

September 15, 2008

- 09-15-08 The meeting of the County Commissioners was held in their meeting room at 9:00am. All members were present.
- (1)
YTD Investment Earnings Report from the Treasurer's Office was \$155,243.63.
- YTD Investment
- (2)
Motion was made by D. Cummings to approve the minutes of their September 8, 2008 meeting. Motion was seconded by L. Merrill and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- Min
- (3)
Finance Committee: Those present, Treasurer, Charlotte Demlow, Auditor, Marianne Nichols, Data Processing Coordinator, Jill Shacklett and K. Oliver.
- Finance Committee
- (4)
It was noted when Joe Cagianut was appointed to the Planning Commission, effective July 1, 2008, the Board did not complete a motion. Today motion was made by L. Merrill to make that appointment. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- J Cagianut appointed
- (5)
The Board received a conference call from Janelle Atyeo with the Newport Miner and she asked if a replacement will be hired to fill Annabelle Payne's old position. The Board stated that will be up to Annabelle to make that recommendation.
- J Atyeo-Counseling
- (6)
Prosecutor, Tom Metzger, met with the Board to discuss a number of current items in his department. He noted Recording Deputy, Linda Blore, located old documents pertaining to the Fair property which showed the property was purchased by the County from the Town of Cusick.
- T Metzger-update
- (7)
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 15 minutes.
- EXE SES
- (8)
Counseling Services Director, Annabelle Payne, met with the Board. She and the Board will review a number of items pertaining to her appointment. They set 11:00am, September 16, 2008 to meet with her.
- A Payne-update
- (9)
The Board recessed for lunch.
- Lunch
- (10)
Planning Director, Jim Marthaller, met with the Board. He discussed the building permit summary and the 2008 budget, stating he expects the building permits revenue to be down approximately \$30,000.00, but the conditional use permits and other fees will carry the budget. He also discussed the costs to illuminate the U. S. flags. The project will be placed in the Comprehensive Plan and into the 2009 Capital Projects budget. Jim also discussed stop work orders. He is working on a spread sheet to show the status of each. Jim and the Board discussed the Metaline Cemetery Gazebo. Everyone remembers that the building fees were waived, but no record can be found. Motion was made by L. Merrill to approve waiving those fees. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- J Marthaller-bldg permits, fees
- (11)
Public Works Director, Ron Curren, met with the Board. They discussed the needed work on Yocum Lake Road. Ron will make contact with those land owners. It was mentioned that Larry Hammel will attend the Herd District hearings. Ron and the Board discussed contacting the Department of Ecology regarding waste from the Sheriff's Department. After discussion, the Board asked Ron to discuss applying for these fees through the Ecology litter grant with Chief of Corrections, Fred Johnson, with the understanding it will not reduce the amount received for salaries.
- R Curren-Yocum Lake, Ecology grant
- (12)
Ron Curren requested to purchase a John Deere Skid Steer Loader for \$42,114.03 from Rowand Machinery Company, from the second portion of the Solid Waste Off-cycle Grant. The total grant is \$203,000.00. After discussion, motion was made by D. Cummings to approve the purchase. Motion was seconded by L. Merrill and so ordered by K. Oliver.
- R Curren-OK purchase
- (13)
The Board gave Ron Curren a Preliminary Departmental Report of Recommendations for the Public Works Department and requested his reply to the recommendations by September 29, 2008.
- R Curren-Departmental Report
- (14)
EXECUTIVE SESSION-The Board advised Ron Curren they needed to speak to him regarding the performance of a public employee as under RCW 42.30.110(g) for 30 minutes.
- EXE SES

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(15)
The Board requested a written report from Ron Curren regarding the Usk Bridge. There is a concern about what the County will be responsible to pay, such as the overhead administrative charges.

R Curren-written report

(16)
Joe Onley, Chair of the Economic Development Council (EDC) and Lonnie Johnson, Vice-Chair, met with the Board to provide an EDC update. Lonnie mentioned the new Boundary Operations Manager, Jay Pickett. The next EDC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday. During that meeting they will review the work plan strategy and the web site progress. Joe noted that he and L. Merrill called on Tom Addis Ford. It was noted Terry Knapton wanted to express the Tribe's commitment to help with economic development in the County. Lonnie mentioned the skills classes at Selkirk High and the involvement by K. Oliver.

J Onley, L Johnson, EDC-update

(17)
Weed Control Coordinator, Sharon Sorby, along with staff, Jan Rice, Loretta Nichols and Noxious Weed Board Member, Warren Koontz, met with the Board. They discussed numerous budget items. Assistant Treasurer, Terri Miller, was also present and discussed a carry over in the Weed budget of approximately \$30,000.00, resulting from the Neighborhood Cost Share.

