

BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

AUGUST 12, 2003

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chairperson Herb Baze.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - The flag salute was led by Cmmr. Herb Baze.
3. Roll Call - Present: Cmmr. Dist. 1 - Herb Baze; Cmmr. Dist. 2 - Wesley E. Johnson; Cmmr. Dist 3. - Jayni L. Kamin
4. Approval of Minutes – **Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded to approve the regular meeting minutes of August 5, 2003. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.**
5. Board's Calendar for week of August 12 – August 19.
6. Correspondence and Organizational Business
 - 6.1 Correspondence - E-mails in support of the Belfair sewer system connection to Allyn were received from: Dr. Brian Petersen, Belfair Planning Committee Co-Chair; Rick & Leslie Krueger; Les & Betty Krueger; Michael Greene; Margie Kaiser, Belfair resident; Peggy Hager; Cathy Wolf, CPA; Jacy Griffin, Mason County business, home and property owner; Neil W. Werner
 - 6.2 Announcement that ER&R purchased eight Axiohm transaction printers for the Treasurer's financial system in the amount of \$5,352. This was through the post for quotes bid procedures. Dave Loser, Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund Manager, announced that they have selected the lowest of five bidders to Nationwide P.O.S.com of St. Louis, Missouri.
 - 6.3 Recognition to individuals involved with the Truman Glick Park trail project through the 4-H Forestry Leadership Program. Mike Rutter, Parks Director, explained that they have had a group of young people that have participated with the Washington State University Cooperative Extension 4-H Forest Leadership Program in developing trails at the Truman Glick Park. The individuals which were recognized with a certificate were: Walter Austin, Lindsey Belcher, Eli Elliott, Laura Gamache, Ashlee Harris, Melissa McLachlan, Kayla Paradise, Malinda Red, and Anna Smith.
7. Open Forum for Citizen Input - Ken VanBuskirk spoke to the planning efforts of Belfair Subarea Planning Committee. He stated the consultant, Makers, was hired and is being managed by the Planning Department. The scope of work included to help plan for a population projection between 4,000 - 5,000 people. The subconsultant, Eco Northwest, estimated less people. When asked about the draft proposal the plan equates to 12,000 people. He felt it is too many people in the Belfair core even with the sewer. The Belfair core sits on top of a critical aquifer recharge area and it should be protected and not developed to that extreme. The co-chairmen of the committee are aware of the consultant's draft. He felt that the Planning Department and consultant should be held accountable to the scope of work.
8. Adoption of Agenda - **Cmmr. Kamin/Johnson moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.**
9. Approval of Consent Agenda:
 - 9.1 Approval of the interlocal agreement with Wenatchee Valley College to purchase used telecommunications equipment in the total amount of \$5,450 plus shipping and tax, funded by ER&R.
 - 9.2 Approval of resolution for the cancellation of outstanding warrants that are at least one year old. The total amount cancelled is \$9,134.29. **Resolution No. 86-03 (Exhibit A)**
 - 9.3 Approval of DSHS contract amendment #1 for Children With Special Needs for the period of 7/1/03 through 9/30/03.
 - 9.4 Approval of a resolution setting a public hearing on Tuesday, August 26, 2003 at 6:30 p.m. for a supplemental appropriation to the 2003 budget in the estimated amount of \$12,275 to the Mason Lake Management District #2 Fund and \$16,500 to the Current Expense Fund. **Resolution No. 87-03 (Exhibit B)**

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- 9.5 Approval of a resolution adopting the Mason County Hazard Communication Program. **Resolution No. 88-03 (Exhibit C)**
- 9.6 Approval of a resolution adopting the Mason County Respiratory Protection Program. **Resolution No. 89-03 (Exhibit D)**
- 9.7 Approval of a resolution adopting the Mason County Hearing Conservation Program. **Resolution No. 90-03 (Exhibit E)**
- 9.8 Appointment of Terri Jeffreys to the Planning Advisory Committee to fill an open position.
- 9.9 Approval of a Mason County Code of Conduct as requested for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) for the Housing Needs Assessment.
- 9.10 Approval of Change Order No. 1 to the contract with Christensen, Inc. for remodeling Building 8 in the amount of \$1,699 to revise existing plumbing to meet current codes.
- 9.11 Approval of Change Order No. 2 to the contract with Christensen, Inc. for remodeling Building 8 in the amount of \$3,558 for installation of communications raceways.
- 9.12 Approval of Change Order No. 3 to the contract with Christensen, Inc. for remodeling Building 8 in the amount of \$7,710 for replacement of existing entry ramp to upper floor.

Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda, items 9.1 - 9.12 as read aloud. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.

RECESS - The Board recessed at 9:25 a.m. until 9:30 a.m.

10. 9:30 a.m. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time

- 10.1 The North Bay Water Reclamation Facility near Allyn to serve the Belfair area. Gary Yando, Director of Utilities & Waste Management, presented the recommendation for approval for the Director of Utilities & Waste Management to include in the Belfair Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facility Plan Amendment the connection of the Belfair sewer collection system to the existing water reclamation facility serving Allyn, Victor and Lakeland Village area. It was noted that public meetings were held in Allyn and Belfair to inform the public and receive input that the existing water reclamation facility was performing better than expected and has more capacity than originally anticipated. The original design capacity has not been fully used and the infiltration pond was performing better. Over the past few months additional information has been brought forth suggesting it may be more cost effective to utilize the existing facility to serve the Belfair area. The information provided included a brief history of how they arrived at where they are. At the original hearing on July 15 the Department of Utilities & Waste Management responded to the questions submitted by the Allyn Community Association. Since that hearing, five additional questions have been received and responses were provided.

It was stated if there is a business that has wastewater that is not the same as household water, they are responsible to treat the water before putting it in the system.

It was clarified that the 220 connections from North Shore extends to Belfair State Park and surrounding area.

Wendy Ervin referred to a dock and asked if the County is trying to get the prohibition of shellfish harvest lifted in the dock area. She shared that when she worked with the Shellfish Department they automatically prohibit shellfish in the area of docks and marinas because some boat may dump sewage or release oil into the water and contaminate the fish. She felt if the County is spending money to get the prohibition lifted that is not reasonable.

Mr. Yando stated they have taken steps because there has been some issues regarding the possibility there are still contaminants in a certain area by the Port dock and other sites in the North Bay area.

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Utilities & Waste is investigating, because when they put the sewer in they found an extensive amount of areas, which were not acceptable to today's standards. They are in the process of fixing them.

Steve Kutz, Public Health Services Director, concurred that when there is a dock and a marina there is a prohibited zone around the area, which is standard. The County is working on areas of both sides of the prohibited area trying to get the water quality within standards.

Cmmr. Johnson referred to the 220 connections on North Shore asked if it included a 20-year projection.

Harry Sellers, Gray & Osborne, responded it is not included in a 20-year projection. Commented that it is a ticklish area. He understood that they could provide service to solve a problem, but not provide service to facilitate growth.

The reason they are planning to serve the Belfair State Park area is because it was declared by State Health as a severe public health hazard. There are not very many lots remaining to be developed.

Cmmr. Johnson stated this has been a very extensive study program and the most intensive study he has been involved in since he has become commissioner. There have been three public hearings (Allyn, Belfair, Commission Chambers) and the majority of the testimony was favorable to the motion. He felt it is a wise move on the part of the County to move in this direction. What they have is a North Mason section of the county that will be served by a combined facility. He felt that by combining the two projects into one project it would result in savings from construction in terms of operation as well. Some of the input received has indicated it is very important to move forward as rapidly as possible. It will save time in combining the two projects as well.

Cmmr. Kamin concurred that this is an important decision for the community. Also, there has been extensive research into this and studied the problem. They have listened to the community and held several public hearings. When they look at the big picture of the County and where they need to go this is in the best interest of the whole county. This will help in developing a system of accomplishing goals of community development and also with the needs of protecting the environment in the most efficient and timely manner.

Cmmr. Baze added thanks to Gray & Osborne and the Director of Utilities & Waste Management and Public Health Services Director for all the work they have done in the process thus far. They hoped this project would be economically feasible, but also a benefit to both communities. The County's fiscal responsibility is to do what they can to benefit both communities.

Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded to authorize the Director of Utilities & Waste Management to include in the Belfair/Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facility Plan Amendment the alternative of connecting Belfair to the existing North Bay/Case Inlet Water Reclamation Facility. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.

11. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials) - None

12. Administration - None

13. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

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MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Herb Baze, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Wesley E. Johnson, Commissioner

Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board

Jayni L. Kamin, Commissioner