

August 11, 2008

- 08-10-08 mtg The meeting of the County Commissioners was held in their meeting room at 9:00am. All members were present.
- YTD Investment Earnings (1)
YTD Investment Earnings Report from the Treasurer's Office was \$143,451.29.
- Minutes (2)
Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve the minutes of their August 4, 2008 meeting. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- BOE opening (3)
Liz Braun, Commissioners Programs, mentioned Charles Shonkwiler has given his notice for the Board of Equalization. The Board approved advertising for the opening.
- R Curren-PO Park, ER&R Survey (4)
Public Works Director, Ron Curren, met with the Board and noted Park Caretaker, James Francis, has given his notice. His last day will be August 22, 2008. The Board discussed using an honor system in collecting park fees for the rest of the season. Ron also provided correspondence from the County Road Administration Board with the Equipment Rental and Revolving survey results.
- R Curren-Truck value, Middle Branch LeClerc (5)
Ron Curren discussed the value of the truck for the Town of Ione. The whole sale value is listed as \$30,250.00, the loan value as \$28,125.00, and the retail value as \$36,250.00. Ron also noted that he has spoken to Sandy Dotts, with the State Department of Fish and Wildlife, regarding the Middle Branch of LeClerc Creek fish passage issues.
- R Curren-DNR App (6)
Ron Curren noted he has received the Department of Natural Resources Right of Entry application for the harvester to be on Pend Oreille River. It is a five-year permit. Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve Ron signing the permit application. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver. K. Oliver also noted the Fair Board has requested a couple loads of gravel for their new building. Ron will look into it. Ron also stated the Off Highway Vehicle signs have been ordered.
- EXE SES (7)
EXECUTIVE SESSION-Emergency Management Director, JoAnn Boggs and Chief of Communications, Steve West, advised the Board they needed to speak to them regarding the acquisition of real estate as under RCW 42.30.110(1b) for 15 minutes.
- J Boggs-C-2008-17 (8)
JoAnn Boggs provided the Washington State Military Department Contract #E08-320 for \$28,405.00. Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve the contract. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- CONTRACT NO. 2008-17 VOL 28 PAGE 467-489 COMMISSIONERS RECORDING
- S West-grant (9)
Steve West mentioned a joint communications grant that was awarded to the County
- A Botzheim-A-2008-43 (10)
Alan Botzheim met with the Board to provide a Justice Information Network Service Level Agreement with Washington State Department of Information Services. Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve the agreement. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- AGREEMENT NO. 2008-43 VOL 28 PAGE 490-498 COMMISSIONERS RECORDING
- T Metzger-Herd districts (11)
Prosecutor Tom Metzger discussed the requests for two herd districts, a new one and one being added to the Furport Herd District. They discussed having the necessary notice and signage entering and leaving herd districts. The herd district does not include goats, sheep and swine. The Board will need time to have the applications reviewed. Tom suggested not adding to the Furport Herd District until it is determined to be a legal herd district.
- T Metzger-BLM burn notice (12)
Tom Metzger discussed the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) imposing a no burn notice. Tom noted the BLM controls federal land that they manage. Their burn notice does not affect County residents. Tom also noted that homeowner associations can not issue their own rules on this matter.
- EXE SES (13)
EXECUTIVE SESSION-Tom Metzger advised the Board he needed to speak to them regarding the performance of a public employee as under RCW 42.30.110(g) for 5 minutes and the acquisition of real estate as under RCW 42.30.110(1b) for 10 minutes.

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Counseling Services Director, Steve Patton, provided an update.

S Patton-update

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The Board recessed for lunch.

Lunch

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Charles Amburgey met with the Board regarding herd districts. They discussed signage and scheduling the public hearings mid-September

C Amburgey-Herd Dist

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County Engineer, Don Ramsey, and Data Processing Coordinator, Jill Shacklett, met with the Board and provided the Insurance Fund Assessment 2008 Budget. Don listed items that had been removed from the 2008 budget, resulting in a shortage of funds to pay for the insurance premium coming due.

D Ramsey, J Shacklett-
Insurance Fund

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Don Ramsey and Information Specialist, Larry Hammel, met with the Board to discuss herd districts. They provided maps and detailed the individual herd districts, stressing where rights-of-way were unclear, legal descriptions muddled, the use of old road names and road numbers and other concerns. Larry provided new legal descriptions in some instances. Don will talk with Tom Metzger regarding procedure to rescind all of the old herd districts and adopting the new ones in a blanket document. Larry will review the two new requests. The Board discussed having hearings mid-September. Don suggested an informal open house, posting the different herd district documents for viewing, and the possibility of using a fire hall.

D Ramsey, L Hammel-Herd
Dist

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Senior Planner, Mike Lithgow, has been reviewing the Requests for Qualifications for a County Space and Facility Needs Study. There are a total of six proposals. Don Ramsey suggested having a committee of himself, Mike and a Commissioner to make a recommendation. L. Merrill will read through the proposals and meet with Don and Mike.

M Lithgow-RFQ

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Don Ramsey discussed the present ER&R rate structure and a draft proposal ER&R rate structure for a longer vehicle life. Don also mentioned the recent Fair Board meeting and different issues covered. The Board also asked Don for options on replacing the hand rail on the front steps of the Courthouse.

