

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday July 22, 2019**

Commissioner Davis opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. Present: Commissioner Nathan Davis, Commissioner Mike Blankenship, Commissioner Johnna Exner, Clerk of the Board Amanda Rowton, Deputy Clerk of the Board Jennifer Knowles and interested members of the public.

Invocation & Pledge of Allegiance

Changes and Additions to the Agenda

No action was taken.

Correspondence & Board Reports

No action was taken.

Meeting Minutes Approval

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the BOCC meeting minutes as corrected for July 15, 2019. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Action Taken

Commissioner Davis made a motion to go out to ballot for a 2/10th of 1% tax increase to help pay for Law & Justice. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Forest Service Update

Republic District Ranger Travis Fletcher and USFS Public Affairs Officer Jen Knutson were present. Discussion was held on the Secure Rural Schools Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) Board. Ms. Knutson presented the Board with Secure Rural Schools Resource Advisory Committee position list (Ex. #1). Discussion was held on the Timber lengths. The lengths are 12' right now, they may go to 16'. Discussion was held on forest restoration funding. Discussion was held on different Forest Service projects. Discussion was held on wolves. There is a potential land acquisition in the Iron Mountain area. Discussion was held on a non-motorized trail that may be able to be routed into Republic. It will be part of the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail.

Consent Items

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve special occurrence mileage pay for Mike Nee due to the road closure of Highway 21 from July 23rd-25th. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #2)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Commissioner Davis' travel reimbursement past the required 60 days. Commissioner Blankenship seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0. Commissioner Davis abstained.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Aaron Grady to the Veterans Advisory Board. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #3)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the Warrant No. 334818-334819 in the amount of \$51,002.46. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #4)

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 11:48 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Public Works Update

Engineer Bob Breshears, Director Ron Charlton, and Controller Mary Kalinowski were present. Ms. Kalinowski presented the Board with a copy of the Public Works Agenda (Ex. #5).

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Silver Creek Section 1 Pre-level Bituminous Surface Treatment CRP No. 15-04 Project Drawings and Specifications Approval. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #6)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Bridge Creek Section 13 Amendment No. 2 Project Agreement. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #7)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement Lower Cache Creek Slide was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #8)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement Inchelium Highway Repair was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #9)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement Cache Creek Slide was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #10)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement Kiwanis Beach Bridge No. 21 Rehabilitation was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #11)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement Boulder Creek Bridge No. 20 Rehabilitation was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #12)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement West Curlew Lake Culvert Replacement was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #13)

Local Agency Agreement Supplement County Wide Bridge End Rail was signed by the Chairman. (Ex. #14)

The Cache Creek slide and the lower Cache Creek slide will be put out to bid together. Discussion was held on the Rural Resources Office Lease Agreement (Ex. #15). Public Works would prefer that the lease and the payment were due on the same date; they will be having a conversation on the subject with Rural Resources. The crews are down working on the Silver Creek slide area.

Microsoft Donation

WSU Extension Director Trevor Lane was present via conference call. Microsoft has to put the money through a 501(c)(3). Search and Rescue doesn't want to be responsible for making sure that the funds are being spent how they are supposed to be spent. Ferry County can be the responsible party to track the funds. Discussion was held on the billing for the funds. Discussion was held on the agreement for the funds.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to enter into the Ferry County Search and Rescue Grant through Microsoft. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (Ex. #16)

County Update

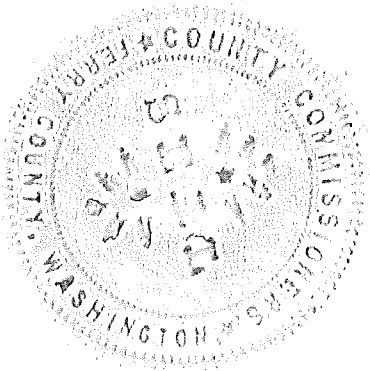
State Representative Jacqueline Maycumber was present. Commissioner Blankenship said we need to find a basic source for county funding. Background searches are an unfunded mandate. The county has had a loss of funding in the jail due to drugs/medical treatments of inmates. The county is also required to take on city felonies. Discussion was held on housing. Commissioner Blankenship feels there needs to be a study into what the basic funding requirements are, and unfunded mandates. Discussion was held on roads and road maintenance. Discussion was held on Indigent Defense. Ms. Maycumber said the background checks used to be on a federal level, now it is the county's responsibility. Commissioner Blankenship would like to see the RCW's change to allow counties to authorize ATV use on their 50 MPH roads. Ms. Maycumber said Fish Hatchery Road is too dangerous for ATV use. They just had their 4th fatality/serious bodily harm accident on that road. The Board asked Ms. Maycumber to write a letter in that regard.


Discussion was held on Public Records Requests. Commissioner Exner would like to see an end to compensation due to public records/frivolous lawsuits. Discussion was held on wildlife depredations. Discussion was held on tribal Department of Fish and Wildlife/wolves. Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife is no longer contacting Ferry County regarding depredations and wolf location. The county would like to be in the loop as they used to regarding wolves. Ms. Maycumber has requested a human/wolf protocol from the Department of Fish and Wildlife, but she hasn't seen it yet. There will be a new speaker of the House coming up. Discussion was held on Veterans Service Officers and funds available for veterans. Discussion was held on veteran services for mental health. Discussion was held on Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC).

Adjourn


With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 2:59 p.m.

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FERRY COUNTY, WASHINGTON

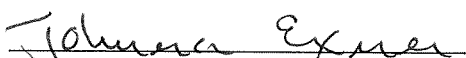




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VICE CHAIRMAN, Nathan Davis



MEMBER, Johnna Exner

ATTEST:



Clerk of the Board, Amanda Rowton