

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Tuesday's Commissioner Meeting

January 19, 2005

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by four citizens: An invitation for the Board to attend the UGN Luncheon this Friday and a request that they contribute to the UGN Fund to set an example for the employees; a CD with information for a public records request shouldn't cost \$10; the telephone, travel, and internet policies are not being followed by County employees; a request for the work, break, and lunch schedules of the top 25 internet users in the County from October 25, to 29, 2004; employees need to be trained to respond correctly to public records requests; a request that a citizen talk to an employee who is proficient in Microsoft Access about putting the employee internet data into that program; and has the County done any more research on County property that could be used as a location to rebuild the Boy Scout House?

CONSENT AGENDA: The Board approved the Consent Agenda as presented.

CALL FOR BIDS: 2005 Supply of Asphalt Concrete for Maintenance Projects on Various County Roadways; Bids Accepted Until 10:00 a.m., Monday, February 7, 2005 and opened and read publicly at 10:05 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers

4 AGREEMENTS 1) 2005 Community Services Grant Funding with Gardiner Community Center; 2) Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding to Provide Public Services to 3,380 Low and Moderate Income Persons within Jefferson and Clallam Counties in 2005 with Olympic Community Action Programs and Washington State Department of Community Trade and Economic Development; and, 3) and 4) Intergovernmental Agreements for Discovery Bay Stewardship Project and Amendment 1 for Certified Shore Stewards Program with Washington State Puget Sound Action Team

SIGNATURE AUTHORIZATION FORM: Agreements to Provide Financial Assistance to Answer 911 Calls Originating in Jefferson County with Washington State Military Department, Emergency Management Division

ENDORSEMENT: The Board unanimously endorsed the *Jefferson County Prevention Guide*, a long range prevention plan for the County. The Community Network, Health Department, ESD, and other prevention experts developed this guide for organizations to use when doing prevention planning. Presentations have been given at several community group meetings and the response has been very positive. The Health Department and the Community Network will work as technical advisors.

PUBLIC HEARING: Several citizens were present to comment on the proposed ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 19-1220-04, adopted in December, 2004, that established a policy designating a portion of the Community Investment Fund revenue to the construction of the Tri Area sewer system. The majority of the comments were regarding the need for the sewer system in the newly designated Irondale/Port Hadlock UGA and that this project needs to be the County's #1 priority to encourage economic growth and affordable housing. The ordinance establishing the Community Investment Fund Board sunset in October, 2004 and there will be a public hearing on January 24 regarding a proposed ordinance to re-establish the Board. The Commissioners agreed to table the proposed ordinance repealing Ordinance No. 19-1220-04 until after the Community Investment Fund Board hearing.

PUBLIC HEARING: This proposed ordinance repeals Ordinance No. 20-1220-04 adopted in December, 2004 that established a policy to limit the use of Conservation Futures monies to the acquisition of easements whenever possible. The goal of the ordinance was to protect environmentally sensitive areas by establishing easements that would not take entire parcels of property off the tax rolls. The Conservation Futures Oversight Advisory Board accepts and evaluates applications for projects and makes recommendation to the County Commissioners who make the final decision on the projects to receive the monies. At the close of the public hearing, the ordinance repealing the ordinance adopted in December was approved.