

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

March 20, 2007

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made by citizens: A request was made that the Public Comment period return to what it was originally meant to be which was for the Board to hear comments about any agenda item; a fax was received from the Washington Counties Risk Pool regarding coverage for the Security Services Northwest (SSNW) court case and the possibility of the County entering into a settlement agreement with SSNW; concerns about what has been going on at the BOC meetings regarding the Pledge of Allegiance and appreciation for the Board listening and making a change in their meeting; a suggestion was made that if there wasn't government at the county, state, and federal level there would be anarchy; a citizen thanked the Board for preserving the Public Comment period and expressed shock about the Commissioners statements about the Pledge of Allegiance as presented in the newspaper; comments about draft 4 of the No Shoot Area ordinance and revisions that need to be made; some minorities are being listened to while others are not being heard; the Publisher of the newspaper does not come to these meetings that he writes news articles about; the Board members demean and battle certain members of the public; the Board members were handed a copy of the 10 Commandments and asked to remember their campaign promises; and a regular attendee said that he has been to at least 350 of these meetings and he hasn't seen uncivil behavior or grandstanding.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board corrected the agreement on the Industrial Land Bank with E. D. Hovee & Company (change Project Kickoff Date to say "to be determined by the County Administrator") and the letter of support for SHB 1965 Extending the Time for Counties to Designate Industrial Land Banks (changed to include SHB 1925), deleted the letter of support for Fire District #2 Land Acquisition to the US Department of Agriculture and approved the balance of the items as presented.

**5 AGREEMENTS:** 1) Legal Representation in Mental Health Cases for 2007 with Stephen Greer, Esq., 2) Industrial Land Bank with E. D. Hovee & Company (change Project Kickoff Date to say "to be determined by the County

Administrator"), 3) Junk/Abandoned Vehicle Towing with Peninsula Auto Wrecking, 4) Junk/Abandoned Vehicle Towing with A & G Import Auto, Inc, and 5) Funding for Substance Abuse Treatment Services with Safe Harbor Recovery Center

**2006 Annual Certification** and Engineer's Certification of Fish Passage Barrier Removal Costs by the Washington State County Road Administration Board (CRAB)

**Letter of Support** for Substitute House Bill 1965 Extending the Time for Counties to Designate Industrial Land Bank(s) to Representative Lynn Kessler and Representative Kevin Van De Wege (changed to include SHB 1925)

**Appointment of Local Government Planning Representative to the Ferry Advisory Committee:** The Board appointed Rick Sepler, City of Port Townsend Planning Director, as the local government planning representative on the Ferry Advisory Committee.

**BID OPENING re: Pavement Markings on Various County Roadways:** The following bids were opened and read. Specialized Pavement Markings, Inc.\$ 68,178.00; Apply a Line, Inc. \$75,711.91; and Stripe Right, Inc.\$ 99,053.19

**HEARING re: Grant Application; Low and Moderate Income Housing Preservation and Rehabilitation; Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP):** The Board approved the grant application for a \$625,000 CDBG grant for OlyCap's moderate income housing preservation and rehabilitation program.

**Tami Pokorny, Jefferson County Environmental Health, Water Quality Division:** The Board approved earmarking Title III Fund balance for the Dosewallips Flood Plain Acquisition Project Phase II and authorization and concurrence to proceed with Dosewallips Phase II property acquisitions.

**County Administrator Meeting:** The Board approved and signed a letter to the State Department of Transportation supporting the reservation pilot project for the Port Townsend/Keystone Ferry as recommended by the Ferry Advisory Committee.