

MINUTES

GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2012:

The Grant County Commissioners session began at 8:30 a.m. with all Commissioners in attendance.

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Elected Official Roundtable Meeting

9:00 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. J Strickler, ASC Update and MISC BOCC Action

A motion was made by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Swartz, to approve items 1 through 3 on the ASC Agenda as presented below. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Possible vouchers for Interfund Communications, insurance, and/or grant administration. **(Approved)**
2. Contract renewal for Grant County Law Library subscription to Westlaw, Account #1003120129. Term is for 24 months. **(Approved)**
3. Professional Services Agreement for Legal Representation of Indigent Individuals in Grant County Superior Court (Adult Felony Only) Overflow and Conflict Contractors between Grant County and Alan White. Term is April 4, 2012 through December 31, 2012. **(Approved)**

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Commissioners Office Safety Meeting **(Cancelled)**

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Citizen Public Comment Period

Ed Stubington, Moses Lake, came to discuss the possible request from the Mayor of the City of Quincy for an increase in sales tax of 0.3%. Has the Mayor thought of the residential increase for revenue other than increase taxes?

Mayor Jim Hemberry, Quincy, came to urge the Commissioners to put a measure on the November ballot of 0.3% for Law Enforcement, not just for the City of Quincy but the entire County. He would like to see a full time gang investigator. The Quincy City Council is behind the tax increase and would sign an Interlocal Agreement giving all 0.3% to the County.

Susan Hendrickson from Quincy speaks today on behalf of area farmers. Stated she and her neighbors have been the victims of property crimes and described how it feels to be victimized by these vandals. She stated she is in favor of the tax increase.

Chuck Allen, Publisher of the Quincy Valley Post Register Newspaper, discussed how crime in the area is a problem. He is in favor of the sales tax increase to fund Law Enforcement. Urges the County Commissioners to develop a plan and requests this sales tax to be placed on the November ballot.

Jack Park, Ephrata, commended the Ephrata Police Department. Says the County Prosecutors and Judges are too "soft". He reads in the newspaper that criminals are not being sentenced when they should be. Judges are not enforcing the law properly and there needs to be stronger punishment for criminals.

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Jesse Rose, Quincy, came to discuss governmental transparency and what the people would like to see happen. He says if taxes are increased and citizens still do not see results, they will be upset. He believes the City of Quincy Council should not give all of the tax revenue to the County, but keep some for a community center. He gave Quincy Chief Ackerman paperwork that talks about the "Northwest Gang Investigators Association" and hoped that Quincy police belonged to this organization.

Michele Wurl, Quincy, says this is not a "City" issue but a "County" issue. She stated the workers who work in the new Quincy data centers do not live in our County because of crime issues.

Peter Smith, Quincy, feels the sales tax increase funding should go to Jail, there are not enough beds for all of the offenders.

Jim Hoersch, Quincy, discussed his recent dealings with the Prosecuting Attorney's Office. Charges were dropped against a person who destroyed his property and was never notified. He feels the Commissioners should put the measure on the November ballot.

Commissioner Stevens thanked everyone who attended and stated the Commissioners are looking towards the Cities for assistance. Mayor Hemberry stated he would personally go to each city within Grant County and attend their Council meetings to gain support. The meeting adjourned.

11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	Commissioners at Road Supervisor Meeting (Public Works)
1:30 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	L Grammer, Assessor's Office Update (Cancelled)
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	T Hechler, Human Resources Update
3:00 p.m. – 3:20 p.m.	J Whitener-Moberg, District Court / Technology Services MOU Discussion
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	C Swartz at Grant County PUD Redistricting Meeting (Moses Lake PUD Office)
7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	R Stevens at Quincy Valley Leadership Meeting (Quincy Fire Department)

TUESDAY, APRIL 10, 2012:

The session was continued at 10:30 a.m. with all the Commissioners in attendance.

