

**ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS - MINUTES OF MEETING
REGULAR SESSION - SEPTEMBER 17, 2001**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on September 17, 2001, at 9:30 a.m. in the Island County Courthouse Annex, Hearing Room, Coupeville, Wa., with William F. Thorn, Chairman; Mike Shelton, Member; and Wm. L. McDowell, Member, present.

VOUCHERS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

The following vouchers/warrants were approved for payment by unanimous motion of the Board: **Voucher**
(War.) # 106,830 - 107,038 \$466,966.80.

The Board reviewed and discussed a voucher which totaled \$10,000 replenishing Treasurer's Trust Fund for a check written to US Postal Service (Pitney Bowes) for the Treasurer's office, expensed on two budget lines. Treasurer's Trust is a holding account for various monies owed to others. The concern focused on the issue of paying out-of-pocket expenses such as postage, which could be an improper practice because using the trust fund in this manner avoids the budget process: once the Treasurer pays for the expenses out of the Trust Fund, the Board has little option other than to replace the amount in that fund. The Board agreed to look further into this matter and asked that the Budget Director provide further information.

Veterans Assistance Fund: [emergency financial assistance to certain eligible veterans; the names and specific circumstances are maintained confidential]. By unanimous motion, the Board approved Claim VI-20 in the amount of \$1,357.62 as recommended by the Veterans Assistance Committee.

HEALTH CONTRACT #HS-11-01 SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT-CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Board, by unanimous motion, approved Health Department Contract #HS-11-01 with Catholic Community Services for substance abuse treatment for contract period July 1, 2001 – June 30, 2003, in the amount of \$543,675.00 to provide chemical dependency treatment services for Island County residents.

RESOLUTION #C-119-01 SUPPORTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND CONDEMNING COWARDLY AND MURDEROUS ACTIONS OF TERRORISTS

Commissioners Thorn, Shelton and McDowell expressed grief and anger over the terrorist actions on September 11, 2001, and by unanimous motion, adopted a Resolution supporting the President of the United States and Condemning Cowardly and Murderous Actions of Terrorists.

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

**IN THE MATTER OF SUPPORTING THE }
PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES } RESOLUTION #C-119-01
AND CONDEMNING COWARDLY AND }
MURDEROUS ACTIONS OF }
TERRORISTS }**

WHEREAS, on September 11, 2001, the United States was suddenly and brutally attacked by foreign terrorists, and;

WHEREAS, these terrorists hijacked and destroyed four civilian aircraft, crashing two aircraft into the towers of the World Trade Center in New York City, and a third aircraft into the Pentagon outside Washington, DC, and;

WHEREAS, thousands of innocent Americans were killed and injured as a result of these attacks, including the passengers and crew of the four aircraft, workers in the World Trade Center and in the Pentagon, rescue workers, and bystanders, and;

WHEREAS, these cowardly acts were by far the deadliest terrorist attacks ever launched against the United States, and, by targeting symbols of American strength and success, clearly were intended to intimidate our Nation at an attempt to weaken its resolve, and;

WHEREAS, these horrific events have affected all Americans. We recognize the importance of carrying on with the regular activities. Truly, terrorism cannot be allowed to break the spirit of the American people, and the best way to show these cowards that they have truly failed is for the people of the United States to stand tall and proud.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Island County Commissioners, Island County, Washington, strongly condemns the cowardly and murderous actions of these terrorists, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Island County Commissioners, Island County, Washington, supports the President of the United States as he works with his national security team to defend against additional attacks, and find the perpetrators to bring them to swift justice, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Island County Commissioners, Island County, Washington, expresses its grief and anger over the terrorist events of Tuesday, September 11, 2001, and recommends to the citizens of Island County, Washington, they assist in the aftermath of this tragedy and support relief efforts by giving blood at the nearest available blood donation center.

