

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

May 3, 2010

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following comments were made by citizens in attendance at the meeting: a citizen stated that he called his insurance agent on an issue in the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) which will make many lots non-conforming and was told that people will need to purchase "Homeowner's Building and Ordinance" coverage to protect their property; a citizen stated that he also called his insurance agent on the same issue and was told that insurance companies will insure properties which are considered non-conforming; a citizen stated that the SMP and its associated buffers have a negative affect on waterfront property values which has been evidenced by the lack of sales; a citizen stated that the non-conforming status that is going to be overlaid on properties is a contentious issue and he suggested making the buffer setbacks 50' as recommended by the Planning Commission.

**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board approved the items on the Consent Agenda as submitted:

**HEARING NOTICE:** 2010 Update to the Jefferson County Non-Motorized Transportation and Recreational Trails Plan; Hearing Scheduled for Monday, May 17, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers

**RESOLUTION NO. 13-10:** Authorizing Submission of a 2011 to 2013 Washington State Heritage Capital Projects Fund Grant Application; Courthouse Historic Roof Stabilization Project

**3 AGREEMENTS:** 1) Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 17 Planning Unit with Washington State University (WSU) Extension Office; 2) 2007-2011 Consolidated Contract with Washington State Department of Health; and 3) Long-Term Payable Substance Abuse and Developmental Disabilities Programs with the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services

**Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/Warrants:** Dated April 23, 2010 totaling \$9,292.00 and dated April 26, 2010 totaling \$319,312.57; and dated April 27, 2010 totaling \$8,398.45

**COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION:** The Commissioners and County Administrator reported as follows:

Commissioner Austin:

- A committee with approximately 20 members has recently been established to evaluate how to improve and increase access to higher education in the County.
- He will be attending a State Parks Board meeting this week which will focus on the boundaries of the Dosewallips State Park along with some discussion of the Brinnon sewer system.
- He called his insurance agent to inquire about insurance coverage for non-conforming property and was told that there would more of an issue with a business than a residential property. Property being "Grandfathered" protects the right of an individual to insure their property.

Commissioner Johnson:

- Noted that the Board agreed to try to change the term from "Non-conforming" to "Legally Allowable Non-conforming."
- He will be attending a RAC meeting this week where Secure Rural Schools funding will be discussed.
- He spoke with the Vice-President of the Port Townsend Paper Corporation about getting help with fixing the roof on Memorial Field.

County Administrator Morley:

- The next Community Input Workshop is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on Monday, May 10, 2010 at the Brinnon Community Center.
- The role of WSU in all Jefferson County communities is critical to our quality of life.
- The City, County and Port are continuing to work together on a shared economic development strategy and workplan.
- The agreement with the Jefferson Equestrian Association is nearing completion. An update will be made to the Board next week.
- He is continuing to look at options for video recording the Commissioners' meetings and placing them online for public review.
- He attended a meeting with staff from the City, and the Port, and community members regarding short and long term plans for Memorial Field.