

**Adjourned Meeting of the Board
Ferry County Commissioners
Monday October 28, 2019**

Commissioner Blankenship 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

An Inmate Medical Treatment Update was added to the Agenda.

A Recreation Fund discussion was added to the Agenda.

Tabulation System was added to the Agenda.

A Risk Management Update was added to the Agenda.

A Drug Court Discussion was added to the Agenda.

Correspondence & Board Reports

No action was taken.

Approved Minutes

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the BOCC meeting minutes as corrected for October 21, 2019. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

HUB Update

Payroll Specialist Rosanna Champion, Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib, Senior Benefits Consultant Melissa Koontz, and Senior Benefits Consultant Matt Gilroy were present. Account Executive Ashley Douglas, Account Manager Randi Jennings, and Financial Consultant Rob Ezell were present via conference call. Jail Superintendent Shawn Davis was also present. Ms. Koontz presented a proposal booklet (ex. #1). Discussion was held on the different plan options. No action was taken.

Inmate Medical Treatment Update

Jail Superintendent Shawn Davis and Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib were present. Mr. Davis presented the Board with a letter (ex. #2). Discussion was held on the MOU for Providence Network for medical coverage for inmate, there is no current contract. They take inmates over for MAT treatment. Providence is less expensive than the local Ferry County hospital. The MOU is good for one year and can be renewed annually. The savings will be significant. The consensus of the Board was to move forward with the MOU. Mr. Davis will prepare the MOU and bring it before the Board on November 4th for approval. No further action was taken.

Recreation Fund

Chief Deputy Auditor Joyce Schertenleib was present. There currently is not enough funding in the Recreation fund to pay for some upcoming Rail Trail and Snow Groomer repair bills. Discussion was held on transferring some unrestricted funds from another account to cover the bills until the grant reimbursements come in. The Board recommended a \$20,000 loan transfer from the tourism fund to the Recreation fund. Ms. Schertenleib will work on it.

Consent Items

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve Order to Treasurer to Transfer Funds from Tourism to Current Expense in the amount of \$119,35. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (ex. #3)

Commissioner Exner made a motion to approve the credit card application for Deputy John Mathew Knight in the amount of \$1,000 for training purposes. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (ex. #4)

Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the credit card application for Deputy Stephen Smith in the amount of \$1,000.00 for training purposes. Commissioner Exner seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously. (ex. #5)

Performing Arts, Tourism and Recreation Fund Contract between Ferry County and Wings Over Republic 2019 was signed by the Board. (ex. #6)

The Conservation District is asking for the use of the fairgrounds free of charge for the conservation fair in the spring. The Board asked the Clerk of the Board to speak with the fair managers regarding how much funding would be lost if they waived the fees for the use of the fairgrounds.

Lunch

The Board recessed for lunch at 12:04 p.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m.

Public Hearing: Vaping Ordinance

Risk Manager Robert Young, Sheriff Ray Maycumber, North East Tri County Health District (NETCHD) Administrator Matt Schanz, and NETCHD Community Health Director Judy Hutton were present. The hearing opened at 1:00 p.m. Mr. Schanz expressed his opinions on vaping. Sheriff Maycumber said that they have already stopped selling vaping products in the jail. Sheriff Maycumber is concerned with the wording of the draft ordinance. The hearing closed at 1:07 p.m.

Currently there is no state law against vaping in buildings. Risk Manager Robert Young has received complaints from the Sheriff's Department about people vaping in the building. The county policy does not cover vaping and needs to be updated. With the inmates' no longer smoking, there shouldn't be an issue with the county going forward with the ordinance. Sheriff Maycumber reported that one of the 911 dispatchers works a 12 hours graveyard shift and has no-one to relieve her for her breaks. She can normally go outside in the designated area, but if the wording of the ordinance says; 'Public Space', then she would have to be too far from the building if the phone rings. Mr. Schanz says 'Public Space' is clearly defined as an indoor space. The Board would like to hold off for a while on the ordinance. No action was taken.

North Central Regional Library (NCRL) Strategy Plan

Republic Friends of the Library Board Member Patrice Beckwith, NCRL Board Member Kathryn Mead, Oroville Librarian Daniel Klayton, Republic Librarian Gailene Hooper, and NCRL Executive Director Barbara Walters was present. Ms. Walters gave a strategic plan to each commissioner (ex. #7). Ms. Walters verbally presented the strategy plan to the Board. Mr. Klayton said they are trying to identify the needs of each community to best serve those needs through their libraries. Discussion was held on the reciprocal agreement with Stevens County for the approximately 150 families that live on the east side of Ferry County. This agreement would allow those families to use the Stevens County library and allow Stevens County homebound patrons to use Ferry County's library. NCRL is working on providing portable hot spots to lend to patrons. Ms. Hooper spoke regarding the programs that the Republic Library provides. Ms. Exner would like to see book exchange boxes around the communities. Ms. Hooper said that the Republic library has two shelves for lending books. Ms. Beckwith said the Republic Friends of the Library are having a book sale scheduled for November 8th and 9th. No action was taken.

Tabulation System

Auditor Diana Galvan was present. Ms. Galvan presented the Board with loan information (ex. #8). Discussion was held on loan possibilities. The Board would like time to discuss the issue before they make a decision. No action was taken.

Risk Management Update

Risk Manager Robert Young was present. Discussion was held on hiring a temporary employee rather than an independent contractor for one of the projects using Microsoft grant funding. Commissioner Davis asked the Board to consider hiring the temporary employee for a project through Ferry County Sunrise, he formally asked for a motion to hire.

Commissioner Exner made a motion to hire a temporary part time employee to help with special projects under Ferry County Sunrise using Microsoft grant funds. Commissioner Davis seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Risk Manager Robert Young was present. The Board went into Executive Session at 2:41 p.m. for 19 minutes. The Board extended for 5 minutes. The Board extended for an additional 10 minutes. The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:15 p.m. No action was taken.

Executive Session per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for Litigation

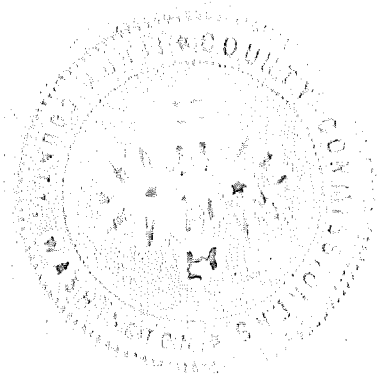
Prosecutor Katherine Burke and Risk Manager Robert Young was present. The Board went into Executive Session at 3:15 p.m. for 15 minutes. The Board extended for an additional 10 minutes. The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:40 p.m. No action was taken.

Drug Court

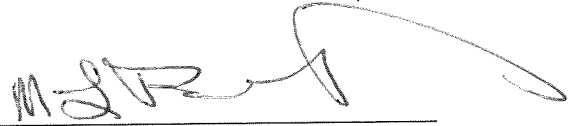
Prosecutor Kathrine Burke and Risk Manager Robert Young were present. Discussion was held on the drug court board members. Ferry County has to appoint their own board members separate from Stevens County. Discussion was held on substance abuse providers. A member of the criminal defense bar will need to be appointed. No action was taken.

Adjourn

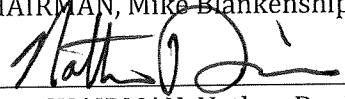
With no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.



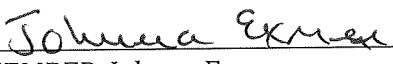
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