



District No. 1 Commissioner: Phil Johnson
District No. 2 Commissioner: David W. Sullivan
District No. 3 Commissioner: John Austin

County Administrator: Philip Morley
Clerk of the Board: Lorna Delaney

MINUTES
Week of January 3, 2011

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner David Sullivan at the appointed time in the presence of Commissioner Phil Johnson and Commissioner John Austin.

REORGANIZATION OF THE BOARD: Commissioner Sullivan moved to appoint Commissioner Austin as Chairman for 2011. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion which carried by an unanimous vote.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens in attendance at the meeting: the unemployment rate will continue to rise; a compliment was given to the agency that has held the public defender contract in the past; programs that help families are very important; programs that provide shelter for people are more important than street beautification and it was requested that the Commissioners send a letter to the Governor regarding Jefferson County's priorities; a citizen agreed with the previous comment of caring for people first is more important than projects; why does a citizen have to state their name and address before speaking at public comment?; it is beneficial to a citizen that people state their name before speaking at public comment; a request was made to the Commissioners to look at why the building department takes so long to get a building permit out; a citizen requested the Commissioners give every agency that has a Proposition 1 ballot measure the time they are giving Jefferson Transit.

APPROVAL AND ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the consent agenda as submitted. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.

1. **CALL FOR BIDS** re: 2011 Supply of Liquid Asphalt. Bids will be Accepted Until 9:55 a.m. on Monday, January 24, 2011 and Opened and Read Publicly shortly thereafter in the Commissioner's Chambers, Jefferson County Courthouse
2. **AGREEMENT NO. K155** re: Granting Clerks Access to the Employment Security Department Database; Modification to Contract Extending the Time Period Until December 31, 2013; Jefferson County Clerk; Washington State Employment Security Department



3. **AGREEMENT** re: Online Credit Card Processing Services; Jefferson County Clerk; nCOURT
4. **AGREEMENT NO. G0700097, Amendment No 9** re: Quilcene-Snow Watershed Implementation Phase 4; Language Changes and Budget Re-Allocations; Dollar Amount Unchanged of \$421,237.00; Jefferson County Public Health; Washington State Department of Ecology
5. **Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/Warrants** Dated December 20, 2010 totaling \$567,156.62 and Dated December 27, 2010 Totaling \$286,466.58.
6. **Payment of Jefferson County Payroll Warrants** Dated December 17, 2010 totaling \$92,008.21 and A/P Warrants Done by Payroll Dated December 17, 2010 totaling \$15,923.26.

COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION: The Commissioners provided updates on the following items:

Chairman Austin attended the Drug Court Graduation last week and met with Norm Dicks' Assistant, Judith Morris, in regards to the status of the Statesman's Resort. He stated that citizens can go to the RCW website to follow the bills that are before the legislature.

Commissioner Sullivan reported that the last week of the year tends to be uneventful for County government. The beginning of the year is usually the busiest time of the year because the legislators will go into session and he will spend time tracking or communicating with them regarding proposed bills.

Commissioner Johnson commented on positive thinking and how we need to look at problems as solutions. He stated that Jefferson Transit ran until 2:30 a.m. on New Years Eve.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2011: The Board members agreed to continue to serve on their current boards and committees with the following changes: Commissioner Johnson will be the representative for the Developmental Disability Advisory Board; Commissioner Sullivan will be the representative for the Substance Abuse Advisory Board; Commissioner Sullivan anticipates he will be the Chair for Olympic Area Agency on Aging (O3A); Commissioner Johnson will not be the lead on the Olympic Coastal Sanctuary this year but he will still be attending meetings; Commissioner Johnson will not be the Chair for the Hood Canal Coordinating Council but will be stepping up as Chair for the Coastal Caucus; County Administrator, Philip Morley, will attend the Joint Economic Development Planning Committee meetings; he will attend the following Board meetings as needed: Mental Health Sales Tax Committee, Regional Parks and Recreation Committee and the Water Team. Philip Morley stated that the Law and Justice Council meetings are inactive. Commissioner Johnson moved to accept the board representations as amended, Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.



PRESENTATION AND HEARING NOTICE re: Jefferson Transit Authority

Proposition 1 Ballot Measure: Tim Caldwell spoke on behalf of Jefferson County Residents for Transit Committee. He has stated the following:

The Committee is in support of the special election on February 8, 2011 for Jefferson Transit Authority Proposition 1. The purpose of this proposition is to increase sales tax 3/10th of 1%. All proceeds of the sales tax will go to Jefferson Transit. Accessibility to the goods and services of our county is essential to maintain a vibrant and growing economy. Jefferson Transit provides transportation to over 355,000 riders per year. Jefferson Transit has done a remarkable job in reducing overhead and streamlining efficiencies. They have reduced cost 7% but have only reduced operating hours by 2%. Transit cannot go any further without reducing services unless Proposition 1 passes. If Proposition 1 does not pass, Sunday services, fixed routes as well as Dial A Ride, will be eliminated. Week day operating hours will have to be reduced by over 100 hours a week. This would not keep our community a walking community. Jefferson Transit is not only a social lifeline as well as an investment in commerce in our communities. He is requesting a public form from the Commissioners so that members of the community may get more details of Jefferson Transit Authority's Proposition 1.

Commissioner Sullivan stated there is a threshold of services that are necessary for transit to be effective. He asked when the fare was last increased? Tim Caldwell answered last year. Tim Caldwell also stated the fare box is about 7% of the transit budget and sales tax is 62% of the operating and capital budget. There are federal funds available for four new "green" busses, but Jefferson Transit does not have the matching funds which is 20% of the federal grant. If Jefferson Transit does not come up with the money, they will lose the opportunity for the buses. Two of those new buses are scheduled to be on the West-End, which is a lifeline for residents who live there.

Commissioner Sullivan moved to schedule a hearing next week for members of the public to comment for and against the Commissioners support of Jefferson Transit Authority's Proposition 1. The hearing is scheduled for January 10, 2011 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers at the Jefferson County Courthouse. Notice of this hearing will be placed in *The Leader*. Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote. County Administrator, Philip Morley, stated that he will invite Jefferson Transit staff to make a presentation before the hearing regarding Jefferson Transits Authority's Proposition 1.

The meeting was recessed at the conclusion of the scheduled business and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. with all three Commissioners present.



COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S BRIEFING SESSION: County Administrator Philip Morley reviewed the following with the Commissioners:

- Lead for Various Boards and Committees for 2011 and Continued Recruitment for Vacancies on County Boards
- DNR Community Forest Trust
- Agenda Format and Planning for 2011
- Calendar Coordination
- Miscellaneous Items
- Future Agenda Items

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:37 p.m. until the next regular Monday meeting at 9:00 a.m. or special meeting as properly noticed pursuant to RCW 42.30.080. Commissioner Sullivan seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.

MEETING ADJOURNED

JEFFERSON COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

SEAL:

John Austin, Chair

ATTEST:

Phil Johnson, Member

Raina Randall
Deputy Clerk of the Board

David Sullivan, Member