

Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

April 19, 2011

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

- The Prosecuting Attorney stated that there was a security scare in the Courthouse last week and several other incidents and he is concerned about Courthouse security;
- Kitsap Mental Health has had to release 61 mental health patients last month and another 300 people are being turned away from mental health care because of no funding and someone needs to champion for mental health funding in the State so the legislature puts a priority on it and the needs of people are put first;
- We need adequate security in this Courthouse and the building needs to be upgraded for earthquake;
- Everyone was invited to the Grand reopening of the park and campground in Quilcene next weekend which will include many other events during the day;
- A proclamation was submitted to the Board to recognize "Parental Alienation Awareness Day" on April 25 and it has not been on the agenda yet;
- The Board needs to talk to the lady asking for the proclamation for recognition of parental alienation as a form of child abuse;
- There are definite needs for more security and safety in the Courthouse and there needs to be security for this room;
- There are issues with the franchise agreement with PSE that is on the agenda today. This agreement says that only Jefferson County can use these poles for free but everyone else will have a pay fee and that includes NOANET. This is a non-exclusive franchise agreement and that means that PSE could come back and build a utility for just the most profitable customers while every other customer would have to pay higher prices to the PUD;
- Instead of using the Sheriff's Deputies to remove people that don't agree with the Board, security needs to be documented and the Prosecuting Attorney knows that there are certain defined weapons in the RCW.

CONSENT AGENDA: The Board deleted the Hearing Notice for the first quarter supplemental budget extensions/appropriations and approved the balance of the items on the Consent Agenda as presented.

4 AGREEMENTS: 1) Coordinated Prevention Grant - Education; Washington State Department of Ecology; 2) Grant Funding for the Port Hadlock Urban Growth Area (UGA) Sewer Design Development Project; Reclaimed Water Grants Program; Washington State Department of Ecology; 3) Recycle Warehouse Roof Repair; Olympic Steel LLC; 4) Target Zero Task Force Project; Washington Traffic Safety Administration

Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/ Warrants Dated April 11, 2011 Totaling \$677,900.02 and Dated April 12, 2011 Totaling \$1,671.50

COMMISSIONERS BRIEFING SESSION: The Commissioners each provided updates on the following items:

Commissioner Sullivan reported that he spent time in Olympia as budget issues were discussed and attended the WSAC Legislative Steering Committee. Licensing is one issue discussed regarding legalizing medical marijuana sales and the unfunded mandate it would create for counties. He also attended a PRTPO meeting in Shelton. Many communities in the region are finding that there are liability issues when Transit systems use private property for bus stops. He will be attending the Transit finance committee and the Transit Authority meetings this week. The RC&D will no longer be funded with federal dollars and the Executive Director position will manage the grants outstanding, but it is not known what will happen once those grants are concluded.

Commissioner Johnson reported that he toured the Brinnon Motel and Community Center with the County Administrator and the Facilities Maintenance Foreman. This is an important community meeting hall but there are problems with the facility that are complicated and need to be addressed. He reported that the issue of medical marijuana came up at the LEOFF Board meeting and that Board agreed that this medical expense not be allowed until the State makes the sale legal.

Chairman Austin reported that the State Board of Health (BOH) will have a presentation on the radiation from Japan as it may effect Washington State. There is monitoring done in several places around the State. They do not recommend that people take potassium. In order to save funds the State BOH has stopped paying travel expenses for the Board members. There were members who tried to participate in the meeting by phone, but that didn't work well because the technology wasn't adequate.

Philip Morley noted that Team Jefferson will be working to transition from WSU to a stand alone entity. The first joint meeting of the Regional Parks and Recreation Committee is being arranged by staff.

FRANCHISE: The Board approved the resolution granting a nonexclusive franchise to Puget Sound Energy for the installation and operation of electric power facilities in eastern Jefferson County.

CDBG GRANT CLOSEOUT AND NEW

APPLICATION: The Board approved a resolution for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Application; 2011 Public Service Grant and Close Out of the 2010 Public Service Grant; Olympic Community Action Programs (OlyCAP)

East Jefferson County Forest Plan; DNR

Managed Forest Lands: The Board approved forwarding the alternative East Jefferson County Forest Plan to the State Commissioner of Public Lands for DNR's consideration.