

# Board's Official Business

Highlights from Monday's Commissioner Meeting

December 3, 2013

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** The following is a summary of comments made by citizens in attendance at the meeting and reflect their personal opinions:

- An elected official announced that there will be a flag presentation ceremony at 1:30 p.m. on December 4, 2013 in Superior Court;
- A citizen stated: 1) Toys for Tots biggest request is shoes for children; 2) Half of the kids in the County school system are on subsidized lunches; 3) This County needs jobs, retail store space and to raise taxes; 4) Senior citizens are having to choose between prescriptions, heating or food; 5) The government wants to cut back on food stamps; 6) The Republican party in Congress is a giant satanic cult; and 7) Building permits should not take longer than two weeks;
- A citizen stated: 1) That he had been misquoted in last week's Board's Official Business (B.O.B.) as saying "*The proposed Solid Waste minimum fee would increase by 100% for 50% of the people*" when it should have read "*The proposed Solid Waste minimum fee would increase by 100% for 26% of the people*" and 2) Money received from Proposition 1 was not spent how it was originally intended; and
- A citizen commented that the Port Townsend Recreation Center is a place that everyone can use and it should be made a priority.



**CONSENT AGENDA:** The Board unanimously approved the items on the consent agenda as presented:

**RESOLUTION NO. 59-13 re: HEARING NOTICE:** Fourth Quarter 2013 Budget Appropriations/Extensions; Various County Departments; Hearing scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Chambers

**RESOLUTION NO. 60-13 re:** Closing County Administrative Offices at Noon on Christmas Eve

**CANCELLATION NOTICE re:** County Commissioner Regular Meeting; Scheduled for Monday, December 23, 2013

**2 AGREEMENTS:** 1) NO. 1363-90011 re: Partnerships for Success; Washington State Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS); and 2) Civil Engineering Services for Olympic Discovery Trail – South Discovery Bay – NOVA Planning Grant No. 12-1735P; Parametrix

**Payment of Jefferson County Vouchers/Warrants** Dated November 21, 2013 Totaling \$1,298.97 and Dated November 25, 2013 Totaling \$96,626.72

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

Chairman Austin

- Canvassing Board vote tallying has been completed.
- Will be attending an Ecosystem Recovery Network meeting, Regional Support Network meeting and an Olympic Consortium Board meeting this week.
- Will be attending a State Board of Health meeting where one of the discussions will be on obtaining a sustainable funding system for septic systems throughout the state.

Commissioner Johnson

- Will be attending a Hood Canal Coordinating Council meeting and a Parks and Recreation Advisory Board meeting this week.

Commissioner Sullivan

- Will be attending an OlyCAP meeting this week and working on the budget for 2014. All OlyCAP programs are currently in the black.
- Will be attending an Olympic Area Agency on Aging meeting, a Resource Conservation and Development meeting, a Peninsula Development District meeting, Maritime Discovery School meeting and a Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization meeting this week.

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**HEARING re: Jefferson County 2014 Budget:** After hearing public comment, the Board directed staff to prepare a final 2014 Budget for adoption on December 9, 2013.

**Interviews of Candidates to Serve as Jefferson County Assessor:** The Board interviewed the following candidates for the position of Jefferson County Assessor; Gary Felder, Jeff Chapman and Judy Maves-Klatt.

**Executive Session:** The Board held an Executive Session to discuss personnel matters - appointment to an elected office.

**Assessor Appointment:** The Board appointed Jeff Chapman as the new Jefferson County Assessor upon Jack Westerman's retirement at the end of this year.

**Briefing re: Proposed State Department of Ecology Meeting:** Port Commissioner Dave Thompson met with the Board regarding a joint meeting with various Jefferson County agencies and the State Department of Ecology. The Board expressed interested in participating in the meeting. No timeframe for meeting yet.

**Continued Discussion re: Conservation Futures Code Revisions:** The Board met with Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney David Alvarez regarding his four suggestions for Code revisions regarding the Conservation Futures Citizen Oversight Committee. The Board directed Conservation Futures staff to make two of the suggested revisions to the County Code.