

**Klickitat County
Board of Commissioners
Minutes – Meeting of Tuesday, October 11, 2016**

Topic	Agenda Item - Comment/Disposition
	Call to Order/Roll Call
Morning Workshop Session – Tuesday, October 11, 2016	Chairman David M. Sauter called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM. Commissioners present: Rex F. Johnston, Jim Sizemore and David M. Sauter.
	Workshop Session Agenda
Public Works Director/County Engineer Gordon Kelsey: Public Works/Road Department Update	<p>9:30 AM – Public Works Department Update</p> <p>Attendance: Public Works Director Gordon Kelsey, Assistant County Engineer Jeff Hunter and Civil Deputy Prosecutor Rebecca Sells.</p> <p>The Board convened into a Public Works Department update which included a review on Consent Agenda items, updates on construction projects, road maintenance work and facilities upgrades/repairs.</p> <p>This week road crews are focusing on grading and brushing to the east and the west due to recent rainfall.</p> <p>Assistant County Engineer Jeff Hunter provided an update on the gun range project. The project will be starting this week with ground work, and power plans are being finalized with the PUD.</p> <p>Public Works Director Gordon Kelsey discussed the 6-year Transportation Improvement Plan. Director Kelsey explained a new “local road improvement” addition to the plan which includes widening of county roads that are less than the standard 20 feet. The process for choosing roads would be based on usage and is considered necessary for safety and development.</p> <p>The Board had a discussion regarding the City of White Salmon’s interest in annexing Spring Street. Director Kelsey indicated he would gather more information on the matter.</p> <p>The Board revisited a previous discussion on the maintenance portion of the road department. Mr. Hunter and Director Kelsey briefly explained a few options at hand. Director Kelsey explained the importance of keeping roads in “good” standing so that repairs are more cost effective. Director Kelsey stated that roads are assessed every year.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter inquired as to how the County can begin to change its focus from road construction projects to maintenance, noting that there might not always be revenues that it has available now, and he would like a plan to begin implementing.</p> <p>Commissioner Sizemore inquired about where the landfill revenue is being spent on the road department. Mr. Hunter explained that the revenue is only spent on local roads that don’t qualify for grant funds.</p> <p>Commissioner Johnston requested that the Public Works Department reach out to a citizen of Glenwood regarding flooding.</p>

<p>Morning Workshop Session – Tuesday, October 11, 2016 (Continued)</p>	<p>Workshop Session Agenda (Continued)</p>
	<p>Commissioner Sizemore expressed concern about a flooding road in Centerville which connects two major highways. Mr. Hunter explained that to fix a road with flooding, the department has to cut a path into fields nearby for drainage.</p>
<p>Auditor Brenda Sorensen: Department Update</p>	<p>10:30 AM – Department Update</p> <p>Attendance: Auditor Brenda Sorenson, Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Civil Deputy Prosecutor Rebecca Sells.</p> <p>Auditor Brenda Sorenson reported that testing in her office has been completed in preparation for the Cayenta software upgrade, advising that no payables will be presented for approval next week as a result of the system being down today and tomorrow.</p> <p>Auditor Sorenson provided an elections update, reporting that the one-day record for voter registration was broken for the second day in a row as of October 11, 2016. The last day for in-person voter registration is October 31st.</p> <p>Auditor Sorenson reported that the new DRIVES program is being implemented statewide and will go live December 12th. There are many hours of mandatory online training required of all vehicle licensing operators and training staff is being staggered so that there will not be any breaks in service to the public.</p> <p>Auditor Sorenson advised that her office has received a records request for data dumps back to 1998. She is working with the Prosecutor on how to respond to the request.</p>
<p>Klickitat PUD District No. 1 Commissioners and General Manager: Quarterly project update.</p>	<p>Miscellaneous Reports/ Updates</p> <p>Attendance: Klickitat PUD Commissioner Ray Mosbrucker, General Manager Jim Smith, Engineer Ron Schultz Prosecutor David Quesnel, Deputy Prosecutor Rebecca Sells and Natural Resource/Economic Development Director Dave McClure.</p> <p>Klickitat PUD Engineer Ron Schultz provided a map of the Lyle Urban Growth Area. A brief discussion occurred about property owned by the Friends of the Gorge Land Trust located in the Lyle Urban Growth Area.</p> <p>Mr. Schultz discussed the need for a new well in Lyle and the difficulties that have arisen.</p> <p>Commissioner Sizemore recused himself from the meeting due to a possible conflict of interests specific to the Wishram well placement update.</p> <p>Mr. Schultz provided an update on the replacement of the well in Wishram, noting that the location has not been determined. General Manager Jim Smith explained that the goal is to have the well completed by next fire season.</p> <p>Klickitat PUD Commissioner Ray Mosbrucker expressed his goal to have better communications between the Klickitat PUD and the Klickitat County Commissioners.</p>

