

MINUTES

BOARD OF BENTON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Regular Board Meeting
Tuesday, July 31, 2012, 9:00 a.m.
Commissioners' Conference Room
Benton County Courthouse, Prosser, WA

Present: Chairman James Beaver
Commissioner Shon Small
Commissioner Leo Bowman
County Administrator David Sparks
Clerk of the Board Cami McKenzie

Benton County Employees Present During All or a Portion of the Meeting: Deputy Administrator Loretta Smith Kely; Adam Fyall, Sustainable Development Manager; Finance Manager Keith Mercer; Personnel Manager Melina Wenner; Human Services Manager Ed Thornbrugh; Public Works Manager Steve Becken; Planning Manager Mike Shuttleworth; County Engineer Malcolm Bowie; DPA Ryan Brown, DPA Ryan Lukson, and DPA Steve Hallstrom; Nick Kooiker, Treasurer's Office; Susan Walker, Planning; Clerk Josie Delvin; Auditor Brenda Chilton; Randy Reid, Central Services.

Approval of Minutes

The Minutes of July 24, 2012 were approved.

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Commissioner Small moved to approve the consent agenda items "a through "u". Commissioner Bowman seconded and upon vote, the Board approved the following:

Animal Control

- a. Contract with AllSeasons Contractors LLC for Installation of Walkways & Dog Runs

Auditor

- b. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0106-101, Dept. 000

Commissioners

- c. Reappointment of D Akers to the Benton County Public Facilities District
- d. Reappointment of V.J. Meadows to the Benton County Public Facilities District

Facilities

- e. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0000-101, Dept. 110
- f. Contract w/Columbia River Plumbing & Mechanical for Installation of Two Water Heaters

Human Services

- g. Lease Agreement w/Neopost for Postage Equipment

Personnel

- h. August Employee of the Month Appointment

Planning

- i. Letter of Appreciation for J Wetzel
- j. Shoreline Public Participation Plan Update

Public Works

- k. Authorization for Public Hearing for Vacation of Right of Way @ Ruppert Road
- l. Authorization for Public Hearing for Vacation of Right of Way @ Locust Grove Road
- m. Highways & Local Programs State Funding Agreement for Piert Road Extension
- n. Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus for Piert Road Extension
- o. Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0501-101, Dept. 650
- p. Authorization to Purchase Two All-Wheel Drive Motor Graders
- q. Public Works Contract w/L & S Fencing for Installation of Fencing & Access Gate

Sheriff

- r. Reestablishing Employee Recognition Award Policy; Rescinding Resolution 08-952
- s. Reestablishing Compensation of Appointed Non-Bargaining Supervisors; Rescinding Resolution 05-637
- t. Grant Agreement w/WA State Military Dept for Buffer Zone Protection Program

Superior Court

- u. Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement w/the Boards of Commissioners of Benton and Franklin Counties for Superior Court Salaries & Benefits

Aging & Long Term Care Update

Lori Brown updated the Board on the current structure and services provided by the Agency on Aging & Long Term Care. She said there is an agreement in place created in the 1970's to provide services in seven counties and it was created to ensure continuum of service for elderly and disabled. She indicated that Yakima County was currently the authority for this agency and Yakima County had asked her to explore a different governing structure (a Council of Government) that would include interaction with the different counties; this would involve a new interlocal agreement and she would provide examples of interlocal agreements that were being used across the state as a model.

Chairman Beaver said he was sensitive to signing interlocal agreements and wanted to make sure there were not any future requests for contribution from Benton County. Ms. Brown said that was not the intent and she would provide further information to the Board if it was interested. The Board said it was interested.

Final Plat of Cottonwood Estates

Mike Shuttleworth presented the final plat of Cottonwood Estates. He said that all conditions had been met and it was ready for approval.

MOTION: Commissioner Bowman moved to approve the final plat of Cottonwood Estates SUB 07-09 and authorize the Chairman so indicate by signing the final plat. Upon vote, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Assignment Update

Commissioner Bowman reported on his attendance at the following meetings: Hanford Communities meeting and Washington State Community and Economic Development Housing Committee (reviewing economic development issues).

Commissioner Small reported on the following activities: meeting with Port of Benton regarding partnership; meeting with Sheriff's office; continuing to work with GCBH; toured the Horse Heaven Hills with Senator Jerome Delvin to talk about their land issues affecting that area.

Chairman Beaver said he continued to work on the Yakima water issue and attended the Chamber event.

Executive Session

The Board went into executive session at 9:32 a.m. with DPA Ryan Brown for up to 30 minutes to discuss pending and potential litigation. Also present were Ryan Lukson, Steve Hallstrom, Loretta Smith Kelty, Melina Wenner, David Sparks, and Cami McKenzie. The Board came out of executive session at 9:57 a.m. Mr. Brown said the Board discussed pending and potential litigation and said the Board took no action.

The Board briefly recessed, reconvening at 10:02 a.m.

Executive Session

The Board went into executive session at 10:02 a.m. with DPA Steve Hallstrom for up to 20 minutes to discuss the performance of a public employee. Also present were David Sparks, Ryan Brown, Ryan Lukson, Melina Wenner, Loretta Smith Kelty, and Cami McKenzie. The Board came out of executive session at 10:17 a.m. and Mr. Hallstrom said the Board took no action.

Vouchers

Check Date: 07/27/2012
Warrant #: 62488-62729
Transfers #: 010107122
Total all funds: \$878,134.77

Total amounts approved by fund can be reviewed in the Benton County Auditor's Office.

Resolutions

2012-421 Contract with AllSeasons Contractors LLC for Installation of Walkways & Dog Runs
2012-422 Line Item Transfer, Fund No. 0106-101, Dept. 000
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- 2012-439 Final Plat Approval of SUB 07-09 – Cottonwood Estates

There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:17a.m.

Clerk of the Board

Chairman