ADOPTED this 17th day of September, 2001.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

William F. Thorn, Chairman

Mike Shelton, Member

Wm. L. McDowell, Member

ATTEST:

Elaine Marlow, Clerk of the Board

BICC 01-617

ONE YEAR EXTENSION & EXEMPTION FROM COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT - #RM-PD-01-0086 - CRAIG PLATT

Jane Koetje, Administrator, Public Defenders Department, submitted for the Board's approval, a one year extension of Professional Services Contract with Crag Platt, and asked that the Board approve the contract extension, along with exemption from competitive solicitation requirements, ICC 2.29.030(B) (12), for reasons cited in her memo of September 12, 2001. With the exception of Paragraph 12, Payment, all other terms and conditions of the contract and prior extensions remain in force. Paragraph 12 agrees to appropriate funding and pay the contractor an increase of \$24,000, for a total amount of \$337,026.00 during calendar year 2002.

The Board agreed, and approved the one year extension of Professional Services Contract #RM-PD-01-0086 with Craig Platt in the amount of \$337,026.00, along with approval of exemption from competitive solicitation as requested per ICC 2.29.030 (B) (12).

**ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT [AMENDMENT]- WHIDBEY ISLAND
ANIMAL CONTROL - #RM-GSA-97-0028**

Betty Kemp, Director, GSA, presented for approval, Animal Control Contract with Whidbey Island Animal Control #RM-GSA-97-0028, effective September 1, 2001. The contract has been revised to provide indemnification for actions which may arise from Contractor's actions, errors and omissions while performing law enforcement activities under the Island County Sheriff's Limited Commission. Payment for services performed are in the sum of \$5,100 per month beginning September 1, 2001.

The Board, on unanimous motion, approved Animal Control Contract with Whidbey Island Animal Control #RM-GSA-97-0028, effective September 1, 2001.

**CZM310 GRANT AGREEMENT #G0200077 - NORTHWEST STRAITS PROJECT – MRC
ADMINISTRATION [RM-EXT-01-0085]**

The Board, by unanimous motion, approved CZM310 Grant Agreement No. G0200077 between the State Department of Ecology and Island County for the Northwest Straits Project, MRC Administration [RM-EXT-01-0085] in the amount of \$10,000 for the period 7/1/01 - 6/30/02.

PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS

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There were no members in the audience indicating a desire to speak about subjects of concern or interest, or items not already set aside for a public hearing.

Considering the horrific events of September 11, 2001, Commissioner McDowell took the opportunity to read the following:

Psalm 27, verses 1-3 and 13:

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is stronghold
of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evil doers assail me to devour my flesh, my adversaries and foes,
they shall stumble and fall.

Though an army encamp against me, my heart shall not fear; though
war rise up against me, yet I will be confident.

I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord in the land of the living.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS FROM AUDITOR & TREASURER

Auditor's Report. Suzanne Sinclair, Island County Auditor, submitted the Auditor's Financial Report for the period ending August, 2001. The Commissioners were pleased to see the new line item added to the Auditor's Report which helps to understand the difference in investment income as the accrual figure on the Auditor's Report that makes now the two figures roughly coincide. Commissioner Shelton commented that it would appear this year the County may come close to cover its expenses with income.

Treasurer's Report The Treasurer's Report for current expenses statement of cash operations for the period ending August 31, 2001, was provided under cover memorandum dated September 7, 2001. Maxine Sauter, Island County Treasurer, provided at this time amended cover memo and report to show a correction made to the interest income figure reflecting an additional \$36,457.00, which had been posed in error to the Treasurer Service fees. Investment interest has done quite well, but the Interest rates are expected to drop drastically tomorrow.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

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The Board met in Executive Session at 11:30 a.m. as allowed under RCW 42. 30.110(1)(i) to discuss with legal counsel pending litigation. Chairman Thorn announced that he did not anticipate that the session would last beyond 15 minutes, and did not expect to make any announcement afterwards in open public session.

BUDGET WORKSHOP – PUBLIC HEALTH

The Board met this afternoon beginning at 1:30 p.m. in Budget Workshop to review Public Health budgets. Notes taken during Budget Workshop will be placed on file in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners and the Budget Director.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m. on

conclusion of Executive Session. The Board will meet in special session on September 20 at 9:30 a.m., September 21 at 1:30 p.m., and September 24, to conduct budget workshops. Notes taken during Budget Workshop will be placed on file in the Office of the Board of County Commissioners and the Budget Director. The next regular Board meeting will be on September 24, 2001 beginning at 11:30 a.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

William F. Thorn, Chairman

Mike Shelton, Member

Wm. L. McDowell, Member

ATTEST: _____
Elaine Marlow, Clerk of the Board