Lunch Recess		The Board recessed for lunch at 11:38 AM.
		Call to Order/Roll Call
Regular Meeting for Tuesday, October 11, 2016		Chairman David M. Sauter reconvened the meeting at 1:00 PM. All three (3) Commissioners were present.
		Agenda
Business Agenda		Approved (M/Johnston, S/Sizemore. Passed unanimously): the Business Agenda as presented.
		Approval of Commissioner Meeting Minutes
Approval of Meeting Minutes	*	Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Johnston. Passed unanimously): the Klickitat County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes for September 20, 2016 and September 27, 2016 as presented.
		Citizen Comment
		Klickitat County Fair Board member Karla Better explained her vision for the Fair Board as being a more diversified group of people with members from each district of Klickitat County. Ms. Better explained how there needs to be a broad range of individuals included in fair planning to accommodate the many interests of the attendees. Ms. Better proposed solutions such as having each Commissioner choose 4 people from their districts to be on the Fair Board. Ms. Better also proposed the idea of having people run for Fair Board through an election.
		Public Health Director Kevin Barry discussed a proposed budget plan to re-establish a fund balance of \$110,000 by the end of 2017. Discussion followed.
		Consent Agenda
		Approved (M/Jim Sizemore, S/Rex Johnston. Passed unanimously): the Consent Agenda.
	*	1) Interlocal Funding Assistance Agreement(C24016) between Klickitat County and Bickleton School District #203 to provide funding assistance to the district to develop and/or enhance its At-Risk Youth Program.
	*	2) Cumulative Reserve Fund #125 project list change which is required in order to reflect approval of Interlocal Agreement(C24116) with the Lyle School District #405 for the purpose of providing Klickitat County Public Economic Development Authority (EDA) funding to assist with the purchase and installation of equipment related to a playground structure for the Lyle School District
	*	3) Resolution No. 10316 and letter, considering and approving a petition requesting annexation of certain properties into the boundaries of Klickitat County Fire Protection District No. 3.
		4) Scheduling a bid opening to be held Tuesday, October 25, 2016 at 1:30 PM for the Abatement of a nuisance located on property owned by Lavina L. and Willard Cloud Sr.; Parcel No. 02-15-1754-0319/00, Address 319 Main Street, Wishram, WA.
	*	5) FFY 2017 STOP Violence Against Women Formula Grant Agreement (C24216) between the Washington State Department of Commerce, Community Services and Housing Division, Office of Crime Victims Advocacy and Klickitat County (Prosecutor's Office) for the purpose of providing funding to support grant activities funded through the STOP Violence Against Women Program.
	*	6) Resolution No. 10416 in the matter of declaring a 2005 Ford Taurus as surplus and no longer needed by the County to be removed from the Klickitat County Solid Waste Department inventory and disposed of by public sale or at public auction by the County Treasurer.

