

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

June 5, 2007

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens: several people spoke out for and against the proclamation designating June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month; accountability of public funds is important; the EIS consultant for the Pit to Pier project needs to be unbiased and do a careful, professional evaluation; several people asked that Jim Fritz be compensated for his video documentation of the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) proceedings; the Board needs to know three motions of the CAO Committee that haven't been formalized: 1) that the County Commissioners hold their own public hearing on the final draft of the CAO; 2) that the Planning Commission review the complete record of the CAO Committee meetings; and 3) that Jim Fritz be reimbursed by the County for his videos of the CAO Committee meetings; the State Department of Ecology doesn't have Best Available Science (BAS) that is relevant to Jefferson County because DOE's BAS is based on scenarios; a request that Commissioner Sullivan and Chairman Johnson speak into the microphones; the Board was presented with a Gay Pride Month flag banner; and a quorum of the Commissioners should not have attended the Planning Commission/DOE workshop last week.

CONSENT AGENDA: All of the items on the Consent Agenda were approved:

3 HEARING NOTICES: 1) Petition to change the spelling of a County road name from Van Trojan Road to Van Trojen Road; Hearing scheduled for Monday, June 18, 2007 at 10:00 a.m.; 2) Establishing the final docket for the 2007 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Cycle; Hearing scheduled for Monday, June 18, 2007 at 10:15 a.m.; and, 3) Proposed ordinance amending Ordinance #09-1002-00 entitled "In the Matter of Establishing the Office of County Administrator; Hearing scheduled for Monday, June 18, 2007 at 11:00 a.m.

AGREEMENT: Provision of labor and equipment for emergency road repairs for 2007 and 2008 with Seton Construction, Inc.

CONCURRENCE AND AUTHORIZATION: For Jefferson County Public Works to proceed with real property negotiation and acquisition for the Larry Scott Memorial Trail - Segment 4

PAYMENT OF COUNTY VOUCHERS AND WARRANTS: Dated May 29, 2007 totaling \$167,744.57

ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENT: Kathy McKenna to a 5 year term expiring July 7, 2012 on the Housing Authority of Jefferson County

PROCLAMATION: There were several interested citizens in the audience when the Board approved the proclamation designating June as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender Pride Month.

CONSERVATION FUTURES APPLICATIONS AND PUBLIC HEARING: Five applications were reviewed by the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee. Their recommendation is partial funding for two projects: Glendale Farm (\$230,000) and Upper Tarboo Creek Conservation Project (\$150,000). After hearing public comment, the Board voted to approve the recommendation of the Oversight Committee as presented.

RESOLUTION FOR FIRE DISTRICT #5: The Board approved a resolution giving Fire District #5 in Gardiner a line of credit for \$150,000 from the General Fund to help maintain operations pending the outcome of an investigation for suspected criminal embezzlement.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY REPORT: The Jefferson County Museum is back at a remodeled location after two years. Exhibits and ongoing programs for the 1st quarter of 2007 were reviewed. Their next project is the expansion of the Research Center to add a conservation lab and archives for the 20,000 artifacts that are currently stored at Fort Worden. They are now managing the Gateway Visitors' Center at SR19 and SR104 and are creating a proposal to include historical information there.