S Sorby-budget

(18)
Ron Curren provided two forms from the U. S. Forest Service for the Bear Paw Project pertaining to lobbying for the project. Motion was made by L. Merrill for the Chairman to sign the documents. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

R Curren-Bear Paw Project

(19)
Motion was made by L. Merrill to continue the meeting until September 16, 2008. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

Continue

September 16, 2008

09-16-08

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

(20)
The Board discussing having an Advisory Salary Board and gave a copy of the RCW to Auditor, Marianne Nichols. K. Oliver placed a call to Tom Metzger requesting he begin the process by establishing an ordinance or resolution for the Salary Board.

Advisory Salary Board

(21)
Information Technologies Supervisor, Chad Goodhue, discussed connectivity to the County Road Shops. He stated he has been in contact with POVN and everything was moving forward. Then POVN stated there was a problem with a private citizen broadcasting from Cooks Mountain which will cause disruptions in service. Ron Curren was also present and they spoke about the building on Cooks Mountain. The Board asked Ron to assign someone to check the building once a month.

C Goodhue-update

(22)
Chad Goodhue spoke about the CIC demonstration and the need to re-evaluate the Mitchell Humphrey Company.

C Goodhue-computer demonstrations

(23)
Cody Francis with Pend Oreille Crime Victims Services, met with the Board regarding a CTED Thor grant they were considering applying for. They have determined the services would take too many man hours for the funds received and have decided to withdraw from the grant application. They needed a signature confirming they are not going to apply. Motion was made by D. Cummings to have the Chairman sign the withdrawal form. Motion was seconded by L. Merrill and so ordered by K. Oliver.

C Francis-grant

(24)
EXECUTIVE SESSION-Sheriff, Jerry Weeks, informed the Board he needed to speak to them regarding contract negotiations as under RCW 42.30.140 for 30 minutes. Undersheriff, Mike Cress, Chief of Communications, Steve West and Chief of Corrections, Fred Johnson, were also present.

EXE SES

(25)
Jerry Weeks discussed the ER&R Policy and Procedure Resolution. The Board discussed rescinding the present resolution.

J Weeks-ER&R Policy

(26)
Counseling Services Director, Annabelle Payne, met with the Board and they stated they will be meeting with her each week and would like a written report from her to include the different areas within her department. They feel it is important to them when they are attending the regional board meetings or there is legislation. They reviewed a number of items that will be put into a letter for her to review and sign. They also asked for documentation prior to an employee moving to the next salary step. Annabelle recommended Tonya Stern be moved to her old job, with a new job title. The Board asked for a new job description. They also requested Annabelle create an organizational chart for the department.

A Payne-Director position

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(27)

EXE SES EXECUTIVE SESSION-Annabelle Payne advised the Board she needed to speak to them regarding the performance of a public employee as under RCW 42.30.110(g) for 15 minutes.

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J Storms-Sewer Board

Jeff Storms met with the Board and stated that after the loss of Jan Anderson from the Sacheen Lake Sewer Board, the two Board Members attempted to pick a commissioner, but are dead locked. The Board stated Tom Metzger has clarified that according to RCW 42.12.070, the Board has to wait 90 days from Jan Anderson's death before they can make any decisions.

(29)

T Speight-new construction figures

Thomas Speight met with the Board regarding new construction figures.

(30)

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch. L. Merrill left at 1:30pm for two hours to attend a meeting with Patty Murray's Staff regarding Usk Bridge funding.

(31)

R Curren-Park house

Ron Curren and the Board discussed having Oliver Johnson live in the Pend Oreille Park house. They discussed details that will be included in the contract with Oliver. There is a separate electric meter for the house and Oliver will be responsible for that cost. They asked Ron to prepare a detailed listing of separate duties and responsibilities for Oliver while living in the house. Oliver will report to Ron. Motion was made by D. Cummings to authorize Tom Metzger to write a contract with Oliver as contract caretaker at the Park. Motion was seconded by K. Oliver. Motion carried.

(32)

R Curren-Yocum Lake Rd

Ron Curren provided the Title II funding application for 2008 Yocum Lake Road construction. Motion was made by D. Cummings to approve the Chairman signing the application. Motion was seconded by K. Oliver. Motion carried.

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R Curren-G-2008-8

Ron Curren provided the Federal Financial Assistance Grant No. 08-DG-11062100-046, for Title II funding of Bear Paw Road improvements. Motion was made by D. Cummings to approve the Chairman signing the Grant. Motion was seconded by K. Oliver. Motion carried.

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(34)

Continue

Motion was made by L. Merrill to continue the meeting for the Herd District Hearings scheduled for September 16 and 17, 2008 at 6:00pm. Motion was seconded by D. Cummings and so ordered by K. Oliver.

(35)

HRG

HEARING-Moon Creek Herd District-The Notice was read and the Chairman opened the hearing. There were a number of people present that gave comments.

(36)

HRG

HEARING-South Skookum Creek Herd District -The Notice was read and the Chairman opened the hearing. There were a number of people present that gave comments.

