has more past experience than the woman and he might be a better fit on the Board. Mr. Jenkins said that he would be comfortable with either one.

Steve Anthes is resigning his position and he still has 3 years left of his 6 year term. They are looking for someone to fulfill Mr. Anthes' term. Mr. Jenkins said that they are discussing a possible assistant for Ms. Gates; they are hoping the new board member will make a good fit for Ms. Gates.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to appoint Leslie Brooke Williams to the Civil Service Board. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Letter of Interest from Leslie Brooke Williams is in the file. (Ex. #1)

A copy of the Letter of Interest from Lonny Ray Williams is in the file. (Ex. #2)

Mr. Jenkins reported that they have located the remains of Charlie Gua on the San Poil River. Mr. Jenkins believes a scavenger scattered the remains, so they will need to do DNA testing to confirm the identity. Search and Rescue is still looking for the missing woman in Inchelium.

Consent & Vouchers

Commissioner Exner made a motion to allow GIS Specialist Kristen Winter to post addressing signs. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Addressing Sign Advertisement is in the file. (Ex. #3)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to make an exemption to Ordinance 1990-04 to allow Maris Inc. to use a motorized boat on Swan Lake for construction of the boardwalk between the dates of August 28th to September 8th, the no wake rule still applies. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

A copy of the Letter of Request for the Exemption to Ordinance 1990-04 is in the file. (Ex. #4)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the transfer of funds from Cumulative Reserve to Current Expense in the amount of \$180,000.00 for three Sheriff's Department vehicles. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ferry County Order To Treasurer to Transfer Funds **From** Cumulative Reserve **To** Current Expense in the amount of \$180,000 has been approved. (Ex. #5)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the transfer of funds from Ferry County EMS District #1 to EMS District #1 Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$1,573.00. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ferry County Order to Treasurer to Transfer Funds **From** Ferry County EMS District #1 **To** EMS District #1 Equipment Reserve in the amount of \$15,736.00 has been approved. (Ex. #6)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve payroll in the amount of \$516,347.00. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Funding in the amount of \$516,347 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 326315-326349 for the following: (Ex. #7)

Current Expense in the amount of \$266,987.44

County Road in the amount of \$149,466.82

Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$1,669.94

Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$31,087.76

Crime Victims in the amount of \$289.90

Weed in the amount of \$10,749.13

Solid Waste in the amount of \$10,851.70

Management Information Systems in the amount of \$13,300.41

Insurance Fund in the amount of \$3,536.77

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 \$1,910.80

Curlew Water in the amount of \$2,400.60

Inchelium Water District in the amount of \$4,914.76

EMS District #1 in the amount of \$11,563.26

Housing Authority in the amount of \$2,881.11

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve ACH Direct Deposit in the amount of \$380.13. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

ACH Direct Deposit in the amount of \$380.13 has been approved. (Ex. #8)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Jennifer Knowles was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#9)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Benjamin Baker was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#10)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Darrell Dirks was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#11)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Nathan Davis was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#12)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Mike Blankenship was signed by the Chairman.
(Ex.#13)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Amanda Rowton was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#14)

Ferry County Cellular Phone Agreement for Johnna Exner was signed by the Chairman. (Ex.#15)

Lunch

The Board recessed for Lunch at 11:54 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Hearing for Budget Amendments

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Chief Civil Deputy Amy Rooker, and Sheriff Ray Maycumber were present.

The hearing opened at 1:00 p.m.

Sheriff Maycumber reported that they had a lot of extra unforeseen expenses this year that caused his budget to increase. Sheriff Maycumber said that he is understaffed and he has skipped some of the pay step increases for his employees. Ms. Schertenleib said that the pay increases has not been calculated into the budget.

The hearing closed at 1:16 p.m.

Discussion was held on the Solid Waste loan repayment. Ms. Schertenleib stated that Solid Waste has owned Current Expense money for years and has not paid it back. Solid Waste received a grant that they were supposed to use to repay Current Expense, but they spent the money. Discussion was held on the courthouse meeting room chairs. The judges have agreed to help with the purchase of the chairs out of trial court improvement.

