

## MINUTES

### GRANT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

#### MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2013:

The Grant County Commissioners session began at 8:30 a.m. with Commissioners Carter and Swartz in attendance. Commissioner Stevens was at a Best Settlement Meeting in Seattle and excused.

8:30 a.m. – 8:50 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 Swartz, seconded by Commissioner Carter, to approve items 1, and 4 through 11 on the ASC Agenda as presented. Items 2 and 3 were not ready for signature. The motion passed unanimously.

1. Possible vouchers for Interfund Communications, insurance, and/or grant administration. **(Approved)**
2. **Anticipating:** Agreement Regarding Juvenile Court Administration between Grant County Superior Court and the Board of County Commissioners. Term is January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2016. **(Did not arrive for signature)**
3. **Anticipating:** Memorandum of Understanding between Grant County and REC Silicon, Inc. to improve the current public warning system by taking advantage of current technology and initiating the timely purchase and transition to a newer system with REC-donated software and materials which will provide for mass notification and public warning. **(Did not arrive for signature)**
4. Industrial Cooling Equipment Maintenance Agreement between Grant County and Sno Valley Process Solutions of Spokane, Washington, for Grant County Facilities, Mental Health Building. The term is February 1, 2013 through January 31, 2016. **(Approved)**
5. 2013 Contract Amendment (Grant County – Solid Waste Employees) between Grant County and International Union of Operating Engineers, Local No. 280. The amendment modifies language in the following areas: Article/paragraphs 12.2 and 14.5. **(Approved)**
6. Industrial Cooling Equipment Maintenance Agreement between Grant County and Sno Valley Process Solutions of Spokane, Washington, for Grant County Facilities, Courthouse. The term is March 1, 2013 through February 28, 2016. **(Approved)**
7. Industrial Cooling Equipment Maintenance Agreement between Grant County and Sno Valley Process Solutions of Spokane, Washington, for Grant County Facilities, Jail Building. The term is February 1, 2013 through January 31, 2016. **(Approved)**
8. BOCC action on Strategic Infrastructure Program (SIP) Advisory Committee recommendation regarding SIP #2012-11, the City of Warden's request for a \$400,000 grant for Phase 2 of its Water System Improvement. This is an "out of cycle" request based on an emergency need to decommission the City's backup well and still meet the needs of food processors and residents in the summer of 2013. **(Approved)**
9. Grant County Payment Request #6 to Washington State Department of Commerce on Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) No. 13-46107-008, administered through the Grant County Housing Authority, in the amount of \$7,642.20. **(Approved)**

10. Grant County's Request for Reimbursement #16 on Washington State Department of Commerce Housing and Essential Needs (HEN) Grant No. 11-46204-511, administered through the Grant County Housing Authority, in the amount of \$15,685.89. **(Approved)**
11. Grant County Payment Request #13 to Washington State Department of Commerce on Consolidated Homeless Grant (CHG) No. 12-46108-10, administered through the Grant County Housing Authority, in the amount of \$8,042.44. **(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

A group of citizens came in to discuss their Current Use / Open Space property Assessment and had questions for Laure Grammer.

Rick Berens – Said some of the issues they have are property owners who own less than 20 acres it's easier to continue with the Current Use Assessment.

Jeff Powell – Why did his current use value went from 640 to 400 but his taxes went up from \$40,000 to \$60,000 in value. He understood that if his current use value goes below 500 then his taxes shouldn't have gone up.

Laure Grammer discussed the Current Use Advisory Committee and the roll that they play in setting the land values.

Jeff Powell and Laure Grammer discussed his situation.

There are 2 basic classifications:

- a. Current Use Open Space Ag- 20 acres or greater, if you can maintain an agricultural use income (commercial type industry, lease or raising crop) you are eligible to maintain in this program. This allows you to pay a tax based on the income the land produces.
- b. Current Use Open Space Ag - less than 20 acres you must prove their income to remain in this classification. Laure showed a form, Notice of Continuance (Farm Ag Plan Form) that she and Pam Hill completed to assist in the program.

3 methods of auditing:

- a. Less than 20 acres by inspection cycle, she notifies the owner to fill out the Farm Ag Plan and show her their income.
- b. Every sale must have a Farm Ag Plan filled out before the document can be recorded.
- c. Any piece of classified ground, when it in inspection cycle, she must see the lands obvious use, and fill out a Farm Ag Plan.

The Assessor's group fought and won for a provision in the law that states is when a citizen purchases property in Current Use and they have never changed the use from what it was used before, it can come out of the program back at market value and there is no compensating tax.

Pam Hill discussed Mr. Powell's situation and discussion ensued.

Rick Berens - asked questions of Laure Grammer and discussion ensued.

