

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

February 8, 2005

**APPOINTMENT:** The Board appointed County Administrator John Fischbach as the County's alternate representative on the Peninsula Development Association.

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made: the Commissioners need to work together on issues to get things accomplished; an article in the *Seattle PI* was quoted about the recent tsunami and the threat a major earthquake and tsunami could pose in Puget Sound; the Courthouse needs seismic reinforcement and major restoration, and the Courts should stay in the building but the administrative offices should move to another location; concerns for the safety of people in the Courthouse if there is a bad wind storm or a terrorist action at Indian Island; a request to remove the agreements regarding the upgrade of the voter tabulation system and the replacement of voter registration system from the Consent Agenda because more public input is needed and sometimes items are put on the Consent Agenda so that they can be passed without any public review; the Auditor's Office has been researching the upgrade of the voter tabulation system and the replacement of voter registration system since 2002 and it has been a budget request by the Auditor since that time, but no one has come forward to speak against it at the budget hearings; written policies should be required and employees need to have signed statements in their personnel files that they have read and understand the policies and that they will abide by them.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The agreement for the grant funding for the Healthy Youth Project with DSHS was deleted from the Consent Agenda.

**HEARING NOTICE:** Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Funding for Housing Needs Assessment with the City of Port Townsend; Hearing Scheduled for Tuesday, February 22, 2005 at 10:05 a.m.

**RESOLUTION:** Naming a Private Road, Faith Way

**AGREEMENTS:** 1) Emergency Equipment Rental for Bank Protection Work on Clearwater Road with Northwest Rock, Inc.; 2) Upgrade Voter Tabulation System and Services with Election Systems and Software, Inc.; 3) Replacement of Voter Registration System in the Elections Division of the Auditor's to Comply with State and Federal Requirements (Help America Vote Act) with DFM Associates; 4) Funding for Purchase of a Laser Printer for the Juvenile and Corrections System with State Administrative Office of the Courts; 5) Preferred Provider for Health Services with First

Choice Health Network; 6) Professional Services for Phase 1 of the Dosewallips River Property ESA with Krazan & Associates; 7) Amendment No. 2 to Biennial Funding to Provide Services for Individuals with Developmental Disabilities with State Department of Social and Health Services; 8) Purchase of Parcel #602 343 014 for the Dosewallips Floodplain Acquisition Project; Gary Barney, Seller; 9) Purchase of Parcels #602 343 001 and #602 342 001 for the Dosewallips Floodplain Acquisition Project; Mary K. Swift, Seller; 10) Purchase of Parcels #602 343 010, #602 343 012 and #602 343 013 for the Dosewallips Floodplain Acquisition; Jacob Johnson, Seller; 11) 2005 Hotel-Motel Grant Funding with Quilcene Historical Museum; and, 12) Amendment to Public Defender Services for 2005-2007 Agreement with Jefferson Associated Counsel

**ADVISORY BOARD REAPPOINTMENT:** Sherry Kimbrough to a 3 Year term, expiring February 9, 2008, on the Substance Abuse Services Advisory Board

**ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENT:** Debbie Kronk to a 3 Year term, expiring February 7, 2008, on the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board

**BID OPENING:** The County received bids from Ace Paving and Lakeside for the 2005 supply of asphalt concrete for maintenance projects on County roads. The Public Works Department will review the bids and make a recommendation to the Board.

**HEARING:** The Board agreed to declare surplus, advertise, and take bids on broken and outdated computer equipment. If no one purchases the equipment, it may be given to organizations in the community such as schools to be used for parts. The bid opening will be February 28 at 9:00 a.m.

**TRAIL UPDATE:** The Olympic Discovery Trail (ODT) is a non-motorized transportation corridor for foot, bicycle, and equestrian use connecting the cities on the North Olympic Peninsula. When finished, it will go from Port Townsend to the Pacific Ocean (129 miles.) Thirty-two miles are completed and 35 more miles are funded and under construction, with a completion date set for December, 2006. There are 24 miles of the ODT proposed in Jefferson County. Three miles are completed and 3.5 miles are in the process. Currently the top priority area in the County for the trail is the section between Highway 20 and South Discovery Road. Right now they are connected by the old railroad grade which is privately owned. The County also owns portions. A request was made that the County look into acquiring the railroad grade right-of-way owned by Discovery Timber.