

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

March 1, 2010

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made: 7 citizens spoke in support of the Board approving a letter to endorse the National Broadband Technology Opportunity Program application (consent agenda item #12); a citizen commented on the proposed agreement for technical support for replacement and re-configuration of three information services network routers and asked if the County used a competitive bid procedure or RFP process to obtain the contractor?; a citizen stated that the community land trust "Homeward Bound" which serves Jefferson and Clallam Counties is working with the Jefferson County Housing Action Plan Network on providing permanent affordable home ownership and they would like the County to partner with them on a Community Development Block Grant to plan for housing options on the property located adjacent to the Laurel Grove Cemetery; a citizen stated that he feels that economic development is inhibited by land use regulations and the Commissioners need to work on stimulating the economy and increasing revenues for the County; a citizen commented on the earthquake in Chile and stated that he believes Jefferson County is not prepared for an earthquake and that the County should move employees out of the Courthouse and into a new safe modern building that is built to earthquake standards; a citizen discussed public record requests submitted by certain individuals which he believes are so broad that they delay County staff in completing daily tasks; a citizen stated that he believes his civil rights have been violated by the County and he will take legal action against the County for not providing all documents responsive to a previous public records request; a citizen asked about the interpretation and application of the term "delegation" as used in the County code and he expressed his appreciation for the community input workshops being held by the Board; a citizen stated that the Planning Commission will be working on the economic development section of the Comprehensive Plan and he urged a member of the Board to attend the Planning Commission meetings to view their work and provide some input.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The following items were approved as submitted:

**9 AGREEMENTS** re: 1),2), 3) and 4) 2010 Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Hotel-Motel Grant Funding with: Jefferson County Historical Society (Olympic Peninsula Gateway Visitor Center; Jefferson County Tourism Coordinating Council; North Hood Canal Chamber and Visitor Center; and Jefferson County Historical Society; 5) Quilcene-Snow Watershed Implementation Phase 4 with the Washington State Department of Ecology; 6) School Nurse Corp Program Services with Olympic Education Service District (OESD) #114; 7) Technical Support for Replacement and Re-Configuration of Three (3) Routers with Leverage Information Systems; 8) Professional Engineering Services for Oak Bay Road Culvert

Replacement Projects CR1843 and Various Road Improvement Projects with Gray and Osborne, Inc.; and 9) Jefferson County Meeting and Program Space with WSU Extension Office.

**Request to Advertise to fill positions:** Citizens to Represent the Port Hadlock Urban Growth Area on the Joint Growth Management Steering Committee

**3 Advisory Board Appointments:** 1) Joan Williams to serve a 3 year term on the Olympic Area Agency on Aging (O3A) Advisory Council; 2) Ayla Taylor to serve as Port Townsend High School's alternate representative on the Climate Action Committee; and 3) Jan Marquardt to serve a 5 year term on the Jefferson County Housing Authority.

**2 Letters:** To the Washington State Department of Commerce: 1) Inviting their participation in evaluating the economic feasibility of establishing a full scale biomass co-generation facility at Clallam Bay Correctional Center; and 2) Regarding support for the National Broadband Technology Opportunity Program application

**Payment of Vouchers/Warrants:** Dated February 22, 2010 Totaling \$235,769.48

**Payment of Payroll Warrants:** Dated February 19, 2010 Totaling \$90,175.63 and Totaling \$16,089.90

## COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION:

Commissioner Austin:

- Reported that a representative of the State Department of Natural Resources (DNR) informed him that units 1 and 2 will be removed from the Silent Alder Timber Sale which begins the process of reviewing options to possibly transfer this property from the DNR to Jefferson County.

Commissioner Johnson:

- Reported that tidal generators may be built in Jefferson County to service Snohomish County which could be a potential revenue source for the County.

Commissioner Sullivan:

- Advised that he will be attending the National Association of County Officials (NACO) conference next week. The Board agreed that Commissioner Austin will serve as acting-Chairman in his absence.

County Administrator Philip Morley:

- Noted that the deadline for the Resource Conservation Management Grant application was extended and there may be future changes to the agreement that the Board approved last week.  
- Department of Community Development staff presented the completed Shoreline Master Program and stated that it will be hand delivered to the State Department of Ecology.

**BID OPENING:** Bids were received and opened for the Oak Bay Road retaining wall repair. Public Works staff will review the bids and submit a recommendation for bid award to the Board at a later date.