D Ramsey-ER&R rate structure

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Jackie Kiehn and Marie Clifner with Pend Oreille Crime Victims Services met with the Board to request use of \$5,500.00 from the 2007, 2060 budget, due to a billing from Rural Resources that was to be paid from 2007 funds, but was not received until 2008. Jill Shacklett and Marianne Nichols were also present. Jill explained the 2007 budget is over, but the funds can be taken from the 2008 budget. Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve the amount be taken from the 2008 budget. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

J Kiehn, M Clifner-budget

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Clerk of the Board/Chief Civil Service Examiner, Chris Mylar, requested Liz Braun attend the annual Civil Service training held in Yakima. Liz has been attending the training every other year. The Board denied the request due to budgetary reasons.

C Mylar-training

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Motion was made by L. Merrill to continue the meeting until August 12, 2008. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

Continue

August 12, 2008

The meeting of the County Commissioners was continued in their meeting room at 9:00am. All members were present.

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Maxine and David Utter met with the Board regarding a potential flooding concern. The Board stated they have no jurisdiction over the City of Newport and suggested they get on the agenda of either the City Planning Commission or City Council.

M Utter-flooding

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District Ranger, John Buehler, and Forest Service staff member, Amy Dillon, met with the Board. They noted the two Misery Lake Timber Sales ready for bid. These sales total 17 million board feet. One of the two will be a stewardship sale. D. Cummings mentioned he and two men from the Resource Conservation and Development tried to meet with John with regards to making hydrogen and methanol from wood and the need for a dependable wood supply. John is interested in more information. John stated the Recreational OHV trails maps should be published in another month. K. Oliver spoke about the need for one- and two-day OHV trips. They discussed the Hanland project and Amy reviewed maps of the area. She has scheduled a public meeting at the end of this month. They hope to have the document

J Buehler-Forest Service
Timber Sales

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out this winter with the presale next year. D. Cummings stated he would like to see the timber sales brought to 60 million board feet each year. John noted the Power Lake timber sale is the next project along with another area close to the Canadian border. The Board also spoke about the BPA weed problem along their power lines.

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D Wilson-budget

The Board placed a conference call to Dale Wilson with Rural Resources for an update regarding the Ione housing project. They also discussed budget issues. Dale will put in for reimbursement of the \$5,500.00, but it may not go through until 2009.

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K Oliver-Cusick Council mtg

K. Oliver discussed the recent Cusick Council meeting, stating the Council approved to annex 50 acres. Also they have received a grant to remodel the Town Council building. They are adopting State bicycle laws.

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C Goodhue-Replacing AS400

Information Technologies Supervisor, Chad Goodhue, met with the Board to discuss replacement of the AS400. He estimates the cost to be \$886,000.00, plus approximately \$100,000.00 for the needed hardware. The following budgets can be used Auditor's O&M, REET and Current Expense. The AS400 is serviced by CompuTech and they will not continue to provide service as of December 31, 2009. Chad looks at this as a ten year commitment.

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Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch.

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Seattle City Light

Terra Leininger, Metaline Falls Mayor, Trent Hanson Metaline Mayor, Dick Norton and Rick Stone, Fire District 2 Commissioners, Nancy Lotze, Selkirk School District Superintendent, Tom Metzger, Sung Yang and Lisa Rennie, with Seattle City Light, met with the Board. Diane Wear and John Hankey were also present. Sung Yang spoke about Seattle City Light, including how long they have been in the County and how many customers they serve. They want to be viewed as good neighbors and good stewards and are here to try to arrange for a fair impact fee. The agreement expires at the end of this year. Tom Metzger spoke about a mechanism to deal with items that may come about from the relicensing. They discussed taking delivery in our county and how it helps our tax base, now with authorization of the stream-lining tax, and the use of local workers. They also discussed long term fiber needs and partnering with Seattle. The Board noted resources change and tourism is growing. Nancy requested the impact payments made to Selkirk School District be paid in a lump sum totaling \$7.5 million, to be used towards the construction of a school facility. Trent spoke about a dock in the Town of Metaline. D. Cummings spoke about bringing a working model steam engine, which is owned by Seattle City Light, to our county. The Fire District Commissioners spoke about increased fire district costs which include health care costs for their EMT employee.

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Payroll changes

The Board approved the following payroll changes:

PUBLIC WORKS

Kristin Taylor-end of seasonal employment, effective 09-18-08

Jessica Webb-end of seasonal employment, effective 09-18-08

Kyle James-end of seasonal employment, effective 08-15-08

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Corr

Correspondence:

