

BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

JANUARY 13, 2004

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Chairperson Wesley E. Johnson.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – The flag salute was led by Chairperson Johnson.
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 – None
5. Board's Calendar for week of January 13 – 20, 2004
6. Correspondence and Organizational Business
 - 6.1 Correspondence
 - 6.1.1 Washington State Department of Health gave notice of a change in classification for the Initial Order reclassifying a portion of the prohibited shellfish area in Hood Canal #9 (near Belfair) to Approved. (Copy to Health Services)

Cmmr. Johnson commented that the opening of the area in Hood Canal along the North Shore encompasses approximately 138 acres, which was previously prohibited.
 - 6.1.2 A letter was received from Star Lake Community Club regarding animal control.
7. Open Forum for Citizen Input
 - 7.1 Ed Leaf expressed concern about State Route 3 sight distance and noted that many years ago there were discussions of a twenty year plan with a divided four-lane from Gorst to the north end of Shelton. The plans included interchanges at the Bremerton Airport, North end of Belfair, South end of Belfair, and midway between the South end of Belfair and Shelton. The funds for this proposed project did not become available. However, the Highway Department made an exit at Taylor Towne. At that time, it was agreed by the property owners in the area to provide right-of-way to assist people from Lynch Road and Arcadia Road traffic getting onto US Highway 101. He asked that the Board straighten out the first 1.5 miles of Kamilche Point Road and that the Lynch Road connection to the lower road be explored.
 - 7.2 Jeff Carey explained he represented the Allyn Community Association. He asked that the county assist them in putting a schedule together to adopt the interim zoning regulations by the original schedule sometime in March. They also asked what the County is expecting to complete the Allyn Plan for current year and the future. He noted the Allyn Community Association supports the Ports going ahead and soliciting from the County infrastructure .08 funds for development of the water system within Allyn. The water system is for commercial use. He understood that commercial entities couldn't drill their own wells within the state. The Port is the only entity that has water rights to bring water into Allyn.

The Board noted that they recently had discussions with the Port of Allyn and they are going to take the .08 off the Consent Agenda to have more discussions and rework a comprehensive overall Allyn plan to benefit the whole downtown area of Allyn.
8. Adoption of Agenda - **Cmmr. Kamin/Baze moved and seconded to adopt the agenda with deletion of Items 9.2, 9.5, and 9.1 delete the Port of Allyn Water System in the amount of \$75,000. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.**
9. Approval of Consent Agenda:

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- 9.1 Approval of funding from the Mason County Distressed Area Capital (.08) Fund for Foundry Road Paving \$30,145; (Port of Allyn Water System, \$75,000 - Deleted); Rustlewood Treatment Plant Upgrade, \$100,000 loan; and Economic Development Planning (EDC), \$12,500.
- 9.2 Deleted
- 9.3 Authorization for the Board to sign the Mason County Comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan cover sheet.
- 9.4 Approval to sign the contract amendment to the Professional Services Contract between Mason County and Yakima County for use of the Yakima County Jail stating the 2004 Daily Rates. The daily rate, for up to 5 inmates, is \$59.23.
- 9.5 Deleted
- 9.6 No objection to assumption of liquor license from Fox Island Taverns, Inc. dba Lennard K's Restaurant & Lounge; Tradename: Lennard K's Rest. & Lounge; 18340 Hwy 3 E; Allyn, WA; Applicants: Lennard K's Inc. Lennard K. Manke; Privileges Applied For: Spirits/Beer/Wine Restaurant Lounge.
- 9.7 Approval of cooperation agreements with the Southern Puget Sound Inter-Tribal Housing Authority to establish property tax exemption for low income housing at 2029 and 2039 Lake Boulevard, Shelton, WA.
- 9.8 Approval of reimbursable agreement for Mason County Road Department to provide fabricated signs and materials to the Washington State Department of Natural Resources.
- 9.9 Approval for Public Works to purchase an asphalt saw at an estimated cost of \$3,500 to \$5,000.

Cmmr. Baze/Kamin moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.

RECESS

The Board recessed at 9:24 a.m. for six minutes until the 9:30 a.m. hearing at which time the full board came back into regular session.

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

- 10.1 Public hearing to consider approval of the Belfair/Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facility Amendments. The amendments include connection of Belfair sewer collection system to the existing North Bay/Case Inlet Water Reclamation Facility and the extension of the Belfair sewer collection system to serve Belfair State Park and vicinity.