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Corr

Correspondence:

- 9.32 Paul Machtolf-PUD Turbine Project
- 9.33 John Halterman-Tri-County EDD-AmeriCorps Positions Open
- 9.34 Evelyn Bell-Budget meetings
- 9.35 Diana Windsor-ALTCEW Exit
- 9.36 Debby Storms-Applicant for vacant Sacheen Lake Sewer and Water District
- 9.37 Gary Mitchell, USDA-2008 Upper Columbia RC&D
- 9.38 Eric Johnson, WSAC-Election 2008
- 9.39 Eric Johnson, WSAC-New Staff Member
- 9.40 NACo-Newsletter
- 9.41 Robert Weidner-Sen. Reid to allow drilling votes
- 9.42 Shelly Stafford-Nationwide Deferred Comp workshop
- 9.43 JoAnn Boggs-Meeting cancellation
- 9.44 Diana Windsor, State Auditors Office-ALTCEW audit
- 9.45 Town of Metaline-agenda
- 9.46 Cheyne Rossbach, BLM-Seeking public comments
- 9.47 Chris Evers-Meeting on 19th
- 9.48 Cathy McMorris Rodgers-Update
- 9.49 Shelly Stafford-Open position
- 9.50 Western Counties Alliance-Newsletter
- 9.51 American Land Rights Assoc-Forest Service Raises Recreation Fees

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- 9.52 Janea Eddy, CTED-Seeking comments on the use of HUD funds
- 9.53 Tonia Sugarman, WSAC-Newly Elected conference call
- 9.54 Beth Dubey, WSAC-Annual Conference
- 9.55 John Halterman-EDC Agenda
- 9.56 Mike Blankenship-Columbiana.org
- 9.57 Dawn Geiger, NCWRSN-Governing Board Meeting
- 9.58 NACO-Methamphetamine Prevention Forum
- 9.59 Carolyn Russell-Parks & Rec Mtg
- 9.60 Lyman Joe Smith-Interest in Board of Equalization
- 9.61 Craig Jenkins-Interest in Board of Equalization
- 9.62 Aging & Long Term Care of Eastern WA-Aging Population Forum, 10-07-08
- 9.63 Safety Committee-August minutes
- 9.64 Mike Lithgow to Steering Committee-09-18-08 meeting
- 9.65 Nancy Rusho-Request recreational fires during "high" fire danger
- 9.66 Center for Health Transformation-Newsletter
- 9.67 Judy Henshaw-Moving Extension Office
- 9.68 Janet Lambarth, WSU-Using Mental Health basement for IT purposes
- 9.69 Roger Woodruff, USDA-Environment Assessment
- 9.70 Forest Practices Board-Notice of Rule Making Activity
- 9.71 Laudia Michalke-NEWFC agenda
- 9.72 Mary Pat DiLeva, Seattle-boundary Relicensing
- 9.73 Dave Livingston-Chamber Meeting 09-16-08
- 9.74 WA Counties-Superior Ct Security, Civil Service Commission Secretary, Deputy Clerk of the Board Resolution
- 9.75 Angela Cain-Working to fill two weeks schedule
- 9.76 Eric Johnson-SRS/PILT
- 9.77 Tom Robinson-SRS/PILT
- 9.78 Ken Oliver-Endorsement Sheet
- 9.79 Cathy McMorris Rodgers-Newsletter
- 9.80 Thubten Semkye-Moving the Weed Board and Extension Offices
- 9.81 Jeff Garner-Trash grabber tool

(38)

The Board sent the following correspondence:

Corr sent

Diane Wear-September 16, 2008 meeting with Senator Murray's staff

(39)

The Board approved the following application for advance travel expense:

Advance Travel

Dolly Hunt, 10-01-08, \$135.00

(40)

The Board approved the following payroll changes:

Payroll changes

COUNSELING SERVICES

Annabelle Payne, Counseling Director, step 2 \$5,766, effective 09-15-08

EXTENSION

Deana Shrader, discharge, effective 09-10-08

SHERIFF

Aaron Gauthier, Longevity \$35/month, effective 10-01-08

PUBLIC WORKS

Teresa Brooks, Longevity \$35/month, effective 10-01-08

PROSECUTOR

Dolly Hunt, Step 4 \$4971, effective 10-01-08

(41)

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

Vouchers

<u>Fund</u>	<u>Salary Fund Amt.</u>	<u>Salary Warrant #</u>	<u>Claim Fund Amt.</u>	<u>Claim Warrant #</u>
Current Expense			122,328.01	804521
Counseling Services			6,173.81	
Fair			8,621.13	
Law Library			165.00	
Road			99,682.63	
Veteran's Assistance			46.15	
Timber Sales			25,000.00	
Extension Education			37.40	
Solid Waste			113.58	
Equipment R&R			304.19	804637

(42)

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

Adjourn

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