

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

Agenda item 'Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(d) Contract Negotiations' was changed to 'Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) Personnel'.

**Board Reports**

**Commissioner Exner**

Commissioner Exner attended the Trauma County Meeting on Tuesday; three members from the tribe were in attendance. The EMS District received a one year variance for a noncertified person to drive the ambulance. The Sheriff's Department continues to on the Hazardous Mitigation Plan. They will be having an emergency preparedness drill in October. Ferry County has a mobile solar repeater in case of emergency. Chief Civil Deputy Amy Rooker is looking into an emergency management plan grant called Code Red.

Commissioner Exner attended the Curlew History Club Meeting on Tuesday, discussion was held on the water/sewer bill. Commissioner Exner attended the VSP Meeting on Tuesday. Commissioner Exner attended the Tri County Forest Group Meeting on Friday in Colville.

**Commissioner Davis**

Commissioner Davis finished canvassing. Some late ballots came in, and were disqualified and the election was certified. Commissioner Davis had an interview for public radio regarding Ferry County. Commissioner Davis worked on Business Recruitment with Economic Development Specialist April Drennan. The website had 500 unique users in May, 1,200 unique users in June, 1,500 unique users in July, and around 2,000 unique users in August so far.

Commissioner Davis attended the Department Head Meeting. There is a deficit in Public Works due to the flooding in the amount of \$900,000. Discussion was held on the Personnel Policy. Commissioner Davis attended the Tri County Forest Group Meeting in Colville on Thursday.

**Commissioner Blankenship**

Commissioner Blankenship attended the Tri County Forest Group Meeting on Thursday. Discussion was held on South Fork Boulder Creek Road. Commissioner Blankenship attended a Leader's Council Meeting; they worked on the by-laws. There will be some decisive changes in who participates in the meetings. Commissioner Blankenship attended the local Republican Party Meeting and spoke with Shelly Short and Jacquelyn Maycumber concerning lack of funding coming into Ferry County.

## **Public Works Foremen Update**

Republic Shop Foreman Tyler Knowles, Curlew Shop Foreman Will Rowton, Boyds Shop Foreman Justin Haag, Shop 60 Foreman Shawn Baxter, Inchelium Shop Foreman Russell Camp, and Keller Shop Foreman Rusty Jannot came before the Board to give an update.

Discussion was held on shop maintenance and repairs. Mr. Rowton is concerned that his window for road repairs is almost over, in about two weeks they are going to have to switch their dump trucks over to plow trucks and there will not be any road repairs done. Mr. Rowton is receiving calls concerning the roads and he needs to know when they are going to be fixed. If some of the roads don't get fixed, they won't be able to plow them this winter. The Curlew boiler is old, and certain sections of the heated floors are failing. The Foremen agreed that the Inchelium shop roof is a priority. Discussion was held on the Army Corps of Engineering visit during the flooding. Discussion was held on working in conjunction with the tribe. Discussion was held on blade patching Silver Creek.

The trucks are old, it's been over 10 years since they have had a new truck. There is only one excavator for the whole county. They don't have enough backhoes to go around. Discussion was held on the backhoe out at the transfer station. Mr. Baxter said that it is not being used properly, they are wearing out their tires too fast, and beating up the backhoe. The transfer station backhoe is the newest backhoe in the county. The foremen said that they would like a couple of mini excavators. Public Works also needs a new distributor truck, the current one is old and it's only a matter of time before it stops working for good.

Mr. Haag said that he was finally given the 'ok' last week to go fix Deadman Creek and make it passable. Matsen Creek is more stable than Deadman Creek, but it needs a lot of rock put on it. Mr. Haag said that he fears Deadman Creek will be back to the same condition next spring. The foremen said that they are being told to not touch any roads until FEMA funding comes in.

The Board asked the foremen what their biggest priority roads are. The biggest problem road is Deadman Creek and Matsen Creek. The Inchelium highway sinkhole area won't even be put out to bid until spring, the Inchelium Highway project is a different project that is getting worked on now. Discussion was held on the chip spreader that Public Works bought. Mr. Camp said that it is smarter to rent one than to own one. The company is responsible for any repairs, and it is cheaper in the long run to rent one.

## **Consent & Vouchers**

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to accept the letters of resignation from Sandra Richartz for the Homelessness Initiative Board and the Planning Commission Board. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

A copy of the letter of Resignation from Sandra Richartz for the Homelessness Initiative is in the file. (Ex. #1)

A copy of the letter of Resignation from Sandra Richartz for the Planning Commission Board is in the file. (Ex. #2)

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the Warrant Register in the amount of \$165,778.36. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Funding in the amount of \$165,778.36 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 32653-326637 for the following: (Ex. #3)