Public Works Update

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds came before the Board to give an update. Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib and Human Resource Director Jill Gates were present.

Mr. Reynolds reported that the Inchelium Highway Phase I is almost completed, then the contractor will start working on Phase II. Mr. Reynolds said that he received the additional funding to complete the second half of the runway, they will start the work after the Fly-In. Mr. Reynolds reported that the Curlew Kai association has locked Public Works out of their water hydrant, Mr. Reynolds said that he pays a monthly water fee for that lot, and he expects water. Mr. Reynolds will be talking to the Homeowners Association regarding the issue.

Discussion was held on Deadman Creek. Mr. Reynolds said that he can make a temporary fix to Deadman Creek Road, but he can't do any grading until it rains. If he does any work on the road, FEMA won't pay out any funding. Public Works will be doing some work on Silver Creek; patchwork, chip sealing, and blading. The Curlew Sidewalk project has received some additional funding, they will begin that project next year. Discussion was held on SRS funds. Mr. Reynolds asked the Board if he can advertise for the Solid Waste Coordinator position. The Board approved the request. Discussion was held on the CPG grant. Ms. Cromwell is working on rearranging her funds to make the budget work. Mr. Reynolds said that Ms. Cromwell sold the metal and will be making a payment to Current Expense for the loan.

Discussion was held on the trail connector in Curlew. The County needs to get an easement for the trail connector. Mr. Reynolds said he will contact Brad Miller to discuss what is needed for the completion. Discussion was held on Mr. Reynolds getting his engineering certificate. He said that he is studying and he will be taking the test soon. Mr. Reynolds said that the testing requirements have changed and he can take the test more often now that it is computerized.

Planning update

Planning Director Leah VanderStoep and Deputy Prosecutor Sandra Richartz came before the Board to give an update.

Ms. VanderStoep said that one of the property owners on the river whom she had thought was out of compliance, is actually in compliance. The property with the two dry cabins is no threat to public health or safety according to the Health Department, but they were denied a third dry cabin as it is too close to the road easement. Ms. VanderStoep said that there will be a GMA Hearing on Ferry County's Recourse Lands Management on September 7th in the Commissioners' Office.

Ms. VanderStoep presented the Board with a letter of resignation effective September 8th.

A copy of the Letter of Resignation from Planning Director Leah VanderStoep is in the file. (Ex.#16)

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

The Board went in to Executive Session at 2:20 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:02 p.m. No decisions were made.

Fair update

WSU Extension Director Trevor Lane came before the Board to give an update. Regional Specialist Missy Cummings and Serena Davis were present. Gary Verrila was present via conference call.

Mr. Lane presented the Board with 'Getting Ready for Fair', 'Ferry Friday E-Blast' and 'Thursday Before Fair Task List'. Discussion was held on the Ferry County Fair.

A copy of 'Getting Ready for Fair' is in the file. (Ex. #17)

A copy of 'Ferry Friday E-Blast' is in the file. (Ex. #18)

A copy of 'Thursday Before Fair Task List' is in the file. (Ex. #19)

Travel Policy


Risk Manager/Human Resource Director Jill Gates and Auditor Dianna Galvan came before the Board to discuss the Travel Policy. Sheriff Ray Maycumber was present.

Discussion was held on the travel policy. Discussion was held on meals outside of working hours. Ms. Gates will make the required changes and email them out before coming to the Board for approval.


Unfinished Business

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

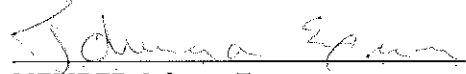
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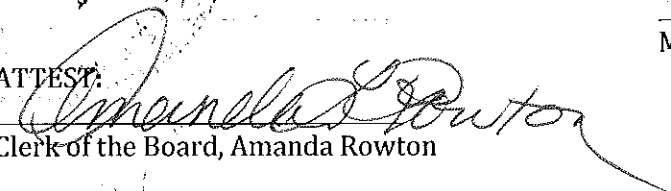
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