

## BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

February 4, 2014

1. Call to Order – The Chairperson called the regular meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Jeff Carey 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 notices of marijuana license applications for Hail Products, Corrected-Hazy Daze, and Stone Supply.
    - 4.1.2 Washington State Liquor Control Board sent notice that Seabeck Pizza has discontinued sales and service of liquor.
    - 4.1.3 North Mason Regional Fire Authority submitted their budget for 2014.
    - 4.1.4 Washington State Department of Natural Resources submitted a letter regarding forest lands that benefit Mason County and dollar amounts the land generated for 2013 and are projected to generate in 2014.
    - 4.1.5 League of Woman Voters of Mason County commented on 2014 budget process.
    - 4.1.6 Richard Knight commented on Petition for Road Vacation #390 Wheelwright Street.
    - 4.1.7 Jeff Carey requested the Board delay taking action on Road Vacation #390 Wheelwright Street.
5. Open Forum for Citizen Input –
  - 5.1 Marty Best asked how the consolidation of Support Services will generate a cost savings. Cmmr. Jeffreys responded that the reorganization is not necessarily a cost savings but a consolidation of services in order to provide the services more efficiently. These are internal services that were spread out in other departments and need to be under one umbrella. Cmmr. Neatherlin believes that in the long run, there will be a cost savings due to the consolidation. It was noted that Emergency Management cannot be paid with Road dollars and is being funded with Current Expense dollars.
  - 5.2 Patricia Vandehey commented on the geoduck ban in China that has not been lifted and she is concerned with pollution. She also noted the final EIS from the City of Shelton regarding the Shelton Hills proposal is available and there will be a public hearing on February 18.
6. Adoption of Agenda - **Cmmr. Sheldon/Neatherlin moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**
7. Approval of Minutes – December 23 and 30 briefing meeting minutes; January 28 regular meeting minutes.
8. **Cmmr. Neatherlin/Sheldon moved and seconded to approve the December 23 and 30 briefing meeting minutes and the January 28 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**
9. Approval of Action Agenda:
  - 8.1 Approval to authorize Public Works to advertise, set bid date/time, award contract and allow the Chair to sign all pertinent documents for routine Paint Striping for 2014. The contract award will be announced during a regular meeting of the Board of County Commissioners.
  - 8.2 Approval to authorize Public Works to advertise, set bid opening date/time, award contract and allow Chair to sign all pertinent documents for 2014 for the Manufacturing and Stockpiling of Chipseal Aggregate. Contract awards will be announced during a regular meeting of the Board.

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- 8.3 Approval to authorize Public Works to advertise, set bid opening date/time, award contract and allow Chair to sign all pertinent documents for call for bids to furnish Mason County with Emulsified Asphalt for 2014. Contract awards will be announced during a regular meeting of the Board.
- 8.4 Approval of the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner and grant the vacation of a portion of Wheelwright Street and Alley, Plat of town of Allyn, Volume 1 of plats, page 17, records of Mason County, Vacation file #390 as petitioned, subject to the conditions contained in the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the Hearing Examiner.
- 8.5 Approval to execute an intergovernmental request and agreement for reimbursable work by Mason Conservation District to provide environmental services, as needed, for calendar year 2014.
- 8.6 Approval to execute the resolution for the 2014 Hot-Mix Asphalt Overlay Projects and allow Public Works to advertise, set bid opening date/time, award contract and authorize the Chair to sign all pertinent documents. Contract award will be announced during a regular meeting of the Board.
- 8.7 Approval of Warrants
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| Claims Clearing Fund | Warrant #s 229162-230380   | \$ 1,601,729.10 |
| Claims Clearing Fund | Warrant #s 8000001-8000015 | \$ 64,287.27    |
| Claims Clearing Fund | Warrant #s 8000217-8000260 | \$ 91,041.27    |
| Claims Clearing Fund | Warrant #s 8000744-8000837 | \$ 244,948.53   |
- 8.8 Approval of Veterans Assistance Fund application for: Food \$150.00; Utilities \$213.11; and Housing \$600.00 for a total of \$963.11.
- 8.9 Approval of contract Amendment #1 with Paul Graves to assist Mason County Facilities, Parks and Trails Department with Timber Management Services.
- 8.10 Approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Shelton Skookum Rotary Club Foundation (SSRCF), Mason County and the Port of Shelton to explore options for an event center. This is tabled from January 28.
- 8.11 Approval of agreement between Mason County Parks and trails Department and Charles Slaughter as caretaker of Mason County Recreational Area. (MCRA)
- 8.12 Approval of voicing no objections to the special occasion liquor license application for the Mary E Theler Community Center and Wetlands for a dinner on February 22, and to have the Chair sign the Notice of Liquor License Application from the Washington State Liquor Control Board.

Questions

Item 8.10 – Memorandum of Understanding with the Shelton Skookum Rotary Club Foundation and the Port of Shelton.

Q. Annette McGee asked if the MOU was revised.

A – Yes, it was on the January 28 agenda and has since been revised. Copies were made for the audience.

Item 8.7. Approval of Warrants

Q. What is this paying for?

A. Pays a variety of bills to run the county including payroll, 13th month and 2014 bills.

Item 8.4 Road Vacation #390

Jeff Carey requested this be tabled for one week. This item was pulled off the agenda for a separate vote.

