

BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS
Theler Center, Belfair, WA
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2005
6:00 PM

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. Commissioner Kamin introduced Sheriff Steve Whybark. The Sheriff updated the community on the recent north end burglaries and homicide and thanked the current Commission for their support of law enforcement. The Sheriff announced the Board has agreed to authorize an additional Sergeants position, one additional deputy (effective July 2006), and a second animal control officer for 2006.
4. Emmett Dobey, DCD Director, gave a brief update on the adoption of the comprehensive plan and discussed some of the new sections that have been included in this year's plan. Emmett thanked the north end communities for their participation in the comprehensive plan update process.
5. Commissioner Ring Erickson discussed, at some length, the county budget process and distributed a draft 2006 budget for the community to review and also provided a summary of inclusions in the preliminary 2006 budget.
6. Commissioner Sheldon announced residents living in the Belfair community would soon be receiving in the mail an income survey for the upcoming Belfair sewer project. Commissioner Sheldon explained that it was important for residents to complete the survey so the county could apply for grants to help pay for the sewer project. Commissioner Sheldon announced that a formal performance appraisal system had been established and recent appraisals completed for all County Directors for the first time.
7. The Board announced in 2006 there will be three months (Jan, May, Oct) with a 5th Tuesday and their plan to continue the north end update meetings.
8. Ken Van Buskirk asked the Board about the vacant caretakers trailer located at Sand Hill Park. Ken suggested the county should do background checks on all future new hires.
9. John Phillips expressed some concern that the proposed NASCAR track is located in the well head protection area for the Belfair Water System and could cause negative impacts.
10. Don Atkinson requested a meeting with the Commissioners to update them on the Salmon Center. Commissioner Kamin suggested he contact the county offices and schedule a time to brief the Board.
11. Walter Benson expressed his concern about a solid waste site located in the Tahuya River Valley which has been an on-going problem for years and Steve Kutz, Director of Health Services, agreed to research the status and get back to him.
12. Ken Smelzer from the North Mason Eagles asked about the timeline for the Belfair sewer to be built. Commissioner Sheldon briefly discussed the project to date.
13. Margie Benson asked the county for help in establishing a secondary exit for the Tahuya River Valley community in the event of an emergency.
14. Adjournment – The regular Commissioner update meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

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