Gary Yando, Utilities & Waste Management Director, gave a brief background from the early 1990's to the current hearing to secure final approval for the Belfair/Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facility Plan amendments which include the extension of the Belfair sewer collection system to serve the Belfair State Park and vicinity and the connection of Belfair to the existing North Bay/Case Inlet Water Reclamation Facility. He explained that extending the sewer line down to the Belfair State Park and vicinity is not being installed to promote growth, but to take care of a severe public health hazard declared by State Health.

Harry Sellers, Gray & Osborne Engineers, stated he has been working with Mason County on the amended plan for the Belfair/Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facilities. He added this project will need substantial grant funding.

Two key elements of the amendment is to serve Belfair State Park and re-examination of where facilities will be sited.

Mr. Yando clarified that they have gone through the state environmental protection process through the Mason County Planning Department and they issued a determination of

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nonsignificance effective December 30, 2003. There was a 14-day review period. They have only received one comment from the State Department of Ecology.

Cmmr. Kamin questioned in extending the lines to Belfair State Park if there is no further hook-ups allowed besides the park.

Mr. Yando noted the intent of the severe public health hazard was from the road waterside and to include the Belfair State Park and vicinity. It did not include Beard's Cove or Lynch Cove. Just what was on the waterside down to the Belfair State Park.

Cmmr. Johnson asked if the line is extended to that area, what hook-ups will be permitted or available.

Mr. Yando responded, the hookups would be available to those that have residences on the waterside at this time.

Jeff Carey, President of Allyn Community Association, stated the community's position is still the same. They appreciate the county taking a more regional view of sewer issues in and around Belfair and Hood Canal. He questioned if the rating of Hood Canal by the state park is the same rating that they have a problem with in North Bay.

The Board responded, yes.

Mr. Carey also asked in figuring out the cost justification if the County has looked at partnering with the Port of Bremerton. If there has been a feasibility study.

Mr. Yando stated the County did perform a feasibility study. This project was started back in 1994.

Cmmr. Johnson also added the County addressed the capacity of the system by the engineering firm in the studies and projected 20 years into the future for Allyn, Belfair and along the line going to Belfair State Park.

Harry Sellers stated, yes, the plan was modified and reflected to project 20 years out. They did consider partnering with Kitsap County. There would have been a different connection.

Walt Allison questioned if there is not going to be a ULID from Belfair down to the State Park will there be footage charged to people on the line. He has a half-mile of road frontage. He asked if he would be assessed a fee for the sewer line going across his property.

Mr. Yando replied that he would be assessed a connection fee and not a linear foot fee, similar to Allyn. If it is not a buildable lot they will not be charged a connection fee.

Mr. Allison also asked about the hookups on the waterside of the road.

Mr. Yando answered that is correct the hookups are on the waterside (south side) of the road.

If they include the Belfair State Park or Lynch Cove area there would need to be a test to see if there is a severe public health hazard.

Ken VanBuskirk asked if the public health hazard has been lifted or modified. He read in the newspaper some of the beaches are being opened by Belfair State Park for shellfish harvest.

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The Board responded the beach has been opened for shellfish harvesting west of Belfair State Park.

The Board noted that Allyn UGA was why they did the sewer. The reason they went to Victor was because it was declared a hazard.

Mr. VanBuskirk stated he supports a sewer but there are a lot of people that don't know how much it will cost them. He feels to tie the sewer and Highway 3 improvements together is a mistake. There is a large portion of the north end community that would like to see the bypass built before the sewer is put in.

The Board closed the public hearing due to no further comments.

Cmmr. Baze/Kamin moved and seconded to give final approval to the Belfair Lower Hood Canal Water Reclamation Facility Amendments which include connection of Belfair to the existing North Bay/Case Inlet Water Reclamation Facility and the extension of the Belfair sewer collection system to serve Belfair State Park and vicinity. Motion carried unanimously. B-aye; J-aye; K-aye.

Mr. Yando thanked the Board for moving forward on this program. He felt it will be successful and contribute to the prosperity and growth in Belfair.

The Board expressed appreciation to Mr. Yando for the work done to bring this program to this point and time.

11. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials)

12. Administration - None

13. Adjournment - The meeting adjourned at 10:01 a.m. due to no further business.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Wesley E. Johnson, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Jayni L. Kamin, Commissioner

Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board

Herb Baze, Commissioner