BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

February 26, 2013

- 1. Call to Order The Chairperson called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance Patricia Vandehey led the flag salute.
- 3. Roll Call Present: Commissioner District 1 Randy Neatherlin; Commissioner District 2 Tim Sheldon; Commissioner District 3 Terri Jeffreys.
- 4. Correspondence and Organizational Business
 - 4.1 Correspondence
 - 4.1.1 Council for the Friends of Lake Nahwatzel requested that Green Diamond Resources' request for reconsideration be denied.
 - 4.1.2 Mason County Fire District No 2. and Mason County Fire District No. 8 announced the potential formation of a Regional Fire Authority.
 - 4.1.3 Jamie Bariekmann submitted his resignation from the Mason County Civil Service Commission.
 - 4.1.4 Leslie Carter is seeking appointment to the Mason County Historic Preservation Commission.
 - 4.2 Election of Commission Vice-Chair Cmmr. Sheldon/Neatherlin moved and seconded to elect Commissioner Terri Jeffreys as Vice Chair of the Mason County Commission for 2013. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; J-aye.
 - 4.3 Cmmr. Neatherlin read a news release announcing a vacancy on the Civil Service Commission.
 - 4.4 Cmmr. Jeffreys read a news release announcing that Mason County has received a petition for partial merger of Fire District No. 9 into Fire District No. 6.
- 5. Open Forum for Citizen Input -
 - 5.1 Tom Davis commented on a recent labor negotiation settlement. He was concerned that the settlement was not handled correctly for tax purposes.
 - 5.2 Ken VanBuskirk discussed the Belfair SR3 widening project. He wanted to know if the Board had heard back about the costs of phasing project.
 - 5.3 Patricia Vandehey was concerned about changes in environmental laws and regulations.
- 6. Adoption of Agenda Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.
- 7. Approval of Minutes January 14, 2012 and February 19, 2012 briefing meeting minutes and February 12, 2012 and February 19, 2012 regular meeting minutes.

Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to approve the January 14, 2012 and February 19, 2012 briefing meeting minutes and February 12, 2012 and February 19, 2012 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

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8. Approval of Action Agenda:

- 8.1 Approval to set a public hearing on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. to reconsider Commissioners' denial of an application for amendment the Comprehensive Plan's Future Land Use Map and a request for rezone for portions of property located along Lake Nahwatzel and Kennedy Creek as submitted by Green Diamond Resource Company. The original hearing was held on December 11, 2012.
- 8.2 Approval of the Veterans Assistance Fund application for: Tara L. Cox Utilities \$108.31; Rodney L. Gorm Housing \$600.00; John F. Miller (Irma) Food \$150.00; Geryl R. Owen (Michele) Utilities \$141.43; Anton M. Pugel, Jr. Utilities \$557.77; Robert J. Ramar (Diane) Utilities \$228.84; and Herbert O. Vessey (Lucinda) Housing \$142.00, Food \$150.00 & Utilities \$123.90 for a total of \$2,202.25 as recommended by the Veterans Assistance Fund Screening Committee.

Item 8.1 was removed for a separate vote.

Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to approve action item 8.2. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

Item 8.1

Tom Davis asked if there were any new materials to consider.

Cmmr. Neatherlin replied that an appeal was submitted to the Growth Management Hearings Board and additional correspondence was received.

Mr. Davis didn't feel there was enough new information presented to warrant another hearing. He thought it should go before the Growth Management Hearings Board.

Bob Dick presented written comments for the record. He was opposed to the Board reconsidering Green Diamond's rezone request.

Pat Vandehey didn't think the rezone should be reconsidered because the typical rezone criteria would not apply.

Eric Schallon, Green Diamond Resources, felt there was enough new information presented for reconsideration.

Cmmr. Sheldon stated that Green Diamond met the rezone standards and he thought it should be looked at again.

Cmmr. Jeffreys explained that she didn't have enough time at the last hearing to review the information submitted by the Friends of Lake Nahwatzel's attorney and she was concerned about the legal aspects presented. She wanted to look at the issue again.

Cmmr. Neatherlin noted that he did not vote on the issue when he was on the Planning Commission because he was Chair at the time.

Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to approve action item 8.1. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

9. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time – There were no public hearings scheduled.

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10. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials) – 10.1 Discussion of Hood Canal Coordinating Council -

Scott Brewer, Executive Director of the Hood Canal Coordinating Council, stated that it had been a good opportunity to reevaluate the Council. He noted that there would be assistance available to staff for the in-lieu program.

Mr. Davis was opposed to the Commissioners withdrawing from the Council.

There was discussion regarding the County's liability in participating in the Council.

Cmmr. Sheldon noted that he wrote a letter to the State Auditor asking the office to perform a performance audit of the organization.

Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to cancel Mason County's intent to withdraw from the Hood Canal Coordinating Council Interlocal Cooperation Agreement and continue Mason County's membership with HCCC and nominate Commissioner Neatherlin to stand for election as the HCCC Vice-Chair for 2013. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

- 10.2 Bob Simmons, WSU Extension Office, announced upcoming WSU Extension events.
- 11. Board's Reports and Calendar The Commissioners reported on meetings attended the past week and announced their upcoming weekly meetings.
- 12. Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Randy Neatherlin, Chair

Tim Sheldon, Commissioner

Shannon Goudy, Clerk of the Board

ATTEST:

Terri Jeffreys, Commissione