

BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

FEBRUARY 22, 2005

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – The chairperson led the flag salute.
3. Roll Call - Present: Cmmr. Dist. 1 – Lynda Ring Erickson; Cmmr. Dist. 2 – Tim Sheldon; Cmmr. Dist. 3 – Jayni L. Kamin.
4. Approval of Minutes – special meeting minutes of December 21, 2004 and regular meeting minutes of December 28, 2004 for past board's signature. Held until next week.
5. Correspondence and Organizational Business
 - 5.1 Correspondence
 - 5.1.1 Solid Waste Advisory Committee Applicants: Rick Fredrickson, Don Melnick, Wendy Ervin, Janet O'Connor, Jan Ward, Jeff Heinis.
 - 5.1.2 Jay Hupp suggested the County create a more business friendly environment with a Business Development Ombudsman position.
 - 5.1.3 Rich Geiger submitted a correction to an item he presented to the Board in January regarding restoration efforts in the Skokomish Watershed.
 - 5.1.4 Comcast has given notice of upcoming changes to their channel line-up on or shortly after March 15, 2005.
 - 5.1.5 Department of Ecology/Water Quality Program has expressed support of the petition to grant a variance to the building moratorium in the Skokomish Valley, as requested by Mason Conservation District and the landowner.
 - 5.1.6 Department of Health has announced the Final Order reclassifying the commercial shellfish growing area in North Bay to Approved, effective February 15, 2005.
 - 5.1.7 Dennis Rohn wrote concerning property taxes at Lake Cushman.
 - 5.1.8 Mason County Water Conservancy Board Applicant: George Campbell
 - 5.2 Mason County Rodeo Queen – Kiersten Hanzik, 2005 Mason County Rodeo Queen, invited the Board to the 2005 Rodeo Shindig on March 5, 2005; 6:00 pm at the Fairgrounds/Building 17. There will be a taco feed and live and silent auction. She will be representing Mason County at all the NPR rodeos around the Northwest.
 - 5.3 Proclamation – Rotary International Day -- Cmmr. Ring Erickson read aloud the proclamation designating Wednesday, February 23, 2005 as Rotary International Day in Mason County in recognition of the 100 year anniversary. The Board was provided a Rotary flag and was asked to fly it on Wednesday.
 - 5.4 News Release – Rural Health Works Grant -- Steve Kutz, Public Health Services Director, read aloud the news release concerning the National Association of Counties "Rural Health Works" Technical Assistance grant received. The purpose of the grant is to understand the economic impact of the local health care sector on the larger Mason County economy.

The Board commented that they met with the Hospital Board and discussed the fact that 44% of the workforce leaves Mason County to work in another place and are probably using their health care dollars somewhere else. They look forward to using the information in the economic component to the comp plan and possibly a health component to the comp plan.

It will provide an opportunity to carry the "shop local" philosophy a step further and carrying it into the health care industry which is a huge part of our economy.

It will also cause the health care providers to take notice of their impact and employers, but also employees are making health care decisions.

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5.5 Announcement of post for quotes award for Ioline 40" Sign Cutter. Dave Loser, Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund Director, announced that Public Works has chosen to purchase a sign cutter from Denco Sales of Seattle, WA in the amount of \$4,083.75. This was one of four quotes received ranging from \$4,649.00 plus shipping to the \$4,083.75.

6. Open Forum for Citizen Input

6.1 Ken VanBuskirk – Extended an invitation to the Board to attend the Belfair Area Round Table Community Forum scheduled for March 5, 2005; 10 am – 12 noon at the Theler Center. This is a community-based effort with no outside consultants. They have a community survey to be tabulated.

6.2 Randy Neatherlin, Vice-President of North Mason Pee Wees, thanked the County for all the efforts. As Co-Chair of the North Mason School District Athletic Committee they have been contacted with the possibility of shared usage of fields. There is a gate between the elementary school and Sandhill Park that keeps people from parking there. Originally, it was school district property. Lastly, he is a member of the Theler Center Board and requested the County provide financial support to their organization. They are currently working off a trust and it was determined they got paid too much and now the money has to be returned.

Cmmr. Kamin noted the County does support the Theler Center through a grant from the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee to help promote tourism and pay for staff time.

Mr. Neatherlin explained they are looking for money for parks or the general fund.

The Board asked if the Theler Center Board could write a letter to the County explaining their situation and identify what the uses of the funds would be.

6.3 Tom Young, Port of Hoodspport Commissioner, introduced himself as a new member to that entity. It is the only local government entity in Hoodspport. They are looking forward to working in a closer relationship with the County in accomplishing goals that both work for the local community and County.

7 Adoption of Agenda – **Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Sheldon moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. K-aye; RE-aye; S-aye.**

8 Approval of Consent Agenda:

8.1 Approval of the resolution designating the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the basis for all incident management in Mason County. **Resolution No. 13-05 (Exhibit A)**

8.2 Approval of Veterans Assistance Fund applications for: Timothy R. Thomas – utilities \$300.00 & housing \$300.00; Robert J. (Mrs. Edith) Obiedzinski – utilities \$568.18 & food \$31.82; and James C. Mustain – housing \$600.00 for a total of \$1,800.00.

8.3 Concurrence of the appointment of Jo-Ann Andrews to the Timberland Regional Library Board representing Grays Harbor County.

8.4 No objection to the new application for liquor license: Applicant: Jay L & Marilyn G. Johnston, Tradename: Allyn Inn Café & Bar, Location: 18341 E State Route 3, Allyn, WA 98524, Privileges Applied For: Spirits/Beer/Wine Rest. Lounge.

8.5 Approval of Warrants

Claims Clearing Fund	845354-85637	\$1,129,942.83
Salary Clearing Fund	146129-146379	\$ 205,669.00

8.6 Approval of appointment of Jeromy Hicks to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council representing Commissioner District No. 2.

8.7 Approval to set a public hearing on Tuesday, March 15, 2005 at 9:30 a.m. to consider revisions to the Annual Construction Program and the 2005-2010 Six Year Transportation Improvement Program.

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Cmmr. Sheldon/Ring Erickson moved and seconded to approve consent agenda items 8.1 through 8.7 as presented. Motion carried unanimously. K-aye; RE-aye; S-aye.

9 Public Hearings - None

10 Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials)

10.1 Approval of bid award for culvert supplies. Bid opening was February 18, 2005 at 9:00 a.m. Dave Loser, Equipment Rental & Revolving Fund Director, recommended the Board award the bid for culvert supplies to Washington Culvert or Arlington, Washington in the amount of \$83,637.04.

Cmmr. Ring Erickson/Sheldon moved and seconded to accept bids received from Washington Culvert of Arlington, Washington to provide Mason County with culvert supplies. Bid cost \$85,343.92 minus 2% discount offered if all items were purchased. Total cost to Mason County \$83,637.40. Motion carried unanimously. K-aye; RE-aye; S-aye.

11 Administration - None

12. Board's Reports and Calendar – The Board gave a report on meetings they attended since the last Commissioners' meeting on February 15 and their calendars for the upcoming week through March 1, 2005.

13. Adjournment- The meeting adjourned at 6:57 p.m. due to no further business.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Jayni L. Kamin, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Lynda Ring Erickson, Commissioner

Rebecca S. Rogers, Clerk of the Board

Tim Sheldon, Commissioner