

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

August 12, 2008

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made by citizens: an avid cyclist asked that the speed limit through Port Ludlow be reduced from 40 mph to 35 mph because it is a residential area and it would be safer for bicycles and small electric vehicles; two people stated that they think the Board should establish a citizen advisory committee to oversee and provide direction to the Department of Community Development to help improve the permitting process; a citizen stated that if the DNR designates State Forest Board Lands as a Natural Area Preserve at Tarboo Bay it will take property off the tax rolls and decrease the revenue that the fire district receives from logging; a citizen encouraged the County to review recent Court decisions regarding critical areas and shorelines master plan regulations; a citizen suggested that the County would save money if Environmental Health and the Sheriff's Office share the Sheriff's boat instead of having two boats; and a person stated that he supports the Board and their actions.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board approved all of the items as presented.

**4 AGREEMENTS:** 1) 2008 regional services for Public Health and Animal Services with the City of Port Townsend; 2) Parent to Parent developmental disability support services with ARC of Kitsap and Jefferson Counties; 3) Improvements to the Larry Scott Memorial Trail, mile post 4.6 to 5.0 with TL McConnell Construction, Inc.; and, 4) Asphalt patching of storm damage on Thousand Trails Road, Shorewood Drive and Kelly Road in Brinnon with MHB Excavating-Paving, LLC

**2 ADVISORY BOARD APPOINTMENTS:** 1) Mike Porter to a four year term expiring August 11, 2012 on the Marine Resources Committee representing District No. 3; and, 2) John Augustus Wood to an unexpired term expiring February 13, 2010 on the Conservation Futures Advisory Board representing District No. 1

**LETTERS OF CONGRATULATIONS:** To two County employees, Karen Bednarski,

Accountant, Auditor's Office and Vicki Breithaupt, Financial Manager, Public Works on receiving the "Professional Finance Officer Award" and to two Sheriff's Office employees, Deputy Kevin Denney; and Deputy Shane Stevenson on graduating from the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commissions Basic Training Academy  
**PAYMENT OF JEFFERSON COUNTY PAYROLL WARRANTS:** Dated August 5, 2008 totaling \$798,882.95 and August 6, 2008 totaling \$2,103.35; and A/P Warrants done by Payroll dated August 5, 2008 Totaling \$676,961.82

**HEARING NOTICE FOR PROPOSED YARD DEBRIS DISPOSAL FEE:** The Board chose not to approve a public hearing notice on a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 06-0726-93 which would implement a Solid Waste Division fee for yard debris disposal. Instead, Commissioner Sullivan asked that a workshop be scheduled to take public input and discuss other alternatives instead of the fee.

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES UPDATE:** The County income report from State Forest Board Land timber sales was reviewed by DNR representatives. The County, which includes all the junior taxing districts, received about \$465,000 through June of this year partially due to the decline in the timber market. Income for the remainder of the year will also be limited because one sale is still in litigation and there were no bidders on another sale. More sales are scheduled toward the end of 2009. The DNR Aquatics Division Manager for the region also reported on several projects including the creosote removal project which will resume within the next few weeks in the Port Townsend area, mooring buoy inspections at Mystery Bay to determine if the buoys are properly permitted; and proposed State Aquatic Reserves at Protection Island which will affect Jefferson and Clallam Counties and Smith and Minor Island in Island County.