

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

May 13, 2008

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made by citizens: the Sheriff has ignored other complaints about the Deputy that was recently put on administrative leave; the County Commissioners and the City Council need to take action and deal with the affordable housing emergency in the County; the 1,000 County residents who must commute to work outside the County will need to move closer to their jobs because they won't be able to afford gas; unlocking the Commissioners' Chambers at 8:55 a.m. on Mondays doesn't allow citizens time to review the weekly packet and the information in the packets should be made available on the web page; County representatives need to attend all the Puget Sound Partnership meetings because they are discussing procedures that will take authority away from local government; the Brinnon Elk herd often migrates to Hood Canal during low tide which isn't good for the water quality; the landscaping being installed in the Cape George Trail Head parking lot will make it difficult for horse trailers to maneuver; there is no way to predict whether an EIS will be required for a project when the application hasn't been submitted; the Board has given their authority to make quasi-judicial decisions to the Hearing Examiner and it is against the law for them to interfere with the Hearing Examiner process; locking the Commissioners' Chambers doesn't really increase security and people have a right to take a pictures of what the Commissioners do in their meetings.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board approved all the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

**2 HEARING NOTICES:** 1) Application to amend the Port Ludlow Development Agreement; Port Ludlow Associates, Applicant; hearing scheduled for Tuesday, May 27, 2008 at 10:15 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, Jefferson County Courthouse, and 2) 2009-2014 Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program; hearing scheduled for Monday, June 2, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers, Jefferson County Courthouse

**2 AGREEMENTS:** 1) Provide cash handling services for Jefferson County Public Works with Loomis Armored US, Inc., and 2) Amendment to agreement regarding Beckett Point Large On-Site Sewage System (LOSS)

Project, Extension of time with Washington State Department of Ecology

## **PAYMENT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY**

**PAYROLL WARRANTS:** Dated May 6, 2008 totaling \$758,173.91 and A/P Warrants done by Payroll dated May 6, 2008 totaling \$619,719.86

## **OLYMPIC COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMS BRIEFING ON THE PROGRESS OF PLANS TO END HOMELESSNESS IN JEFFERSON COUNTY:**

OlyCAP has adopted a 10 Year Plan to end homelessness in Jefferson County. A recent census shows that there are 316 homeless people in the County and children are the largest growing segment of that population. Local governments pay for homelessness through law enforcement, jails and emergency medical services. The US Interagency Council on Homelessness has developed a new strategy to help the homeless by moving them into housing with some supported services. This approach is successful because most people do not want to be homeless. Support and commitment from community leaders will be necessary to make the 10 year plan work.

**BID OPENING:** The only bid for the final repaving of the Upper Hoh Road repair project was \$172,993.75 from Lakeside Industries. Public Works will review the bid and give the Board a recommendation for bid award.

## **RECOMMENDATION ON 2008 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS AND RECOMMENDED FINAL DOCKET:**

The preliminary docket for the 2008 Comprehensive Plan amendments includes 3 suggested amendments and ten site specific amendments. The site specific amendments automatically go on the final docket which the Board must establish by July. The Planning Commission recommendation and supplemental staff report for the 3 suggested amendments were discussed. These include the industrial landbank designation, a side by side comparison of the Comprehensive Plan and the Unified Development Code (UDC), and a proposal to move density changes within a zone from the Comprehensive Plan to the UDC. Staff and the Planning Commission do not agree about docketing the side by side comparison amendment. The Planning Commission has already held a public hearing, but the Board took action to schedule their own public hearing on the final docket.