

**BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' BRIEFING MINUTES**  
**Mason County Commission Chambers, 411 North 5th Street, Shelton, WA**  
**Week of July 6, 2015**

Monday, July 6, 2015

- 9:00 A.M. Closed Session – RCW 42.30.140 (4) Labor Discussion  
Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon met in Closed Session from 9:00 a.m. to 9:20 a.m. with Bill Kenny and Frank Pinter for a labor discussion.
- 9:20 A.M. Support Services - Bill Kenny  
Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon were in attendance.
- Bill Kenny introduced Jeff Vrabel new Parks Manager. Mr. Vrabel previously worked at the City of Tumwater.  
Mr. Vrabel thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve his community.  
Cmmr. Sheldon confirmed that Jeff Vrabel will report to Support Services.
  - Surplus Property. Bill said they will continue to process surplus property through Frank's office.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin said he thinks someone should go out and physically inspect the property.  
Three properties to be sold and there is buyer interest.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin said this is not the proper way to list property and he would rather put these out for the public in the open market.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin/Jeffreys agreed to table this until next week.  
Frank added that the Deer View Circle there has been a counter offer. \$27,500 would be the highest and best offer.
  - Frank Pinter spoke on Public Health's agenda item tentatively scheduled for tomorrow's agenda pertaining to the Multi-Systemic Therapy program. He wanted to clarify that the mental health dollars are already budgeted. They are asking for authorization to enter into a contract.
  - Emergency Declaration: Ross McDowell said there is no need for an extension as the risk has decreased. Cmmr. Neatherlin said if something else comes up they can do another declaration.
  - Homeless Coalition: Bill explained the statute regarding the Homeless Coalition. Mason County did a Homeless Plan and it was submitted to Dept. of Commerce. The Resolution, adopted by a previous Board, said that the BOCC will consider recommendations from the Homeless Coalition. Vicki Kirkpatrick said there is no specific term listed by statute.  
Mr. Kenny said the Plan should probably be updated since it was written in 2007.  
Vicki said some updates took place in 2013 and it is being updated now.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin asked for a copy. He said he would like to see a Plan.  
Vicki will get the Board of copy of the original Plan and updated Plan. She said the Board is always welcome to attend the coalition meetings as well.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin said they will brief this soon.  
Cmmr. Sheldon said it would also help if the financial data was added.
  - MACECOM 2016 Budget: Cmmr. Jeffreys spoke about a possible increase in service fees by 2%. There will also be a personnel change. The Board is supportive.
- 10:00 A.M. Public Health & Human Services – Vicki Kirkpatrick  
Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon were in attendance.
- Vicki Kirkpatrick and the Board had a discussion about the Housing Authority Board.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin asked if a new Housing Authority can be created.  
Patty Sells said yes, although they still won't receive vouchers and currently there are 143 active vouchers in Mason County. She also clarified that the Mason County Housing Authority only oversees the low income housing.  
Cmmr. Jeffreys mentioned that some people do not want to rent out their properties because the renters may ruin it and this contributes to the lack of rental property.  
Cmmr. Jeffreys also asked for a job description of what Patty Sells current position.  
Cmmr. Sheldon suggested having a housing summit to include everyone affiliated with this subject.

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- Vicki Kirkpatrick spoke about the tentative item for the agenda tomorrow regarding the multi-systemic therapy program contract to be paid with mental health dollars. She said this is an evidence based treatment program. It would cost \$52,300 and would service four families and four youth.

Cmmr. Sheldon asked what exactly these services entail.

Vicki said it would be substance abuse, mental health, and behavioral services. She said some people have had to be turned down due to not being Medicaid eligible.

Cmmr. Jeffreys suggested putting the \$35,000 into Guardian Ad Litem program and the rest back into the fund.

Vicki said perhaps consideration should be taken in regards to if we even need an advisory committee.

Cmmr. Neatherlin said there is always a reason why they don't vote for something. He would like to see something.

Vicki Kirkpatrick said it was as thought out as any other proposal brought to the advisory committee.

Cmmr. Sheldon said he didn't vote for the mental health tax to begin with. He said since over a million dollars have been collected, the tax payers have a right to know how many people have been served and what it's costing.

Cmmr. Neatherlin stated that those are some of the questions they have and it was unclear last week so that's why it was taken off the agenda and more information was requested.

The Board feels uncomfortable allocating money with so many unknowns.

Cmmr. Neatherlin said Thurston County Commissioner Cathy Wolfe would like to have a joint meeting regarding this topic.

Cmmr. Sheldon and Jeffreys agree and Cmmr. Neatherlin will take initiative to make the first contact.

- Early Intervention: moves forward
- Consolidated contract C17118 amendment 3: moves forward

11:05 A.M. Public Works - Brian Matthews & Melissa McFadden, Katherine Bennett and Loretta Swanson.

Commissioners Neatherlin, Jeffreys and Sheldon were in attendance.

- Road Vacation 391: This is approved for agenda.
- Public Hearing set for July 7, 2015: This is approved to proceed.
- Sand Hill School speed limit: This is approved for agenda
- Utilities & Waste Management - Brian Matthews/Erika Schwender:
- Erika spoke about the re-cycling contract.

Cmmr. Sheldon left the meeting

11:00 A.M. Auditor – Karen Herr – Postponed until next week.

11:15 A.M. Department of Community Development – Barbara Adkins

- Planning permit fees: Cmmrs. Neatherlin and Jeffreys reviewed planning permit fees with Barbara Adkins.  
Cmmrs. Neatherlin and Jeffreys agree that there is no way they can compare to exactly what everyone else is doing.  
Cmmr. Neatherlin recommends tabling this for another week to seek information from other Counties pertaining to what is included in their fees. He asked Barbara to call a few of them with the biggest differences and get some details.
- Amendments to Title 14 Building & Construction: The amendment adds a new section called "Work Exempt from Permits". Barbara will look into adding language and providing a check list and charge a minimal fee. The hearing will be scheduled.

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Commissioner Discussion – as needed

Commissioners Neatherlin and Jeffreys were in attendance. Commissioner Sheldon was absent.

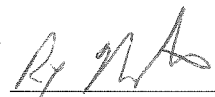
- Pac Mountain work force nomination was discussed.

Adjourned: 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Julie Almanzor, Clerk of the Board

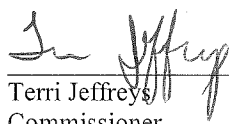
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