Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting **April 6, 2010**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens in attendance at the meeting: A man said that many people are opposed to the grant the County has been given from the EPA because it will expand the Department of Community Development (DCD) and even though these grants sound good, they are always more expensive and have continuing costs; he added that he feels people will refuse to use the resource center established in the grant; another man said that he was representing the Citizens Alliance for Property Rights who are opposed to the County accepting the EPA grant; a citizen stated that he wonders if everyone is reading the same grant because he understood this grant would establish an education center to help people through land use planning processes; another citizen asked if its been decided who will be involved in establishing this resource center and said that the Citizens Alliance for Property Rights group has many people who have the credentials and education to help with this type of resource center; another citizen thanked the Board for taking advantage of a grant that can help the County carry out some of the unfunded mandates for work that needs to be done; a citizen pointed out that unemployment is up again in Jefferson County and he thinks that the County would be wasting its time, money and effort for the work being funded by the grant; a citizen then spoke about the process of decision making by the Board and he feels that the citizens need to be in a higher level conversation than what is happening at these meeting and he suggested that the Wisdom Council process be used here; and another citizen referred to a political cartoon from this morning's Peninsula Daily News and reminded the Board that the government exists because of the health of the private sector; another citizen pointed out that the economy is going to continue to deteriorate for the next several years; a citizen questioned why the County doesn't have an attorney present at their meetings?; and a citizen congratulated DCD for the award of the EPA grant.

CONSENT AGENDA: All of the items were approved as submitted:
7 AGREEMENTS: 1) Designating the Official County Newspaper of Public Record for Legal Notices; Port Townsend - Jefferson County Leader: 2) Master Agreement for Products and Services; Unisys Corporation; 3) Regional Duty Officer; Kitsap County and Clallam County; 4) Cooperative Bidding/Purchasing Software Agreement; Clark County; 5) Supply of Liquid Asphalt Products for Bituminous Surface Treatment Program; Albina Asphalt; 6) 2010-2011 Pavement Marking on Various East Jefferson County Roads, Project No. 180-542-1844; Stripe Rite, Inc. And 7) Quinault South Shore Road Emergency Repair, Project No. XO1848; Northwest Rock, Inc.
Concurrence and Authorization to Proceed with Real Property Negotiation and Acquisition for Larry Scott Memorial Trail - Segment 4, County Project No. CR1069
Waiver of Tipping Fee: Annual All Volunteer Earth Day Cleanup; Jefferson County Public Works
Advisory Board Resignation re: Jefferson County Public Infrastructure Fund Board; Morris James, District #2 Representative
Advisory Board Reappointment; Jefferson County Parks Advisory Board; Two (2) Year Term Expires March 24, 2012; Trevor Huntingford
Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/Warrants dated March 22, 2010 totaling $270,246.17
Payment of Jefferson County Payroll Warrants dated March 19, 2010 totaling $92,210.04 and A/P Warrants done by Payroll dated March 19, 2010 totaling $33,617.77

COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION: Chairman Sullivan asked the status of the date for the next Joint Growth Management Steering Committee to which Philip Morley reported that because a date was suggested, but not all of the members confirmed they were available for that date he is still working to schedule a meeting.
Commissioner Austin reported that he attended a meeting on the Dosewallips State Park sewer system and that the Marine Science Center is looking at putting together a building to protect an Orca whale skeleton that is being assembled.
Commissioner Johnson reported that the Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) under the Secure Rural Schools legislation is back in operation and will be reviewing projects for funding or funding match.
County Administrator Philip Morley then reported that with regard to the EPA grant for DCD it is his understanding that this is a voluntary resource for citizens who are interested in assistance.

PROCLAMATIONS (2): The Board approved the following proclamations: April as Disability Awareness Month and April 5 through 11 as National Public Health Week.

HEARING: The Board took testimony on changing the name of Emil Road to Borgeson Road. No action was taken at this time because there was concern that this name might be confused with Torkelson Road.

Al Scalf was directed by the Board to draft a letter for their signature to the EPA confirming the County's support of the Watershed Management Grant application.