

## MINUTES

### GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

~~MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2009:~~

- 8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. Elected Official Roundtable Discussion
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. J Strickler, ASC Update/Misc. BOCC Action
1. Vouchers for indigent defense, insurance, and/or grant administration.
  2. Review/decision on Port of Ephrata's written request for BOCC to re-consider approval of SIP No. 2008-7 for a grant in the amount of \$150,000.00 and a loan in the amount of \$50,000.00 for the Port's Transportation/Infrastructure Enhancement Phase II project.
  3. Review/decision on City of George's written request for BOCC to extend approved SIP #2008-03 for the City's Water System Improvements from deadline of April 15, 2009 to June 15, 2009. *ASC is recommending an August 31, 2009 deadline as a precaution against minor, unforeseen delays.*
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. BOCC Office Safety Meeting
- 10:20 a.m. – 10:50 a.m. Commissioners Work Session
1. Request from Facilities and Maintenance for Desert Green Turf to install additional grass in and around the new bathrooms at the Fairgrounds, in the amount of \$7,219.05. These funds will come from the Fairgrounds Construction Bond.
  2. Resolution establishing salary levels for certain Grant County Elected Officials.
  3. Budget Extension request from the Sheriff's Office in the amount of \$3,708.00 from the INET suspense account to their Small Tools Account. This is to purchase a new Motorola XTL 2500 radio for their INET vehicle.
  4. Sick leave donation request for an employee in the Sheriff's Office (ID# 09-02).
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. H Beagley, Columbia Basin Herald Legal Paper of Record Discussion  
**CANCELLED**
- 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Elected Official and Department Head Luncheon
- 1:20 p.m. – 1:50 p.m. J Lane, PARC Update
- 2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. Small Works and Vendor Roster Meeting
- 3:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. T Hechler, Human Resources Update
- 4:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. F Floyd, Executive Session Conference Call re: Best Litigation/Public Defense

The Grant County Commissioners session was called to order at 9:00 a.m. with all the Commissioners in attendance with the Clerk of the Board.

**J STRICKLER, ASC UPDATE AND MISC. BOCC ACTION**

The Commissioners approved and signed items 1 and 2 as listed above.

The Chair of the Board was authorized to sign the State of Washington Department of Community, Trade and economic Development Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Grantee Close out Performance Report for Public Services Grants. The sub recipient is the North Columbia Community Action Council (NCCAC).

**COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION**

The Commissioners approved and signed items 1 through 4 as listed above.

Item 2 was assigned **Resolution No. 09-030-CC**.

Item 3, a public hearing was set for April 28, 2009 at 10:00 am.

**F FLOYD, EXECUTIVE SESSION CONFERENCE CALL RE: BEST LITIGATION/PUBLIC DEFENSE**

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) Commissioner Carter called the session to order at 4:05 p.m. to go until 4:25 p.m. Commissioner Carter then reopened the session at 4:30 p.m. to go until 4:35 p.m. Commissioner Carter closed the session at 4:35 p.m.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

The Chair of the Board was authorized to sign West order form to allow 3 terminal subscribers to Westlaw Pro for the Grant County Law Library.

The Commissioner approved and signed the December 15, 22, and 29, 2008 Minutes.

As of this date the Board by a majority vote does approve for payment those vouchers as presented by the Grant County Health District: Payroll Vouchers No. 1 – 4, and General Fund Vouchers No. 5 – 57, in the amount of \$147,340.27; as recorded on a listing and made available to the Board.

The Commissioners approved and signed a request for transfer from PARC in the amount of \$9,200.00 from Professional Services Medical and Professional Services to Capital Equipment to purchase a photocopier.

As there was no further business to come before the Board the session was continued until April 7, 2009.

**TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2009:**

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| 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.   | Open Record Public Hearing, Dept of Community Development Fee Increase Proposal (continued from 3/30/09) |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:20 a.m. | A Lee, Prosecuting Attorney's Office Update <b><u>RESCHEDULED TO 4:00 P.M.</u></b>                       |
| 10:30 p.m. – 10:50 a.m. | L Stoltman, Conservation District Update   |
| 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.  | C Carter at Law Library Board of Trustees Meeting (Law Library)  |

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1:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	D Pohle, PW Update
	1. Authorization to call for bids- Bouldercrest Rd 2. Authorization to call for bids- Rd M-NE
1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.	Bid Opening, Rd D-SE
2:45 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	J Poling, PILT Discussion
3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.	Consent Agenda
4:00 p.m. – 4:20 p.m.	A Lee, Prosecuting Attorney's Office Update
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	C Carter at New Hope Community Planning Meeting (Othello Community Hospital, bottom floor)

The session was continued at 9:00 am with all the Commissioners in attendance with the Clerk of the Board.

**OPEN RECORD PUBLIC HEARING, DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FEE INCREASE PROPOSAL (CONTINUED FROM 3/30/09)**

The Commissioners held an Open Record Public Hearing regarding a proposal from the Department of Community Development to increase fees.

Dave Nelson –cost breakdown estimate was given to the Commissioners.

New schedule 25% increase residential

15% increase commercial

Edie Streicher, Government Affairs Director of Spokane Homebuilders Association stated that if this increase was approved it would be the highest in the region.

Colt Smith, Western Pacific Development & Grant County Homebuilders referred to cost breakdown that he gave to the Commissioners. Mr. Smith referred to his development that he is developing now and the revenue that the County is getting now and what the County would receive with a fee increase. He wants to promote development.

Ben Justice, JRCC – insurance work, remodel. Jobs have to get done asap. People need to get back in their homes. Why increasing fees when the service is not increasing. Still have to wait for permits. He just does demolishing and he gets caught up in the Building Dept. waits to give permits, because of inspection requirements and engineer inspections.

This much of an increase would put him out of business, because he cannot charge that much to customers. He has to go with a price that all insurance companies have agreed to.

Bruce Preston – Bruce Preston Homes and Homebuilders Assoc. stated that he thinks it is irrelevant what neighboring counties are charging for their fees. Fees should not be raised and should be on a cost basis or cost approach. Thinks this will shut down growth in the county. Costs of blueprints have been raised. Permits still take a long time to get. Mr. Preston thinks that outsourcing this service would be more cost effective.

Gene Davis – Finish Work, LLC in Moses Lake and Homebuilders Assoc. stated that he builds custom homes for upper end market. This increase will not cost him. If there is a fee increase will there be an increase in service? How does he justify this cost to his customers?

Commissioner Richard Stevens moved to close the public comment portion of this hearing.

Commissioner Swartz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Stevens moved to take under advisement all the information we have received to date and today to make an informed decision on this within the next two weeks. Commissioner Swartz seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The hearing adjourned.

**D POHLE, PUBLIC WORKS UPDATE**

The Commissioners approved and signed items 1 and 2 as listed above. Item 1 was set for April 28, 2009 at 1:45 pm and Item 2 was set for 2:00 p.m.

The Commissioners approved and signed **Resolution No. 09-031-CC** notice of hearing in the matter of modifying certain sections of Chapter 11.04 of the Grant County Code entitled "Maximum Speed Limits". The hearing was set for April 28, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

**BID OPENING, RD D- SE PROJECT**

The following bids were received:

	Base Bid	Alternate A1	Alternate A2
1. Copenhaver Const	\$1,224,416.34	\$1,625,916.34	\$1,552,416.34
2. HLT Const	\$1,173,867.15	N/A	\$1,512,117.15
3. Selland Const	\$1,188,926.45	\$1,552,101.45	\$1,496,426.45
4. N. Central Const	\$1,511,016.93	\$1,874,191.93	\$1,818,516.93
5. Tommer Const	\$1,167,096.00	\$1,495,596.00	\$1,454,096.00
6. N.A. Degerstrom	\$1,278,850.32	\$1,656,625.32	\$1,604,800.32
7. MRM Const	\$1,382,971.28	\$1,764,396.28	\$1,710,971.28
8. Granite NW	\$1,599,018.28	\$1,983,728.28	\$1,922,918.28

A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens to turn over the bids to Public Works for their review and recommendation. Commissioner Swartz seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Commissioner Stevens moved to approve the Consent Agenda, Commissioner Swartz seconded and the motion passed unanimously, as presented below:

**COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE:**

Commissioners Office Vouchers

**Resolution No. 09-032-CC** establishing Grant County as a 2010 Census Partner.

Special Occasion license application for Big Bend Community College Foundation, 7662 Chanute St NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837; and Corrected New Application for Neppel Cellars, 1751 Rd E NE, Moses Lake, WA 98837, from the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

Proclamations recognizing Grant County area athletic achievements:

- Almira, Coulee, Hartline High School Boys Basketball State 1B- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Title
- Almira, Coulee, Hartline High School Girls Basketball State 1B – 5<sup>th</sup> Place Title
- Warden High School Wrestling State 1A -2<sup>nd</sup> Place Title
- Moses Lake High School Girls Basketball State 4A -6<sup>th</sup> Place Title
- Moses Lake High School Wrestling Team State 4A-6<sup>th</sup> Place Title
- Moses Lake Christian Academy Boys Basketball 1B – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Title
- Quincy High School Boys Basketball 1A – 8<sup>th</sup> Place Title

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

Personnel Action Request for the salary, wage, and/or position changes for Kris Davis and Michele Kohout, and Susan Wolf, Grant Mental Healthcare.

Personnel Action Request Recommendation to re-band the Grant Mental Healthcare Human Resources assistant from band 8 to a band 9, effective April 1, 2009.

As there was no further business to come before the Board the session was continued until April 9, 2009.

**WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2009:**

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. C Swartz, Disability Board Meeting  
11:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. HEARINGS EXAMINER  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Commissioners at Health Board Meeting (Public Works)

**THURSDAY, APRIL 9, 2009:**

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. C Swartz at Central Safety Committee Meeting (Multi-Purpose Rm)  
9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARINGS  
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. C Carter at MACC Meeting (Moses Lake Armory Bldg) **CANCELLED**  
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. R Stevens @ Rail Authority Meeting (Davenport) **CANCELLED**  
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. C Carter at LEPC Meeting (Moses Lake PUD Office 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave.)  
**CANCELLED**  
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. C Carter and C Swartz at Job Corp Community Relations Council Luncheon (Job Corp Bonnie Eager Conference Room)  
1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m. B Adler, Port of Mattawa Commissioners discussion on SIP  
2:30 p.m. – 3:20 p.m. L Grammer, Executive Session Meeting regarding the Revenue Sharing Agreement Preliminary Hearing

The session was continued at 9:00 am with all the Commissioners in attendance with the Clerk of the Board.

**D REYNOLDS, EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING RE: CITY OF MOSES LAKE VS. GRANT COUNTY – REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENT**

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) Commissioner Carter called the session to order at 2:31 p.m. to go until 3:01 p.m. Commissioner Carter then continued the session until 3:30 p.m, then again continued the session until 3:41 p.m. The session was closed by Commissioner Carter at 3:41 p.m.

**MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS**

As of this date, the Board, by a majority vote, does approve for payment those vouchers certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified by the auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.090, in the amount of \$577,475.86, as recorded on a listing and made available to the Board.

The Commissioners signed the Public Works Claims Fund Voucher Approval No. 04-1 through No. 04-18 in the total amount of \$1,022,738.63, as recorded on a listing and made available to the Board.

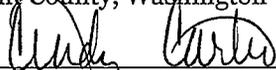
As there was no further business to come before the Board the session was continued until April 13, 2009.

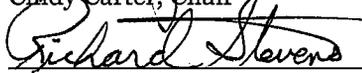
**FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2009:**

- 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.                      **BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARINGS CANCELLED**
- 12:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.                      C Swartz at Big Bend Resource Conservation and Development Council Meeting

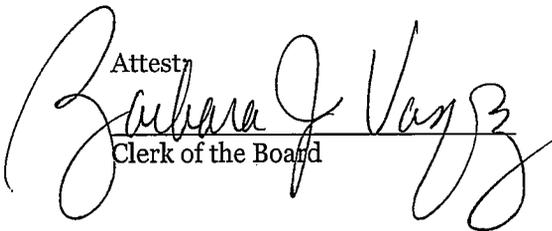
Signed this 15<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2009.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
Grant County, Washington

  
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Cindy Carter, Chair

  
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Richard Stevens

  
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