		Consent Agenda (Continued)
	*	<p>7) Interlocal Radio System Use and 911/Dispatch Services Agreement (C24316) between Klickitat County (Emergency Management Department) and Klickitat Fire District #15 for the purpose of providing 911/Dispatching services and a public safety radio system use for fire units of the District according to the Klickitat County Emergency Management Radio Use Policy. The District agrees to reimburse the county their share of the purchase price for the Spillman Rip and Run software that will be utilized by the district and to pay Active 911 directly for any subscription fees for the District.</p> <p>8) Scheduling a public meeting to be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016 at 1:30 PM to consider approval of Short Plat No. SPL2015-22. Applicant: Karl and Deena Amidon.</p>
		Payment Approvals
Voucher Certification and Approval	*	<p>Approved Warrants (M/Johnston, S/Sizemore. Passed unanimously): Accounts Payable: (#264992 – 265125) for a total of \$221,822.27. Combined Payroll: (#175613 – 175882, County Benefit Warrants #264981 - 264991, and Electronic Transfer #761) \$611,254.76. For a combined total of \$833,077.03 for the date ending October 10, 2016.</p>
Road Department Payments	*	<p>Approved (M/Sizemore, S/Johnston. Passed unanimously): Pay estimate to Stripe Rite in the amount of \$54,196.69 which contains retainage in the amount of \$2,852.69 for a total amount of \$57,049.15 for the 2016 Annual Striping Program Project, RN 642-16.</p>
		Miscellaneous Reports/ Updates
Building Inspection and Code Compliance Director Lynn Ward and Code Compliance Officer Trina Seibert: Nuisance Abatement		<p>Building and Code Compliance Director Lynn Ward presented a nuisance abatement case involving written complaints alleging a burned and unsafe building on property located at 142 Bunn St. Wishram, WA. Parcel No. 02-15-1754-0512/00; Cascade Investment and Management Group, LLC, owner.</p> <p>Director Ward advised that at the time of the site visit it appeared that the property is in violation of the Nuisance Abatement Ordinance and therefore in need of cleanup. Director Ward concluded her report with a recommendation that an abatement of the property be done.</p> <p>Following discussion, the Board directed staff to move forward with the necessary resolution to authorize the abatement.</p> <p>Code Compliance Officer Trina Seibert brought up another property in violation which had been previously discussed which has multiple RV's, junk vehicles, and piles of trash. Ms. Seibert discussed contacting Veterans Service since a Veteran is living on the property. Ms. Seibert concluded her report with a recommendation that an abatement of the property be done.</p> <p>The Board directed staff to move forward with the recommended abatement, and also recommended reaching out to Veterans Services for any assistance available to the property owner.</p>

<p>Executive Session: Discussion regarding Pending Litigation</p>	<p>Miscellaneous Reports/ Updates (Continued)</p> <p>At 1:53 PM Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with Prosecutor Quesnel, Personnel Director Randi Post, and Sheriff Bob Songer in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss pending litigation. It was noted that the Executive Session would last for five (5) minutes.</p> <p>The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 1:58 PM. No action was taken.</p>
<p>Natural Resources/Economic Development Director Dave McClure: Department Update</p>	<p>Department Update</p> <p>Attendance: Natural Resources/Economic Development Director Dave McClure, Economic Development Specialist Richard Foster and Prosecutor David Quesnel.</p> <p>Natural Resources/Economic Development Director Dave McClure noted that Program Coordinator Jake Anderson is out monitoring wells. Director McClure advised that he and Mr. Anderson will be meeting with the Department of Ecology November 7th to discuss High Prairie groundwater and Swale Creek and Rock Creek water quality plans. Director McClure advised that funding support letters to legislatures have been prepared for Board signature in support of Columbia River water supply program funding.</p> <p>Director McClure reported that the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee met and discussed the use of lodging tax dollars. An RFP (request for proposals) for tourism promotion services for the 2017 calendar year for use of lodging tax revenues has been prepared and will be advertised for two (2) weeks.</p> <p>Economic Development Specialist Richard Foster provided an update on workforce collaboration and training opportunities. A new supervisor and leadership training consortium is in the planning stage as well as training for the agricultural industry.</p> <p>Mr. Foster reported that a job fair for Klickitat County high school students is being organized for this coming spring with local companies representing industries ranging from wineries and vineyards to our local unmanned air vehicle (UAV) cluster recruiting workers.</p> <p>The Board held a discussion regarding proposed organizational changes within the Natural Resource/Economic Development Department and the use of “.09 dollars.” Director McClure advised that he will be consulting with the Economic Development Authority Board (EDA) and Personnel Director Post.</p>
<p>Personnel Director Randi Post: Discussion and review of employee satisfaction survey results and PEBB premium increases and surcharges</p>	<p>Attendance: Personnel Director Randi Post, Prosecutor David Quesnel, Public Works Director Gordon Kelsey, Planning Director Mo-chi Lindblad and Solid Waste/Health Director Kevin Barry.</p> <p>Personnel Director Randi Post provided a review of the employee job satisfaction survey results. The survey indicated that employees enjoy their jobs and serving the community, but many are disappointed in wages.</p> <p>Director Post recommended engaging Elected Officials and Department Heads to discuss possible options and a course of action. Director Post provided a brief overview of the upcoming open enrollment for health insurance.</p>

