

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

January 19, 2011

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: The following comments were made by citizens in attendance at the meeting and reflect their personal opinions:

- Climate change is going to drastically effect Jefferson County; China burns more tons of coal per year than the United States and that has an impact on the rising mercury level of our lakes; cutting the Rain Forest in the Amazon effects the ocean currents; the sun spot cycle flat lined several years ago and it appears that when this happens there is a mini-ice age. Every 10,000 years on average the earth undergoes an ice age.
- A weather station to sample upper level winds and measure local run off was offered as a gift to the City and County by a private citizen. The station is wireless, runs automatically and will notify of weather events that reach a certain event horizon.

CONSENT AGENDA: All of the items were approved as submitted:

2 AGREEMENTS: 1) Water Resource Inventory Area (WRIA) 17 Education and Outreach; North Olympic Salmon Coalition (NOSC); and 2) Open Space Taxation to Reclassify Approximately 9.70 Acres from Designated Forest Land to Open Space, MLA09-00416/ZON09-00138; George & Vicky Costakis, Applicants

Payment of Jefferson County

Vouchers/Warrants Dated December 28, 2010
Totaling \$462,750.77

Payment of Jefferson County A/P Warrants Done by Payroll Dated January 6, 2011
Totaling \$645,197.11

COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION:

The Commissioners each provided updates on the following items:

Commissioner Sullivan reported on the Brinnon Community Center Advisory Board meeting last week where he answered

questions and discussed the issues around the Senior Meal Program. The funding for this program has changed and decisions are to be made to the program to keep it running. Brinnon has been a place where there hasn't been enough attendance at these meals to sustain the program. An RFP will be sent out for operation of the Brinnon Motel sometime in the future. He also attended a meeting at Marrowstone Island last night and a meeting of the WSAC Caucus of ferry counties to develop a response to the Governor's plan for the ferry system. He has several important meetings on same day next week so he will be working with other people to make sure these meetings are all covered.

County Administrator Philip Morley reported on the joint economic development planning meeting tonight at Shold Business Park. The Quilcene meeting originally scheduled for last week has been tentatively rescheduled for February 1 at the Quilcene Community Center.

Chairman Austin reported that he was in Olympia last week meeting with DNR Commissioner Goldmark to discuss the Trust Land transfers to complete the natural area in Dabob Bay and keep the same amount of revenue coming to Fire District #2. He also met with representatives of WSAC to determine the best way to bring health issues before the legislature, especially the effect of smoke on children in cars and the need for children to be immunized; he also reported that citizens who have prescription drugs that they would like to dispose of can put them in a plastic bag and drop them off at the Sheriff's Office or the Police Department.

Letter of Support: Washington State DNR; Parcels Suggested for Trust Land

Transfer: The Board approved a letter to the DNR which identifies parcels available for land transfer which will provide JC Fire District No. 2 with the same amount of revenue they presently receive.