

DRAFT BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

November 26, 2013

1. Call to Order – The Chairperson called the regular meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Jack Janda 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 Washington State Liquor Control Board sent notice of establishments in Mason County with liquor licenses due to expire on 02/28/2014.
 - 4.1.2 Jeffrey Thompson is seeking appointment to the Veteran's Advisory Board position.
 - 4.1.3 2014 Levy Certifications received from Fire District #1.
 - 4.1.4 Stanley M. Graham submitted his resignation from the Mason County Historic Preservation Commission effective November 14, 2013.
 - 4.1.5 Cheryl Williams is seeking appointment for the Planning Advisory Board.
 - 4.1.6 Received an approved budget from Dept. of Revenue for the Board of Fire Commissioners of Mason County, Fire District #13.
 - 4.2 Brian Matthews presented a news release for the Peninsula Regional Transportation Planning Organization Open House.
 - 4.3 John Keates presented a news release for the Parks and Trails Advisory Board Opening.
 - 4.4 Cmmr. Jeffreys welcomed new Clerk of the Board, Mindi Brock.
5. Open Forum for Citizen Input –
 - 5.1 Jack Janda, Hoodspout resident, requested the Commissioners to press staff to do what can be done to remove an abandoned house on Highway 101 North that was damaged in a landslide in 2007 and is an attractive nuisance and is unsafe. Photos of the house were distributed. Cmmr. Neatherlin explained the County is attempting to resolve the issues. Cmmr. Sheldon commented that Wells Fargo is the legal owner and stated that the bank has contacted a local contractor to remove the house. The Board is hopeful it will be taken care of in the near future.
 - 5.2 Tom Davis commented on the proposed 2014 budget and the Budget Manager position. He then asked what the public is getting other than financial instability.
 - 5.3 Steve Bloomfield addressed the Commission regarding the fairgrounds and what was published in an article by KMAS. He asked if the Port of Shelton and the County have entered in to an agreement. Cmmr. Neatherlin stated that no Memo of Understanding (MOU) has been presented.
6. Adoption of Agenda - **Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**
7. Approval of Minutes – November 12 and November 19 regular meeting minutes.
Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to approve November 12 and November 19 Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.
8. Approval of Action Agenda:
 - 8.1 Approval for the Chair to sign letter withdrawing Mason County's application for United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) funding for jail modifications.
 - 8.2 Approval of the following Lodging Tax Fund Applications as recommended by the Lodging Tax Advisory Board: The Allyn Community Association for Allyn Days-\$5,000; Hood Canal Celtic Festival - \$4,000; Kristmas Town Kiwanis for Bluegrass from the Forest - \$5,000; Mason County

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- Forest Festival - \$5,000; North Mason Rotary for Taste of Hood Canal - \$2,500; Union Tourism Association for Pumpkin Fest - \$1,500; Union Tourism Association for Traveler Days Arts Celebration - \$1,500; Shelton Mason County Chamber of Commerce for Visitor Information Centers - \$50,000; North Mason Chamber of Commerce for Visitor Information Center - \$33,781; Shelton Mason County Chamber of Commerce for Joint Tourism Promotion - \$157,090. No awards to the Washington State Senior Games or Olympic Broadcasting, Inc.
- 8.3 Approval to set a public hearing on Tuesday, December 10, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. to consider approval of lease for Mason County Tidelands located on Harstine Island.
- 8.4 Approval of the resolution setting a budget hearing on Tuesday, December 17, 2013 at 9:30 a.m. to consider the following change to the 2013 budget: \$250,000 budget transfer from Current Expense Fund budgeted ending fund balance to Current Expense/Sheriff – Jail Care & Custody Program for inmate medical expenses. **Resolution No. 65-13 (Exhibit A)**
- 8.5 Approval to amend Ordinance No. 68-10 imposing a local excise tax in the amount of seventy cents per retail transaction on prepaid wireless telecommunications service for Enhanced 911 Services. **Resolution No. 66-13 (Exhibit B)**
- 8.6 Approval for the Chair to sign a Road Use Agreement with the Belfair Acreage Tract Association. The agreement will be used to facilitate access to County owned property that is planned for a timber sale in 2013/2014.
- 8.7 Approval for Chair to sign Real Estate Multiple Listing Forms. The agreement will facilitate marketing and selling Mason County Surplus Real Estate. This property is 24.9 acres of undeveloped property south of Belfair.
- 8.8 Approval of Veterans Assistant Fund applications for: Food \$150 and Housing \$1,060 for a total of \$1,210 as recommended by the Veterans Assistance Fund Screening Committee.

Items 8.2 and 8.7 were removed for a separate vote.

Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to approve action items 8.1 through 8.8 excluding agenda item 8.2 and 8.7. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

Item 8.2

Tom Davis would like to see performance measures for joint tourism.

Cmmr. Sheldon stated is it hard to measure and it is very hard for the legislature to change the rules. The money is for tourism promotion.

Cmmr. Neatherlin stated he has an issue with the award to the North Mason Chamber of Commerce.

Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to accept the Lodging Tax applications as recommended. Motion carried. N-Nay; S-aye; J-aye.

Item 8.7

Cmmr. Neatherlin expressed concern with the contract and the potential liability prior to sale of the property.

After discussion, the item was tabled.

Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to table for two weeks to December 10 to allow time to meet with the real estate agent. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.