10:30 a.m. – 10:50 a.m.	R Schneider, Emergency Management Update
11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m.	R DeChenne, Facilities and Maintenance Update
1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	D Pohle, Public Works Update

1. Contract Execution between Grant County and Tommer Construction, Inc. of Ephrata, WA for the Rd R-NE and Rd31-NE Reconstruction Project in the amount of \$799,333.00. (**Approved**)
2. Authorization to Call for Bids for the Rd L-NE Overlay (CRP No. 12-02). The bid opening date was set for May 1, 2012 at 1:30 pm. (**Approved**)

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3. Award Recommendation Letter for Central Machinery Sales, Inc. of Moses Lake, WA to furnish and deliver (1) 2012 Case 821F 4.25 cy Wheel Loader in the amount of \$204,454.32 including sales tax. Also includes accepting trade-in offer from Fairgrounds. **(Approved)**

2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.

D Lee, Prosecuting Attorney's Office Update

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i) Commissioner Stevens called an Executive Session to order at 2:45 p.m. to go until 2:50 p.m. regarding potential litigation and an REC Litigation Update. The session was then continued to 2:53 p.m., and then continued again until 2:56 p.m. Commissioner Stevens closed the session at 2:56 p.m.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Consent Agenda (Items 1 through 9)

COMMISSIONERS OFFICE

1. Commissioners Office and Public Defense Vouchers **(Approved)**
2. Commissioners March 26, 2012 for approval. **(Approved)**
3. Appointment of Elisabeth Lauver to the Health Insurance Committee. **(Approved)**
4. Special occasion license application for Quincy Valley Tourism, 119 F St. SE, Quincy, WA 98848, from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. **(Approved)**

AUDITOR'S OFFICE

5. Budget extension in the amount of \$66,490.00 to proceed with updating and converting to new software support vendors, A Systems Integrator Inc. and Integrity Data, for their GP Software. **(Approved, public hearing has been set for May 1, 2012 at 3:30 p.m.)**
6. Request for County credit card to purchase supplies, travel, and miscellaneous items for their office. **(Approved)**

GRANT INTEGRATED SERVICES

7. Request permission to move forward in a formal effort to expand services in Mattawa by leasing land and obtain plans for a modular building. **(Approved)**
8. Proclamation proclaiming April, 2012 as Sexual Assault Awareness Month. **(Approved)**

HUMAN RESOURCES

9. Personnel Action Request Recommendation regarding a request from the Clerk's Office for an exception to the hiring freeze to hire a Temporary/Seasonal Part-Time File Clerk. The Director recommends approval. **(Approved)**

3:30 p.m. – 3:50 p.m.

C Gagnon, Department of Commerce 2014 Public Works Trust Fund Discussion Conference Call

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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 amounts of \$609,281.96, \$64,677.44, \$371,272.30, and \$151,189.18, as recorded on a listing and made available to the Board.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2012:

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. C Carter, Disability Board Meeting
10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. R Stevens at WRCIP State Exit Conference (Canfield, Ephrata)
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Commissioners at Health Board Meeting (Public Works)

THURSDAY, APRIL 12, 2012:

8:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Central Safety Committee Meeting (Multi-Purpose Room)
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. C Swartz at MACC Meeting (Armory Building, Moses Lake)
10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARINGS
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. C Swartz at LEPC Meeting (PUD Building, Moses Lake)
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. R Stevens at Deputy Union Negotiation Meeting (Annex Meeting Room)
(Commissioner Stevens out sick)

FRIDAY, APRIL 13, 2012:

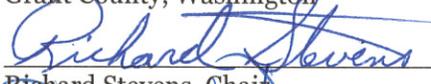
9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. BOARD OF EQUALIZATION HEARINGS
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. C Carter at continued RSN Governing Board Meeting (Grant Integrated Services Telehealth Conference Call)
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. C Swartz at BB RC&D Meeting (Ritzville)

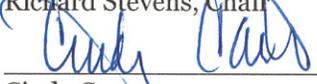
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Signed this 23rd day of April, 2012.

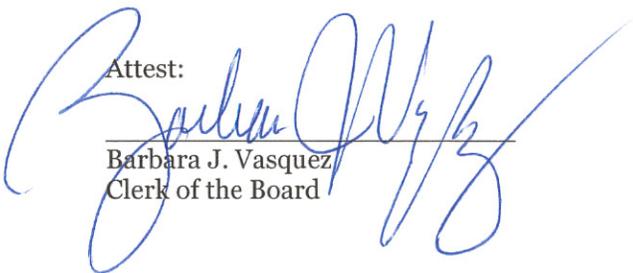
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Attest:


Barbara J. Vasquez
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