

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Tuesday March 20, 2018**

The meeting was opened at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Exner with Commissioner Davis and Commissioner Blankenship present.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

'Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) for Personnel' was added to the Agenda.

'Working Session' was added to the Agenda.

Board Organizations

Correspondence

Board Reports:

Commissioner Exner

Commissioner Exner attended an EMS Meeting on the 13th. Commissioner Exner attended the Open Public Meeting Act training on Wednesday.

Commissioner Davis

Commissioner Davis attended an orientation with the new Ferry County Grant Writer on Wednesday. Commissioner Davis attended the Open Public Meetings Act training on Wednesday. Commissioner Davis had a phone conversation with Scott Robinson from RCO on Thursday. Commissioner Davis worked with Justilynn Van Wyk on Business Recruitment on Friday.

Commissioner Blankenship

Commissioner Blankenship attended Tri County Forest Group Subcommittee Recreation Group Meeting on Friday the 16th. Commissioner Blankenship attended a meeting at the Barstow Fire Hall to discuss the Deadman Creek Road issues on Friday evening. Deadman Creek slide slid again during the meeting. The road crew cleaned it up so participants could get home.

Minutes

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the Tri County Forest Group meeting notes as corrected for February 23, 2018. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for March 12, 2018. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for March 13, 2018. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Rail Corridor Committee (RCC) Recommendations for Appointment

The sign-in sheet is in the file. (ex. #1)

Ms. Weller said that they sent the Board of Commissioners their recommendation RCC members on Friday March 9th. The RCC members would like continuity of the current committee members at this time due to some issues with the trail, they feel that the knowledge of the current board members is important.

Working Session

Consent & Vouchers

Commissioner Blankenship made a motion to approve Commissioners Order 18-01 Public Works Advertising for a Geo Tech. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Order 18-01 was signed by the Board. (ex. #2)

The Board approved the job description for the Treasurer's Office part time position. (ex. #3)

Commissioner Exner left at 11:25 a.m.

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:28 a.m. The Board reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Commissioner Exner returned at 1:00 p.m.

Conference Call with Stevens County Commissioners

Stevens County Commissioner Steve Parker, Stevens County Commissioner Don Dashiell, and Stevens County Commissioner Wes McCart came before the Board (via conference call) for a discussion. Sheriff Maycumber was present.

Discussion was held on the agreement with Jeff Flood. Sheriff Maycumber said that Mr. Flood is a commissioned deputy that gets paid an hourly rate of \$25 and mileage with his own vehicle. The Stevens County Board said that there needs to be compliance time tracking, Sheriff Maycumber said that he already does that for L&I purposes. They would like to make Mr. Flood a salary exempt full time employee, with benefits. He will be exempt from the union.

Discussion was held on benefits for Mr. Flood. Steven's County may have a vehicle for Mr. Flood to use. Discussion was held on the possibility of making Mr. Flood a Ferry County full time employee, and Stevens County will pay half of his salary. Discussion was held on the terms of the agreement. The Stevens County Board asked if they can contact Mr. Flood to see when he can start. Sheriff Maycumber and the Board approved the request. Stevens County will start working on the agreement and a start date.

Tri County Economic Development District (TEDD) Update

TEDD Jeff Koffel, Economic Development Specialist April Drennan came before the Board for an update. A community member was present.

Ms. Drennan said that the Farmers Market Grant is opening up again and she will be applying for it. Mr. Koffel said that they will be getting a Feasibility Study Grant. Discussion was held on Opportunity Zones. Ferry County has three census tracts. The reservation area has one tract, the lake area is a tract, and Malo up over Boulder down to Barneys Junction is the third. Mr. Koffel is asking for a letter of recommendation for the Tribe, and a letter recommending the Tri County Economic Development District as the Opportunity Zone Application for census tract 53019970200. Mr. Koffel presented the Board with copies of the draft letters of recommendation and Opportunity Measurement Report 360. The Board would also like a letter of recommendation from WSU if they are willing. Mr. Koffel will need the signed letters back to him by noon on Monday.

Sample Letter of Support to Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation is in the file. (ex. #4)

Sample Letter of Support to Mr. Koffel is in the file. (ex. #5)

'Enterprise Opportunity Measurement Report 360' is in the file. (ex. #6)

Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) for Personnel

The Board went in to Executive Session at 1:50 p.m. for 30 minutes. The Board extended for 5 minutes. The Board came out of Executive Session at 2:25 p.m. No decisions were made.

WSU: Amending the MOA

WSU Extension Director Trevor Lane came before the Board for an update. Community member Keith Bell was present.

Mr. Lane presented the Board with a letter regarding funding for the half time Extension Coordinator and a copy of the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between Ferry County and Washington State University. Discussion was held on the part time extension coordinator. Mr. Lane said that when the original MOA was signed, the position was open, therefore those funds were not included in the final total of the MOA. The MOA needs to be amended now that the position is filled. Discussion was held on the salaries for WSU employees.

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the amended MOA between Ferry County and Washington State University Extension. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion, the motion carried unanimously.

The MOA was signed by the Chairman. (ex. #7)

Email to Board of Commissioners regarding funding is in the file. (ex. #8)

Fair Grounds Update

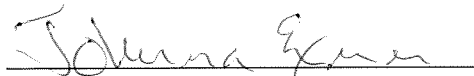
Fair Grounds Manager Wayne Egner came before the Board for an update. Community member Keith Bell was present.

Mr. Egner said that they need to replace some lighting in the arena. They are working with the PUD on getting a rebate, and the install will be done before the fair. Mr. Egner said that they are meeting with their replacements tomorrow to start training them. Mr. Egner will get his replacement Aaron Urseth set up for what needs done first, and will come back by the middle of April to show him how to turn the water on. He is limited on what he can show him because of all of the snow on the ground. The Board thanked Mr. Egner for all of his years of service.


Unfinished Business

With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

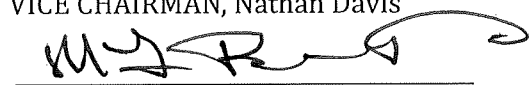
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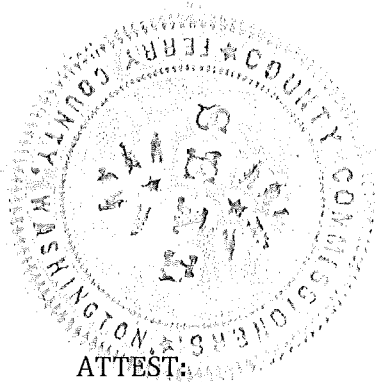
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VICE CHAIRMAN, Nathan Davis



MEMBER, Mike Blankenship



ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board, Amanda Rowton