

BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

1. Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by Chairperson Herb Baze.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Chairperson Herb Baze led the flag salute.
3. Roll Call – Present: Cmmr. Dist. 1 - Herb Baze; Cmmr. Dist. 2 - Wesley E. Johnson; Cmmr. Dist. 3 - Jayni Kamin.
4. Approval of Minutes – **Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded to approve the briefing minutes of September 15, 2003 and the regular meeting minutes of September 16, 2003. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.**
5. Board’s Calendar for week of September 23 – September 30.
6. Correspondence and Organizational Business
 - 6.1 Correspondence
 - 6.1.1 A letter was received from Chuck & Judy Craig and Pat Withdraw recognizing Doug Ellingson's work in Public Works. (Copy to Public Works)
 - 6.1.2 Washington State Department of Ecology submitted the final Detailed Water Cleanup Implementation Plan for the Union River.
 - 6.2 Announcement that ER&R has issued a purchase order for \$16,050 plus tax, to Protective Environmental Services of Seattle for tank cleaning services. Authorization to post for quotes was given at the September 2, 2003 meeting. Dave Loser, Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund Manager, publicly announced the selection of Protective Environmental Services of Seattle. The last time they cleaned the tanks was 1997.
 - 6.3 Press Release – Free Dump Day Scheduled for October 18th. Gary Yando, Director of Utilities & Waste Management, read aloud the press release for the Free Dump Day on Saturday, October 18; 8:00 am - 4:00 p.m. Also, they will have a North Mason Fall Clean Up from October 19 - 31, 2003 at the Belfair Drop Box Station. They will accept brush leaves, grass clippings, and branches up to 4" in diameter and 6' in length; old lawn furniture and fencing at no charge.
 - 6.4 Chairperson Baze announced that the Mason County Fair received the Department of Agriculture report scoring for the 2003 Mason County Fair. The county received 1,800 points which is the highest rating the fair has received. This is a 3% increase over 2002 and a 5% increase over 2001.
7. Open Forum for Citizen Input - No comments
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 Veterans Assistance Fund applications for Claude (Elder) Harley for housing \$400.00 and Gregory A. Wynn for utilities \$185.90 for a total of \$585.90.
 - 9.2 Approval of Warrants

Claims Clearing Fund	60472-61132	\$1,426,557.75
Salary Clearing Fund	133381-133635	\$197,739.91
 - 9.3 Board of County Commissioners authorization to the Director of Utilities & Waste Management to begin scope of work and costs negotiations with Hammond Collier, Seattle, Washington for the work associated with the Rustlewood Sewer Engineering services.
 - 9.4 Approval of the Cooperative Use Agreement with Fire Protection District No. 3 to utilize the Mason County fueling facility located at the Johns Prairie Central Shop.
The Board noted this is another effort that the County and other agencies are trying to use to consolidate efforts and save money.

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- 9.5 Authorization for the ER&R Manager to request proposals to purchase PBX upgrades and Voice Mail upgrade and/or replacement of the county telephone system. Estimated cost is \$45,000 plus tax.
- 9.6 Approval of Change Order No. 5 to the contract with Foster and Williams Associates and Christensen, Inc. for the Building 8 remodeling project to add 12 additional days to the contract time, changing the substantial completion date to October 17, 2003. There is no change in project cost associated with this change order.
- 9.7 Approval for Public Works to surplus furniture and office equipment as submitted by the department. The equipment is generally disposed of by public auction.
- 9.8 Approval of certification regarding debarment, suspension, ineligibility and voluntary exclusion lower tier covered transactions as required by the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services for the 2004 Mason County Child Support Program.
- 9.9 Cancel the Tuesday, October 14, 2003 Mason County Commission meeting due to scheduling conflicts.
- 9.10 Approval of an interlocal agreement between Mason County and Mason Conservation District regarding work the County performs for the District and other supplemental matters regarding the Conservation Assessment.

Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded and seconded to approve consent agenda items 9.1 through 9.10. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.

10. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time

- 10.1 This hearing is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. on 9/23/03. 10.1 Public hearing to consider approval of a supplemental appropriation to the 2003 Budget for the Current Expense Fund in the amount of \$79,560 and the Mason County Rural Development LTGO Bond '02 fund in the amount of \$247,296. Staff: Ione Siegler (See September 23, 2003 special meeting minutes)

11. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials)

- 11.1 Discussion of the need for interim measures or alternatives to address signs in the county, including billboards, while the planning processes to review certain sign standards proceed.

Bob Fink, Planning Manager, explained that the Board has before them a decision on whether to adopt interim restrictions on signs in the County by amending the Mason County Development Regulations. This issue was raised during the Mason County Hearings Examiner's review of an administrative interpretation of the County Code regarding issuing building permits for some off-premises signs. The interim ordinance is proposed for a period of approximately six months and will allow time for the County to address the complex issues regarding sign regulation in a public process. The suggested hearing date is Tuesday, October 21, 2003 for public comment on the interim regulations.

Mr. Fink explained that the current regulations do not allow any off-premises signs. The regulations allow signs on-premises as an accessory use for some permitted activity. The proposed new regulations remove some of the restrictions, clarify that signs are allowed as accessory uses. They also divide signs as commercial and non-commercial signs. Some types of commercial signs will be prohibited such as roof signs, animated or flashing signs (provided that changing message center signs may be allowed when the image or message remains fixed for at least five seconds); also some signs which may be confused with traffic signs or emergency signs; signs attached to utility poles; and off-

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premises signs and billboards, except for the temporary signs allowed elsewhere in the ordinance (example: garage sale signs; agricultural sale signs, real estate signs)

The Planning Advisory Commission will hold a public hearing before making a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners.

The proposed interim regulations would go into effect immediately for approximately six months.

Cmmr. Johnson/Kamin moved and seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 104-03 amending Mason County Development Regulations Ordinance 82-96, as amended, revising sign regulations, taking effect immediately, remaining in effect until March 19, 2004, and setting a public hearing on this ordinance on October 21, 2003 at 9:30 a.m. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye J-aye K-aye. Ordinance No. 104-03 (Exhibit A)

12. Administration - None

13. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. due to no further business.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Herb Baze, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Wesley E. Johnson, Commissioner

Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board

Jayni L. Kamin, Commissioner