	<p>Department Update (Continued)</p> <p>The Board discussed PEBB premium increases and surcharges. Director Post advised that the voluntary life insurance will be moving to MetLife in 2017 and there will be substantial changes.</p> <p>Director Post provided an overview of the October 6th workshops with Elected Officials and Department Heads to discuss Department of Labor (DOL) salary mandates for Non-Exempt employees.</p> <p>The Board reviewed options to address the mandates as previously discussed. The Board reached consensus on the employee compensation plan to address the impact of the DOL salary threshold for Exempt employees. Grades 69 and up will remain Exempt and employees earning under \$47,476 must become a Non-Exempt employee, regardless if they pass the FLSA duties test for Exempt status.</p> <p>The Commissioners agreed there is a demand to look into an efficient long term solution.</p>
<p>Executive Session: To evaluate the performance of a public employee</p>	<p>At 3:07 P.M. Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with Prosecuting Attorney David Quesnel and Personnel Manager Randi Post, and Public Health Director Kevin Barry in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to evaluate the performance of a public employee. Chairman Sauter noted that the session would last for ten (10) minutes.</p> <p>The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 3:17 PM. No action was taken.</p>
	<p>Elected Official Report/Update</p>
<p>Prosecuting Attorney's Update</p>	<p>The Board had a discussion regarding the procedural sequence for the public hearing later in the evening in Dallesport.</p>
<p>Executive Session: Pending and potential litigation</p>	<p>At 3:42 PM Chairman Sauter announced that the Board would be convening into Executive Session with Prosecutor Quesnel in accordance with RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss pending litigation. It was noted that the Executive Session would last for five (5) minutes.</p> <p>The Board reconvened into Regular Session at 3:47 PM. No action was taken.</p>
	<p>Board Pending</p>
<p>Issues as determined by the Board of Commissioners</p>	<p>Solid Waste Director Kevin Barry reported that the Republic Landfill is at a record 172,000 tons of municipal solid waste over last year's year-to-date.</p> <p>Board correspondence noted for the Record as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Letters to Senator Jim Honeyford, Representative Norm Johnson, Senator Curtis King, and Representative Gina McCabe requesting funding for the Office of Columbia River which develops critical water supplies for Eastern Washington. * A letter to the Regional Director of the Economic Development Administration, A. Leonard Smith, certifying that the City of the Dalles and Klickitat County are joint grantees on the Columbia Gorge Regional Airport Flex Space Renovation Project.

<p>Adjournment (3:54 PM)</p>	<p>Approved (M/Johnston, S/Sizemore. Passed unanimously): There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 6:30 PM this evening, the time being set for a Public Hearing to consider Zone change application ZON2016-01; Applicant: William Maley. The hearing will be held at the Dallesport Community Center, Dallesport, WA located at 136 6th Avenue.</p>
	<p>Call to Order/Roll Call</p>
	<p>Public Hearing</p>
<p>Regular Meeting Extension: Public Hearing for Tuesday, October 11, 2016</p>	<p>Moved (M/Sizemore, S/Johnston. Passed Unanimously) Motion to continue the public hearing to Tuesday, November 8 at 2:30 PM under “Unfinished Business” during the afternoon session at the Courthouse in Goldendale, for further discussion and a possible decision by the Board. It was noted that the hearing continuation will remain open to oral and written public testimony.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter reconvened the meeting at 6:30 PM in Dallesport to hold a public hearing to consider a proposed rezone (Rezone Application ZON2016-01) of Block C of the original Plat of Dallesport. Commissioners present: Rex Johnston, David Sauter and Jim Sizemore.</p> <p>* An attendance sheet has been included as part of the official record with 71 individuals signing in; noting there were approximately 80 to 90 people present. The applicant William Maley and Tenneson Engineers Nick Kraemer and Ben Beseda were also present.</p> <p>Staff Present: Planning Director Mo-chi Lindblad, Senior Planner Joseph Sheridan and Clerk of the Board Lee Snell.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter opened the public hearing by welcoming everyone and introducing staff and advising of the procedural sequence which would be followed. Chairman Sauter requested a staff review.</p> <p>Senior Planner Joseph Sheridan advised that the proposal is to be considered per Section 2.23:2 of the Zoning Ordinance which allows a rezone to be considered per a “resolution of intent to rezone” which moves to ensure the public health, safety and welfare will be best served.</p> <p>The proposal is to rezone Block C of the original Plat of Dallesport dated June 4, 1946, including an approximate 8.46 acre parcel owned by William Maley and 26 individual lots encompassing the whole of Block C from Suburban Residential (SR- 20,000 square feet lot size) to Two-Family Residential District (R-2 – 6,000 square feet minimum lot size for single family residence; 7,000 square feet minimum lot size for two-family structure). The rezoning will facilitate the consideration of a Long Subdivision of Mr. Maley’s 8.46 acres into 19 - 6,000 – 7,000 square feet lots and remainder parent parcel for a total of 20 lots. The proposed project is located within Dallesport, Klickitat County, WA.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter opened the public hearing to public testimony, advising that the proponents would speak first.</p>