Current Expense in the amount of \$47,532.23

County Road in the amount of \$34,144.24

County Fair in the amount of \$498.91

Auditor's O&M in the amount of \$5.32

Enhanced 911 in the amount of \$1,583.34

Boating Safety in the amount of \$1,303.51

Inmate Welfare in the amount of \$717.23

Weed Control in the amount of \$17,357.82

Trial Court Improvement in the amount of -\$498.90

Fair Grounds Management in the amount of \$3,489.04

Sheriff's Uniform/Clothing in the amount of \$450.03

Airport in the amount of \$353.81

Solid Waste in the amount of \$23,302.30

Landfill Post Closure in the amount of \$672.00

Equipment Rental & Revolving in the amount of \$26,155.34

Management Information Systems in the amount of \$1,597.89

Insurance Fund in the amount of \$181.54

Fire District #14 General in the amount of \$127.22

EMS District #1 in the amount of \$6,747.45

Housing Authority in the amount of \$58.04

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the payroll in the amount of \$51,270.55. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Funding in the amount of \$51,270.55 has been approved for transfer to the clearing fund for payment of Warrant/Voucher No. 326493-326494 for the following: (Ex. #4)

Current Expense in the amount of \$18,892.61

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 \$2,852.73

Management Information Systems in the amount of \$968.85

Insurance Fund in the amount of \$915.03

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-26 to Amend Various County Budgets. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

Resolution No. 2017-26 Amending Various 2017 County Budgets is in the file. (Ex.#5)

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve HMGP Ferry County Risk Analysis-Update. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

HMGP Ferry County Risk Analysis-Update was signed by the Board. (Ex. #6)

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the HMGP Ferry County Multi Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

HMGP Ferry County Multi Jurisdiction Hazard Mitigation Plan was signed by the Board. (Ex. #7)

### **Lunch**

The Board recessed for Lunch at 11:48 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

### **Public Works Update**

Public Works Director Troy Reynolds came before the Board to give an update.

Mr. Reynolds presented the Board with a copy of the Public Works Agenda. Discussion was held on Cache Creek.

*Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the contract with Interstate Concrete & Asphalt Co. for the Inchelium Highway. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.*

A copy of the Public Works Agenda is in the file. (Ex. #8)

A copy of the Contract with Interstate Concrete & Asphalt Co. is in the file. (Ex. #9)

A copy of the Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus Inchelium Highway is in the file. (Ex. #10)

A copy of the Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus Lower Cache Creek Slide is in the file. (Ex. #11)

A copy of Grant Agreement Washington Airport Aid Program Merritt Field is in the file. (Ex. #12)

A copy of Work Order No. 2 Runway 17-35 Rehabilitation-Phase 2 is in the file. (Ex. #13)

### **911 Harassment Ordinance**

Deputy Prosecutor Sandra Richartz and 911 Dispatcher Amber Maycumber came before the Board to discuss the 911 Harassment Ordinance.

Discussion was held on the 911 Harassment Ordinance. Ms. Richartz said that people threaten, yell at, and cuss at the 911 dispatchers. Ms. Maycumber said that she has had people call 911 just to talk, and they don't care that it is an emergency line. One dispatcher was threatened by a caller, the caller said he would 'BBQ' her. Discussion was held on the difference between phone harassment and 911 phone harassment. Ms. Richartz said that the fine will be up to the discretion of the prosecutor for 911 Harassment. Discussion was held on the tunnel on the Rail Trail in Curlew.

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

Building Inspector Mike Nee and Planning Office Assistant Mary Kalinowski were present. The Board went in to Executive Session at 2:03 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 2:30 p.m. No decisions were made.

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

Sheriff Maycumber 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.

### **Lake Roosevelt Update**

Lake Roosevelt Superintendent Dan Foster and Biologist Megan Lyons came before the Board to give an update.

Ms. Lyons presented the Board with a packet on aquatic invasive species and a pamphlet. Ms. Lyons gave a verbal presentation on aquatic invasive species. Ms. Lyons said that it costs the state lots of money and resources to get rid of the invasive species. Remembering to clean, drain, and dry your boat after every boating trip is essential to keep our waters clean and safe.

Mr. Foster presented the Board with a brochure and visitor use survey results. Discussion was held on land that is sold adjacent to the Park. It needs to be surveyed so people know where their property line is so that they don't encroach on Federal property or private property. They encourage people to have their house set 30' from the property line for fire safety and insurance issues.

A copy of the 'Aquatic Invasive Species' packet is in the file. (Ex. #14)

The 'Protect The Waters Of Lake Roosevelt' pamphlet is in the file. (Ex. #15)

The 'Park Neighbors Information Brochure' is in the file. (Ex. #16)

The 'Visitor Use Survey Results for Summer 2016' is in the file. (Ex. #17)

### **Agent Budget**

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib came before the Board to discuss the Agent Budget.

The 4-H Coordinator position was put in the budget for \$42,000. Ms. Schertenleib said that she was told they might have some supplemental options to help pay for the position. The Board said that

they didn't commit to pay for the position, they just discussed the position with WSU Extension Director Trevor Lane. The Board said that they will leave the 4-H Coordinator position in the preliminary budget for now, it can always be taken out later. Discussion was held on sharing a 4-H Coordinator with either Okanogan County or the tribe. Ms. Schertenleib asked about the beginning cash. The Board chose \$750,000 as a start for beginning cash.

Discussion was held on health care. Discussion was held on the Rural Resources building. The heat pump is having issues and the County is responsible for all major repairs. The Board discussed adding the Rural Resource building to the Capital Facilities list. The Board discussed having Rural Resources pay for the heat pump now and bill the County later. The Board decided to use the BOCC miscellaneous line item for paying the \$10,000.00 for the lawsuit.

**Unfinished Business**


With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

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