The following items were removed for separate vote: Items 8.2, 8.4, 8.5, and 8.10.

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**Cmmr. Neatherlin/Sheldon moved and seconded to approve action items 8.1, 8.3, 8.6, 8.7, 8.8, 8.9, 8.11 and 8.12. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**

Item 8.2 Call for Bids for Chipseal Aggregate

Melissa McFadden, County Engineer, explained Public Works follows the bid process every year for the county to receive chipseal. They are using a new process this year to allow additional competition.

Annette McGee believes the process is wrong to not open the bids in front of the Commissioners, although she acknowledged it is not illegal

**Cmmr. Sheldon/Neatherlin moved and seconded to approve item 8.2. Approval to authorize Public Works to advertise, set bid opening date/time, award contract and allow Chair to sign all pertinent documents for 2014 for the Manufacturing and Stockpiling of Chipseal Aggregate. Contract awards will be announced during a regular meeting of the Board. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**

Item 8.4 Road Vacation #390

Cathe Bennett, Public Works, explained this item went to the Hearing Examiner and it was denied without prejudice. The request was then revised and went back to the Hearing Examiner. There was an Executive Session held with Chief Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Tim Whitehead.

Tim Whitehead agreed with the Hearing Examiner that this portion of Wheelright Street is vacated by way of law, and the County did consider prescriptive rights in the area.

Jeff Carey, Allyn, owns property in the area and has concerns with the road vacation request. He has asked an attorney to look at this to know his rights. He is concerned with the bigger picture in this plat and the impact of the road vacation. He requested the Board table the item allowing him time to obtain legal advice.

Mr. Whitehead advised the Board that the item can be tabled but it is vacated by law. It needs to be officially vacated so there is no cloud on the title.

**Cmmr. Neatherlin/Sheldon moved and seconded to table item 8.4 for one week to February 11. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**

Cmmr. Jeffreys commented on the law, which is no longer in effect, that said if there is no proof the road had continuous use for 10 years, it is automatically vacated by law and that makes a problem for UGA's. The Plat of Allyn was platted when the law was in effect.

Item 8.5 Intergovernmental Agreement with Mason Conservation District

Brian Matthews, Public Works Director, asked the Board to table this item so the agreement can be revised so the services can go both ways.

**Cmmr. Sheldon/Neatherlin moved and seconded to table item 8.5 for two weeks to February 18 and have a briefing on the item before that date. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**

Item 8.10 Memorandum of Understanding with the Shelton Skookum Rotary Club Foundation and the Port of Shelton

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Patti Case, Shelton Skookum Rotary Club, submitted the memorandum of understanding (MOU) to the county last week and Cmmr. Sheldon requested revisions. This MOU allows the Skookum Rotary Foundation to facilitate a process to explore options for an event center. There is potential to use the current fairgrounds while they move forward with a plan for a new event center. They are talking to potential funders and current users to understand what they need in an event center.

Tom Davis stated he has no objections to the MOU, he is concerned with the potential to not have the fairgrounds and no event center. He talked about the history of the current fairgrounds. He believes there was a consensus of the Board and those who signed the petition that the fairgrounds should stay where they are. He believes the County should legally fight the FAA on their determination that the fairgrounds cannot continue where they are. He believes the County did not explore all legal avenues.

Cmmr. Neatherlin is not sure the County would have legal standing since the fairgrounds is not County property. The Port of Shelton Commission makes the land use decision for their property.

Cmmr. Jeffreys believes the Port of Shelton Commission has determined that the land is aeronautical use. It's not the FAA that is dictating to the Port of Shelton.

Connolly Watson questioned if an event center is the same as fairgrounds.

Cmmr. Jeffreys stated an event center is a more expanded use.

Annette McGee agreed with Tom Davis' comments. The County had been asked about zoning of the fairgrounds. She pointed out the petition process that Bev Godwin spearheaded and speaks for the people's choice to leave the fairgrounds where they are. She believes the current fairgrounds can be improved upon for less money than building a new event center.

Cmmr. Sheldon appreciates the comments and the petition process. This is a memorandum of understanding to work with the Port of Shelton and Skookum Rotary to look at options in order to move forward.

Cmmr. Neatherlin stated signing this MOU is the county's opportunity to have a say in a fairgrounds.

Cmmr. Jeffreys agreed this MOU allows the situation to move forward. It is not the will of the Port of Shelton Commission to continue the fairgrounds. She thanked the Rotary for their efforts.


**Cmmr. Sheldon/Neatherlin moved and seconded to approve item 8.10, approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Shelton Skookum Rotary Club Foundation (SSRCF), Mason County and the Port of Shelton to explore options for an event center. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**

10. 9:30 a.m. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time – There were no public hearings.
11. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials) –
  - 11.1 Bob Simmons announced a green house workshop that will be held this Saturday and a workshop on February 22.
  - 11.2 Sheriff Salisbury congratulated Bob Simmons on his new venture. Thanked the supporters of the polar plunge. Announced the grand opening of the north end precinct in Belfair on February 22.

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- 12. Board's Reports and Calendar - The Commissioners reported on meetings attended the past week and announced their upcoming weekly meetings.
- 13. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Terri Jeffreys, Chair

*Absent.*  
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Tim Sheldon, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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Clerk of the Board

  
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Randy Neatherlin, Commissioner