Jeff Powell and Laure Grammer discussed the possibility of Conservation Ag. Mr. Powell asked why these rules are now being enforced and weren't in the past? Laure Grammer stated she has been enforcing these rules since she was elected to office. Her predecessors did not.

Ellen Kosa asked about Conservation Ag and if it is a classification of Current Use. Laure Grammer stated yes.

Terri Hunter – stated that it is becoming more apparent that the Current Use system is fair.  
Pam Hill – Public Benefits Rating System this was discussed. This has not yet been implemented in Grant County. The Commissioners thanked everyone for coming in today.

11:00 a.m. – 11:50 a.m.	L Allison, Grant Integrated Services Update
12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m.	Commissioners at PUD Luncheon (PUD Ephrata Office)
1:00 p.m. – 1:20 p.m.	D Nelson, Community Development Update
1:30 p.m. – 1:50 p.m.	L Grammer, Assessor's Office Update
2:00 p.m. – 2:50 p.m.	T Hechler, Human Resources Update
3:15 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Commissioners at Road Supervisor Meeting (Public Works)

### **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 \$511,287.09, \$158,881.06, and \$686,842.57, as recorded on a listing and made available to the Board.

The Chair of the Board was authorized to sign the Health District Voucher listing in the amount of \$20,751.15.

The Chair of the Board was authorized to sign the Harvey R. Heer (Rock Heer Short Plat) File #12-5710-01 Final Plat Submission and Review.

The Commissioners approved and signed the Grant Public Works County Payroll Salary Fund for February 8, 2013.

### **TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2013:**

The session was continued at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioners Carter and Stevens in attendance. Commissioner Swartz was out and excused.

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.	J Potts, Legislative Update Conference Call
1:30 p.m. – 2:20 p.m.	D Pohle, Public Works Update

1. Execution of Contracts: Auto's and Pickups (Equip. Contract #2013-01) to Bud Clary of Moses Lake **(Approved)**
2. Award Recommendation: Misc. Equip. (Equip. Contract #2013-04)
  - Item 1) BearCat Mfg., Inc. of Wickenburg, AZ to furnish deliver (3)250 gal. Asphalt Sealant Melter/Applicators for the price bid of \$38,240.00. **(Approved)**

- Item 2) Central Machinery Sales, Inc. of Moses Lake, WA to furnish and deliver (1) 8,000 lb. Rough Terrain Fork Lift for the bid price of \$69,151.00. **(Approved)**
  - Item 3) Titan Truck Equip. of Spokane, WA to furnish & deliver (1) Service Crane Body for the bid price of \$17,737.00; Cobalt Truck Equip. of Spokane, WA to furnish & deliver (1) Electric Crane for the bid price of \$16,200.00. **(Approved)**
  - Item 4) Central Machinery Sales of Moses Lake, WA to furnish and deliver (1) Small Tilt Trailer for the bid price of \$3,100.00. **(Approved)**
3. Award Recommendation: Motor Grader & Landfill Compactor (Equip. Contract #2013-03)
- Item 1) Central Machinery Sales, Inc. of Moses Lake, WA to furnish and deliver (1) 34,000 lb. Motor Grader with V-Plow and Snow Wing for the bid price of \$216,582.00. **(Approved)**
  - Item 2) Mid- Mountain Machinery of Spokane, WA to furnish and deliver (1) 84,000 lb. Landfill Compactor for the bid price of \$407,862.00. **(Approved)**
4. 6 ½ year Dedicated Service Award for Gary G. Gregory.

2:00 p.m. – 2:10 p.m. Bid Opening, Equipment Contract 2013-05 (Misc Shop Equipment)

Bids were received from Spokane House of Hose and Ephrata Auto Parts (See attached Bid Tabulation)

A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Carter, to turn over the bids to Public Works for their review and recommendation. The motion passed with 2 Commissioners in attendance.

2:15 p.m. – 2:25 p.m. Bid Opening, Herbicide Materials Contract 2013-06

Bids were received from Helena Chemical Co. and Alligare LLC (See attached Bid Tabulation)

A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Carter, to turn over the bids to Public Works for their review and recommendation. The motion passed with 2 Commissioners in attendance.

2:30 p.m. – 2:50 p.m. D Lee, Prosecuting Attorney's Office

Pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) Commissioner Carter called an Executive Session to order at 2:55 p.m. to go until 3:00 p.m. regarding the REC Settlement Agreement. In attendance were Commissioners Stevens, Carter, and Lee Pence, Civil Deputy Attorney. The session was then continued to 3:03 p.m. Commissioner Carter closed the session at 3:03 p.m.

3:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Consent Agenda (Items 1 through 13)

A motion was made by Commissioner Stevens, seconded by Commissioner Carter, to approve items 1 through 13 on the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed with 2 Commissioners in attendance.