	<p>Public Hearing (Continued)</p> <p>Tenneson Engineers Nick Kraemer explained the project and how it meets the County's zoning ordinance. The subdivision will be served by the Dallesport Water District and the Dallesport waste water facility. Mr. Kraemer noted that high density is not precedent setting for Dallesport, the houses will be stick built single family homes similar to other homes in the area.</p> <p>Mr. Kraemer provided a growth projection for Dallesport, explaining that it will take 5 to 10 years to complete build out of Phase I and Phase II with a total of 41 units.</p> <p>Principal Engineer Ben Beseda advised that the rezone is the first step in a long process, which includes Phase I consisting of 19 lots. The original SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) review in 2007 covers Phase I, a new SEPA review will be required for Phase II. Mr. Beseda provided an overview of the SEPA criteria.</p> <p>Applicant William Maley corrected recent newspaper articles stating that he is not a California developer, noting that he is a snow bird who spends four (4) months a year in California. Mr. Maley stated that there would be deed restrictions to assure only stick built single family homes will be allowed in the subdivision.</p> <p>Chairman Sauter asked for testimony in opposition to the proposed rezone application.</p> <p>Below is a brief synopsis of the testimony offered, noting the Board of Commissioner minutes are action minutes. An audio record is on file as part of the official record.</p> <p>The following Dallesport area residents spoke in opposition to the proposed rezone: Darren Hancock, Nina Chelemedos, MaryAnn Pauline, Ross Lambert, Jack and Elain Kinchloe, Ron Sisseck, Donna Wallace Cheryl Pickett, William Morris, Ray Clough, Elain Lee, Wayne Madox, Dale Graybow, Jerry Bush, PJ Sisseck, Ann Slead, James Akita, Glen Pierce, Don McDermott, Roger Pierson and Less Donaldson. White Salmon resident Steve Crothers and Klickitat resident Lori Zoller spoke in support of the Dallesport residents.</p> <p>Concerns and objections to the proposed high density zoning were expressed. Dallesport Fire District No 6 provided written and oral testimony advising that a high density subdivision would be beyond the fire districts capabilities. Dallesport residents commented that a high density subdivision would drain law enforcement and fire district resources, create drainage issues, increase traffic and threaten the community's quality of life and peaceful rural atmosphere.</p> <p>Comments were also expressed regarding trust issues with Mr. Maley because it was claimed the conditions placed on his first development were not enforced by the County. There was also a claim from an individual that the County was not following the law, in that a new SEPA review was required and that the rezone proposal was a spot zone.</p> <p>Following public testimony, Chairman Sizemore thanked everyone for their participation and concluded the hearing.</p>
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Adjournment (8:15 PM)	There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned until 1:00 PM on Thursday, October 13, 2016.
	Call to Order/Roll Call
Regular Meeting Extension: Workshop Session for Thursday, October 13, 2016	Chairman David M. Sauter reconvened the meeting at 1:00 PM. Commissioners present: Rex Johnston, David Sauter and Jim Sizemore.
	Workshop Session Agenda
	1:00/5:00 - Budget & Technical Services Director Glen Chipman: 2017 Budget Workshops. The Board convened into scheduled budget workshops with various Elected Officials, Department Heads and Staff.
Adjournment	There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.

* Reference Document on File

Please Note: The Board of Commissioners' minutes are action minutes. An audio record is on file as part of the official record and available on Tape #2016-05, Tape Count 0035 through 0130.


 Approved: David M. Sauter, Chairman of the Board

10-25-16
 Date