

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

April 15, 2008

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made by citizens: The County Parks and Recreation staff have done a great job developing recreation programs and the number of kids participating has increased dramatically; several people commented that the Board needs to treat all citizens impartially; it appears that Planning Commission members are chosen for their ideological convictions rather than their experience or knowledge; homeowners need to be educated on how to take care of their septic systems and the County needs to make sure that septic professionals know what they are doing; the Board was thanked for pursuing grant funding for County projects; two people commented on the large number of earthquakes that have been occurring off the Oregon Coast and the need for emergency preparedness; why is the Board choosing to enforce the Fire Code now?; it was suggested that the County put sanicans near the rivers for people who fish; the Board needs to support State legislation requiring that Executive Sessions be recorded; and the Advisory Board members appointed by the Board and County Staff that support those Boards need to know that they must follow the Open Public Meetings Act.

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

**AGREEMENTS:** 1) Medical Transcription with Jackie Aase, and 2) Facilitate Jefferson County Transition Network Meetings with Kathy Goldenberger, Creative Employment Consultants

## **MRC ADVISORY BOARD**

**RESIGNATIONS:** Hal Beattie, District #3 and Jim Donaldson, District #3 Alternate from the Marine Resources Committee

**MRC ADVISORY BOARD REAPPOINTMENTS:** Anne Murphy, District #2 (Term expires 8/16/11); Joth Davis, representing commercial interests (term expires

2/23/12); Judy D'Amore, representing environmental and conservation interests (term expires 8/16/11); and Andrew Palmer, District #2 Alternate (term expires 8/16/11) to the Marine Resources Committee

## **MRC ADVISORY BOARD**

**APPOINTMENTS:** Hal Beattie, District #3 Alternate (term expires 4/07/12)

## **PAYMENT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY**

**PAYROLL AND A/P WARRANTS:** Dated April 4, 2008 totaling \$737,594.29 and April 7, 2008 totaling \$259.47 and A/P warrants done by Payroll dated April 7, 2008 totaling \$603,373.09

**Public Power Feasibility Study:** Puget Sound Energy has announced that it is being purchased by a foreign company. Jefferson County citizens have begun circulating petitions for registered voters to sign that would allow the County to place the question of the PUD as the power authority on the ballot in October. In addition, the City of Port Townsend has begun to research the option of a local power authority. The City has recommended that the PUD, the County, the City, and the Port of Port Townsend advertise a Request for Proposals by consulting engineering firms for a preliminary feasibility study on the addition of electric services by the PUD. The purpose of the study would be to inform decision makers and citizens on the advantages and disadvantages of public power in eastern Jefferson County.

## **INTERIM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR**

**INTERVIEWS:** The Board signed an agreement several weeks ago with Prothman, a professional search firm. During the County Administrator Briefing they interviewed 3 candidates who are interested in serving as the Interim County Administrator until the position can be permanently filled. The Board is expected to take action on a decision next Monday.