8.1 Carol Graham, Int'l Selkirk Loop-Selkirk Loop on International Marketing Website

8.2 MRSC-Budget Suggestions for 2009

8.3 Bonneville Power Admin.-August 2008 Journal

8.4 Julie Kjorsvik, Kittitas Co.-Event Request Applications

8.5 Michelle Griffin, USDA-UCRCD Minutes 7-09-2008

8.6 Mary Pat DeLeva, Seattle-Boundary Relicensing Fish & Aquatics Workgroup Meeting August 7, 2008

8.7 Gayle L. Cagianut-Burn Ban in Pend Oreille County

8.8 Karen Van Soest, TEDD-2 Seattle training opportunities for Active Transportation proponents

8.9 Theresa Patrick, DUH-PC Training in Spokane

8.10 Grantstation-CTED GrantStation Insider 08.04.2008

8.11 Michelle Griffin, USDA-Upper Columbia RC&D 8-13-08 Council Agenda

8.12 Ann Farmer-International Selkirk Loop

8.13 Sheryle Wyatt-WMCA Re: Public Records Act Opinion

8.14 Mike Blankenship-Draft Concept

8.15 Michelle Griffin, Upper Columbia RC&D-Phone number for teleconference on August 13th

8.16 Cheyne, BLM-Spokane District BLM Releases Project Planning Update

8.17 Michelle Griffin, Upper Columbia RC&D-Pacific Rim Regional Association of Resource Conservation & Development Councils' Agenda Conference

8.18 Theresa Patrick, DOH-Written Communication Classes for E. WA

8.19 Eric Johnson, Washington Counties-WSAC Deputy Director Announcement

8.20 Newt Gingrich-CHT Monthly E-Newsletter: August 2008

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- 8.21 Western Counties Alliance-Urgent PILT/SRS Alert
- 8.22 Sheryl Wyatt-Washington Municipal Clerks Association Executive Committee Monthly Report 8/08
- 8.23 Brad Caldwell, ECY-Boundary Relicensing Fish & Aquatics Workgroup Meeting August 7, 2008
- 8.24 Susan Harris, PORTA-Washington State Travel Planner Ad- follow up data, rates & distribution info
- 8.25 Susan Harris, PORTA-Washington State Travel Planner Ad - follow up data
- 8.26 Yvonne Chase-Governor's 2008 Economic & Workforce Development Conf. Sept. 3-4, Lynnwood
- 8.27 Liz Braun-FW: Tonia Sugarman re Safety Alliance and Retro Pool Updates
- 8.28 David Condon-Regional Transportation Roundtable-August 13th
- 8.29 American Land Rights Association-Part One Deadline Mon Aug 11th Casino Testimony
- 8.30 Debbie Bechtol, Ferry County-Five County Commissioner Meeting Minutes for 7/16/08
- 8.31 Debbie Bechtol, Ferry County-Tri-County 7-16, 2008
- 8.32 Congresswoman Cathy McMorris Rodgers-August 2008 Update
- 8.33 American Land Rights Association-Part Two-Deadline Mon Aug 11th Cowlitz Testimony
- 8.34 Laurie Dschaak, CTED-2009 CDBG General Purpose Grant Application Workshop Announcement
- 8.35 Liquor Control Board-License
- 8.36 Aging & Long Term Care of Eastern WA-August 8, 2008 meeting
- 8.37 Counties-Granicus Software
- 8.38 Counties-Prosecuting Attorney salary
- 8.39 Rusty Squires-Retirement flyer for Steve Patton
- 8.40 County Road Administration Board-Regular Motor Vehicle Fuel Tax allocation factors
- 8.41 Office of Public Defense-Application for 2009 funding
- 8.42 Bureau of Land Management-Planning update
- 8.43 National Forest-Collaboration Workshops
- 8.44 Mike Lithgow-Notice of Application, Miller Boundary Line Adjustment
- 8.45 Mike Lithgow-Notice of Application, Holman Boundary Line Adjustment
- 8.46 Carol Graham, International Selkirk Loop-Budget for next meeting
- 8.47 Jennifer Watts, International Selkirk Loop-08-14-08 phone conference
- 8.48 Town of Metaline-Agenda for 08-13-08 meeting
- 8.49 Mary pat DiLeva, Seattle-Boundary Relicensing
- 8.50 K. Oliver-DOE Water Right Permit
- 8.51 Charles Shonkwiler-Notice of resignation from Board of Equalization
- 8.52 Ron Curren-ER&R Survey from CRAB

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As of this date the Board approved for payment the following vouchers as listed and made available by the Auditor's Office:

Vouchers

Fund	Salary Fund Amt.	Salary Warrant#	Claim Fund Amt.	Claim Warrant #
Current Expense	398,767.52	81419	50,925.67	803816
Counseling Services	89,208.35		6,378.13	
Fair			23,876.35	
Crime Victims Compensation	734.18			
Park	1,779.79			
Park/Weed (Milfoil) Control	2,658.26			
Solid Waste	11,556.06			
Road	154,716.36		1,850.42	
Timber Sales			5,480.13	
Extension Education			1,223.77	
Drug Enforcement	7,297.17			
Clerk's Collections	1,246.94			
Enhanced 911 System	44,123.79			
Growth Management	5,844.65		13,542.14	
Capital Projects			152.47	
Equipment R&R			75,987.97	
Sheriff's Trust			108.00	803958
Computer Equipment/IT Fund	2,824.18	81584		

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Motion was made by L. Merrill to adjourn. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

Adjourned

ATTEST: _____ APPROVED: _____
 Clerk of the Board Chairman of the Board