#### **COMMISSIONERS OFFICE**

1. Commissioners Office and Public Defense Vouchers **(Approved)**
2. Signature Authorization Form between Grant County, by and between the Multi Agency Communications Center (MACC), and the Washington State Military Department Contract No. E12-130. **(Approved)**

3. Request for vote on 2- Columbia River Policy Advisor Commissioners Group County Representatives. **(The BOCC picked Commissioners Paul Jewell (Kittitas Co) and Ron Walter (Chelan Co).)**
4. Assumption license application for Wenatchee B.F.S., Inc., dba Big Wally's, 9944 Hwy 2 E, Ste A, Coulee City, WA 99115-9629, from the Washington State Liquor Control Board. **(Approved)**
5. Recommendation from the Grant County Mosquito Control Board, District#1, to reappoint Marilyn Meseberg to the Board of Trustees for another 2 year term beginning February 14, 2013 through February 13, 2015. **(Approved)**

#### **JUVENILE COURT AND YOUTH SERVICES**

6. Request to purchase an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) unit in the amount of \$1,735.90 from Oxarc. This item was approved in their Capital Outlay budget. **(Approved)**

#### **GRANT INTEGRATED SERVICES**

7. Out of state travel request for Darla Boothman to attend the American Academy of Professional Coders (AAPC) Conference from April 14-17, 2013 in Orlando, FL. **(Approved)**
8. 2012 budget extension request for Directions in Community Living – Developmental Disabilities in the amount of \$81,000.00 to account for additional expenditures related to increase grant funding that occurred late in 2012. **(Approved, the public hearing was scheduled for March 15, 2013 at 10:00 a.m.)**

#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - GIS**

9. Recommendation to let all Geographic Information Interlocal Agreements expire as of December 31, 2012 as the information will now be provided free of charge and available on the County website. **(Approved)**

#### **HUMAN RESOURCES**

10. Personnel Action Request Recommendation regarding a request from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office for an Exception to the Hiring Freeze to hire 1 Legal Secretary I, II, or III due to a recent resignation. The Director recommends approval. **(Approved)**
11. Personnel Action Request Recommendation regarding a request from the Sheriff's Office to utilize Social Media for County business purposes, specifically to utilize Facebook and Twitter. The Director recommends approval. **(Approved)**

#### **AUDITOR'S OFFICE – ACCOUNTING DEPARTMENT**

12. Budget extension request in the amount of \$650,000.00 to establish the initial budget amounts for the newly formed Dental Insurance Fund #507. **(Approved)**

#### **SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

12. Out of state travel request for Deputy David DeLaRosa and Corrections Corporal Derek Jay to travel for an extradition of a fugitive from February 12– 13, 2013 in Fresno, CA. **(Approved)**

3:30 p.m. – 3:50 p.m. R DeChenne, Facilities and Maintenance Update (**Cancelled**)  
6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. C Swartz at Republican Women of Grant County Meeting (Emperador Azteca, Moses Lake) (**Cancelled**)

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 2013:**

C Carter and C Swartz, Out

9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. R Stevens, Disability Board Meeting  
11:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. HEARINGS EXAMINER  
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. R Stevens at Columbia Basin Development League Board Meeting (JR Simplot) (**Did not attend**)  
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. R Stevens at Health Board Meeting (Public Works Meeting Room) (**Did not attend**)

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2013:**

C Carter and C Swartz, Out

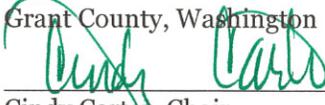
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. R Stevens at MACC Meeting (Armory Building, Moses Lake)  
11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. R Stevens at LEPC Meeting (GTA Building, Moses Lake)  
1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. R Stevens at PCC Rail Authority Meeting (Davenport) (**Cancelled**)  
2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. R Stevens, PCC Rail Authority Conference Call

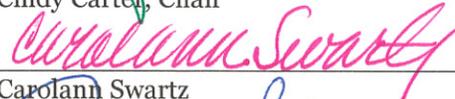
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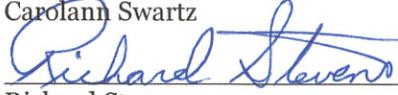
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Signed this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2013.

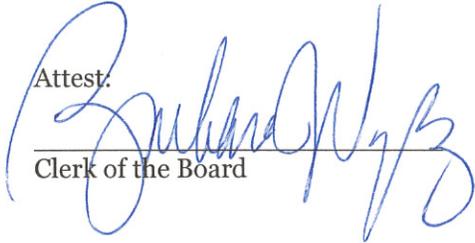
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Grant County, Washington

  
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Cindy Carter, Chair

  
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Clerk of the Board