

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

December 9, 2008

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens: a person stated that because of the break-in after hours at the Courthouse last week, he thinks the Commissioners need to look at a total security package for County buildings including a security system for the perimeter of the Courthouse; a citizen thanked the Board, County Administrator, Elected Officials, and Department Heads for working together to develop a revised 2009 Budget that addresses the current financial downturn; a person stated that he thinks the arguments for the Border Patrol on the Peninsula and liberal environmentalists are very similar because their reasoning is that they are protecting citizens from unknown threats in the future; and a person stated that he thinks it is important that everyone who speaks during the Public Comment Period is treated the same and he asked if there is a policy regarding the Public Comment Period?

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

ORDINANCE: In the Matter of the establishment of a "No Shooting Zone" in Irontdale to be known as the Chimacum Creek No Shooting Zone

2 AGREEMENTS: 1) Family and Juvenile Court Improvement Plan with Clallam County, and, 2) Manage and provide a residential facility for the Proctor House Program with Kelli Parcher Corporation

CALL FOR BIDS: Supply of liquid asphalt products and supply of aggregate products; Bids will be accepted until 9:55 a.m. on Monday, January 12, 2009 and opened and read publicly shortly thereafter in the Jefferson County Commissioners Chambers

LETTER OF SUPPORT: For grant applications requested by the Voices for Veterans

ADVISORY BOARD RESIGNATION: Jefferson County Planning Commission Representative Barbara Nightingale from the Housing Action Plan Network

2009 BUDGET HEARING: A majority of the Elected Officials and Department Heads were present at the public hearing on the revised 2009 Budget. The County Administrator gave a presentation and noted

that he thinks the budget is financially responsible and deals with today's economic realities. He said that all the Departments have worked together to leave more reserve fund balance at the end of 2008 and to cut expenditures as much as possible in their 2009 budgets. On November 24, the Board approved a resolution declaring an emergency which allows the use of banked capacity to help balance the General Fund budget. Five citizens commented at the hearing. Everyone was thanked for their participation in the process. The County Administrator plans to start working with the Elected Officials and Department Heads on the 2010 Budget at the beginning of 2009 so that there will be time to look at additional cost savings and streamlining or combining programs and projects for increased savings. The recommended 2009 Budget is posted on the County's web page at www.co.jefferson.wa.us. It can be accessed by clicking on the link at the top of the home page. The Board is scheduled to take action on the 2009 Budget at the December 15 meeting at 10 a.m.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY

BOARD INTERVIEW: After the Board interviewed Garth McHattie they appointed him to a vacant position on the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board representing Commissioner District #2.

2008 COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENT

DELIBERATIONS: Approximately 10 interested citizens were present for the deliberations and decision on the 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket. The Board voted unanimously to deny the amendment to designate the Iron Mountain Quarry mineral resource land (MRL) overlay near the Port Ludlow Master Plan Resort (MPR). The Board took action to direct Department of Community Development staff to prepare an ordinance of adoption reflecting their decision on the applications.

NO COMMISSIONER MEETINGS ON

DECEMBER 22 AND 29: The Commissioners took action on December 1 to cancel their regular December 22 meeting and there is no meeting on December 29 because it is a fifth Monday week. The last regular Commissioner's meeting in 2008 is December 15.