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9. 6:30 p.m. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time –
There were no public hearings scheduled.
10. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials) –
 - 10.1 Vicki Kirkpatrick reminded everyone it is flu season, cover your cough and get a flu shot.
 - 10.2 Ms. Kirkpatrick thanked the Mason County Public Health staff that help keep our community safe and healthy. National thank a public health worker day was on November 25.
 - 10.3 John Keates recognized Kelly Frazier as an extremely valuable employee who was awarded the Most Popular Mason County Employee in the *Mason County Journal*.
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 7:11 p.m.

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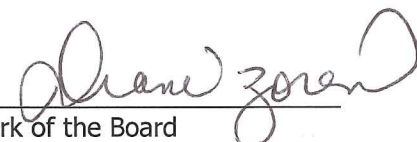


Randy Neatherlin, Chair



Tim Sheldon, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board



Terri Jeffreys, Commissioner

RESOLUTION NO. 65-13
2013 BUDGET
BUDGET TRANSFER - NOTICE OF HEARING

WHEREAS, by reason of conditions which could not be reasonably foreseen at the time of making the budget for the year 2013, it is necessary to make provision for a budget transfer to the budget as required by RCW 36.40.100, and RCW 36.40.195 for the following:

Current Expense –

\$250,000 budget transfer from Current Expense (CE) Fund budgeted ending fund balance to Current Expense – Sheriff/Care & Custody of Prisoners for inmate medical health care costs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE Board of Mason County Commissioners:

That the 17th day of December, 2013 at the hour of 9:30 a.m in the Mason County Commissioners Chambers in Courthouse Building I, 411 North Fifth Street, Shelton, Washington, is hereby fixed as the time and place for a public hearing upon the matter of a budget transfer to the 2013 Budget as follows:

- **Current Expense – Sheriff/ Care & Custody of Prisoners \$250,000 budget transfer from CE budgeted ending fund balance.**

The Clerk of the Board is hereby authorized, empowered, and directed to cause notice of such hearing to be published as provided by law.

DATED this 26th day of November, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST:



~~Diane Zoren~~, Clerk of the Board

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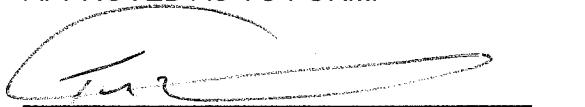


Randy Neatherlin, Chair

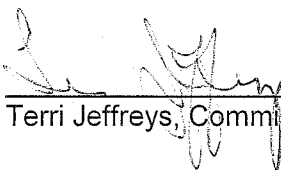


Tim Sheldon, Commissioner

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Tim Whitehead, Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



Terri Jeffreys, Commissioner

C: Auditor Financial Services
Treasurer
Sheriff

Publish 2x 12/5 & 12/12– bill to Sheriff, PO Box 1037, Shelton

Exhibit A

ORDINANCE NO. 66-13
AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 68-10

IMPOSING A LOCAL EXCISE TAX PER RETAIL TRANSACTION FOR PREPAID WIRELESS
TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE FOR ENHANCED 911 SERVICES

WHEREAS, Mason County currently collects local enhanced 911 excise tax to be used for an emergency services communication system, which provides for rapid public access for coordinated dispatching of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities for police, fire medical, or other emergency services; and

WHEREAS, since March 1, 1987, the county enhanced 911 excise tax on the use of switched access lines (landlines) in Mason County has been collected and was increased to seventy cents per month effective January 1, 2011 for each switched access line, the maximum allowed under State law; and

WHEREAS, since January 1, 2003, the county enhanced 911 excise tax on the use of radio access lines (wireless-cellular) in Mason County has been collected and was increased to seventy cents per month effective January 1, 2011 for each radio access line, the maximum allowed under State law; and

WHEREAS, since January 1, 2011, the county enhanced 911 excise tax on the use of interconnected voice over internet protocol (VoIP) service lines has been collected at seventy cents per month for each interconnected voice over internet protocol (VoIP) service line, the maximum allowed under State law; and

WHEREAS, the Washington State Legislature passed Second Engrossed Second Substitute House Bill 1971, to amend certain statutes related to taxes and other charges on communications services, including RCW 82.14B.030. The amendments to RCW 82.14B.030 restructure the manner in which a county may impose an enhanced 911 excise tax on the use of radio access lines by consumers of prepaid wireless telecommunications service.


WHEREAS, in accordance with RCW 38.52.510 each county must implement countywide or multicounty-wide enhanced 911 emergency communications systems so that enhanced 911 is available throughout the state and the county must provide funding for the enhanced 911 communications system in the county in an amount equal to the amount the maximum tax under RCW 82.14B.030(1) would generate in the county less any applicable administrative fee charged by the department of revenue or the amount necessary to provide full funding of the system in the county;

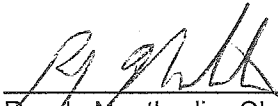
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Mason County Commissioners shall maintain the aforementioned excise taxes on switched access lines, radio access lines and interconnected voice over internet protocol and additionally impose a local excise tax of seventy cents per retail transaction, as defined by RCW 82.14B.020, for prepaid wireless telecommunications service. This rate of tax is the maximum allowed and is effective January 1, 2014.

PASSED this 26th day of November, 2013.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON


ATTEST:


Mindi Brock, Clerk of the Board


Randy Neatherlin, Chair

APPROVED AS TO FORM:


Terri Jeffreys, Commissioner


Tim Whitehead, Chief Deputy Prosecuting
Attorney


Tim Sheldon, Commissioner