

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

May 18, 2010

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens in attendance at the meeting: a citizen believes that the 1992 administrative rules regarding non-conforming use were never formally adopted by the Commissioners; a citizen feels that the 150' setback established by the Commissioners in the Shoreline Master Program (SMP) will result in many lawsuits against the County and he suggested that the a 50' setback as proposed by the Planning Commission be used until the next SMP update is required; a citizen thanked the Commissioners for allowing him to video their meetings which has helped him to build connections with others; a citizen submitted and reviewed an economic development report dated September 2008 by Dr. Elliot Eisenberg of the National Association of Home Builders; a citizen questioned why the County, City and Port are contracting to hire an economist for \$30,000 to do economic development planning when WSU/Team Jefferson is already being paid to provide that service; a citizen reviewed Social Security funding statistics and talked about the poor economy which he believes is going to get worse and needs to be addressed by the County; a citizen feels that Commissioner Austin's support and nomination of John Fabian for the People of Puget Sound Golden Oyster Award is considered actively opposing a judicial application before Jefferson County; a citizen feels that the presentation given last week by representatives of the Jefferson Equestrian Association was a one-sided sales pitch and he believes the Commissioners are giving special treatment to this special interest group.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Board deleted the 2010 lodging tax grant funding agreement with the Port Hadlock Chamber of Commerce (item #7) and approved the remaining items as submitted:

HEARING NOTICE: 2010 Conservation Futures Funding Program Applications; Hearing scheduled for June 14, 2010 at 10:15 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers

2 AGREEMENTS: 1) Rural Arterial Program - Dosewallips Road Emergency Repair with the Washington State County Road Administration Board; and 2) Legislative Liaison Services to Pursue Road Management Resources for Upper Hoh Road with Strategies 360, Inc.

Advisory Board Resignation: William Marlow and Richard Broders from the Board of Equalization

Advisory Board Reappointment: Dave Garing to serve on the Board of Equalization for a three (3) year term expiring May 11, 2013

Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/Warrants: Dated May 10, 2010 Totaling \$457,040.43

Payment of Jefferson County Payroll Warrants: Dated May 5, 2010 totaling \$627,567.88 and dated May 6, 2010 totaling \$109,254.75

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

Commissioner Austin:

- Noted that there will be six cruise ships visiting our area this year which will promote tourism and support the local economy.

Commissioner Sullivan:

- Attended a ceremony honoring William Marlow and Richard Broders who have resigned from the Board of Equalization after 18 years of service.

- Phase 4 of Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 17 is proceeding, however, the vision of the Legislature is unknown after funding for this phase runs out.

County Administrator Morley:

- Quarterly meetings with the Commissioners and other Elected Officials will begin next Monday, May 24, 2010 at noon in the Commissioners Chambers.

- The next Community Input Workshop will be held on Monday, May 24, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. at the Gardiner Community Center.

- Next week there will be a continued briefing on the proposed Equestrian Events Center and Park agreement.

- The City and Port have both endorsed the joint economic development planning agreement in conjunction with Team Jefferson and supplemented by consultant Eric Hovee & Associates. The agreement will be brought to the Board for consideration next week.

- There has been some inter-jurisdictional discussion about forming a youth initiative to insure that various communities in east Jefferson County are welcoming to kids and families with children.

- There has been communication with JeffCom and the City regarding an agreement to locate a communications tower at the City's water reservoir site to enhance emergency communication in the area.

HEARING re: 2010 Non-Motorized Transportation and

Recreational Trails Plan: After taking public testimony regarding the 2010 Non-Motorized Transportation and Recreational Trails Plan, the Board concurred to extend the comment period until 5:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 19, 2010. The plan will be brought back to the Board for review on June 7, 2010.

Discussion re: Hearing Notice for leasing a portion of the Port

Townsend Recreation Center for Child Care Service: The Board approved a hearing notice to schedule a hearing on Monday, June 7, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Chambers to take public testimony on leasing a portion of the Port Townsend Recreation Center to a child care service.

Board of Equalization Interviews: The Board interviewed Sally Shumaker and Michael Hinojos for possible appointment to the Board of Equalization. A decision will be made after references have been reviewed.