

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING APRIL 17, 2006**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on April 17, 2006 beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the Island County Courthouse Annex, Hearing Room, 1 N. E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Coupeville, Wa. Wm. L. McDowell, Chairman; William J. Byrd, Member, and Mike Shelton, Member, were present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance. By unanimous motion, the Board approved the minutes from previous meetings as follows: April 3, 2006 Regular Session; April 10, 2006 Regular Session; and April 12, 2006 Special Session.

**VOUCHERS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS**

By unanimous motion, the Board approved the payroll dated April 14, 2006, and the following Vouchers /warrants for payment: Voucher (War.) #236106-236365.....\$663,087.04.

**HIRING REQUESTS & PERSONNEL ACTIONS**

As presented by Dick Toft, Human Resources Director, the Board by unanimous motion, approved the following two personnel action authorizations, both effective April 17, 2006:

<b>Dept.</b>	<b>PAA #</b>	<b>Description/Position No.</b>	<b>Action</b>
Treasurer	052/06	Deputy Treasurer/Foreclosure/Bankruptcy .60 fte #2103.00	Replacement
Clerk	054/06	Deputy Clerk I .60 fte #503.01	Replacement

Prosecutor.

Greg Banks, Island County Prosecuting Attorney, brought forth a personnel issue which came about today as the result of termination of employment of the chief criminal deputy. The position is a confidential employee serving in the second in command position and it would be extremely disruptive to the functioning of the Prosecutor's Office while both were engaged in an election battle. Inasmuch as this is a key position in the office, he asked that the Board give authorization to begin looking to recruit a new chief criminal deputy. There is a fairly substantial amount of pay-out, but because there has been a vacancy for most of this year at a felony level position the salary budget is under budget. .

Consensus of the Board was to consider the matter more fully during the April 19 Staff Session, allowing budget dollar figures to be reviewed by the Budget Director. In the meantime, Mr. Toft will begin preparing the necessary paperwork.

**MONROE LANDING ROAD PROJECT - TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION EASEMENT**

As recommended by Bill Oakes, Public Works Director, the Board by unanimous motion approved Temporary Construction Easement #PW-0620-31 (mutual benefit) between Island County and John R. & Lynette R. Machinski; Parcel 064-0570; Sec. 21, Twp 32N, R 1E., associated with the Monroe Landing Road Project, CRP 02-03, Work Order 356.

**CORRECTION TO PURCHASE ORDER #7132**

As presented by Mr. Oakes, the Board by unanimous motion approved corrected Purchase Order #7132 – Potters Industries, Inc., Work Order 43 for Glass Beads for Waterborne Traffic Paint purchased off

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Washington State Contract #01301, in the amount of \$33,316.55, instead of \$31,289.17 approved April 10, 2006.

**PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS APPROVED - CAMANO ANNEX REMODEL**

Dan Sherk, Facilities Director, presented for approval Plans and Specifications for remodeling the Planning and Health Department areas at the Camano Annex. The remodel is currently estimated to cost \$20,000 and will be a Small Works Roster project. Funding for the project is included in the 2006 adopted REET 1 (Capital Facilities) budget.

By unanimous motion the Board approved the Plans and Specifications for the Camano Annex Remodeling as presented.

**EXEMPTION FROM THE COMPETITIVE SOLICITATION PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE FOR SKAGIT VALLEY COLLEGE PARENT TO PARENT SERVICES IN ISLAND COUNTY**

As requested in a memorandum dated April 12, 2006 from Tim L. McDonald, Health Services Director, the Board by unanimous motion approved the request for Exemption from the Competitive Solicitation Procurement Procedure under ICC 2.29.030(B)(12), for Skagit Valley College to continue to provide Parent to Parent services in Island County for this biennium.

**NEW APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE #083207-3F**

Having received a recommendation of approval from the Island County Sheriff's Office and Health Department, the Board by unanimous motion approved 3 Cats Corner Café, 5603 S. Bayview Rd. Ste. B, Langley by Robert and Gina Felton dba The Star Store, subject to the recommendations of the Island County Planning & Community Development Department:

1. Obtain appropriate approval/agreement with the property owner for occupying the portion of the building complex
2. Obtain a Certificate of Occupancy from this office.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS FROM AUDITOR & TREASURER****Auditor's Report**

Suzanne Sinclair, Island County Auditor, submitted the Auditor's financial report dated 4/15/06 for the period ending March 31, 2006, pointing out that overall, percentages are very close to where they should be at this time of the year - 25%. Those percentages shown at higher than 25% tend to be related to receipt of State and/or Federal grants.

**Treasurer's Report**

Linda Riffe, Treasurer, submitted the Treasurer's financial report dated 4/13/06 for the same period. She had no specific comments of note or concerns, early in the year and figures are close on target to where they should be at this time. *[Reports on file with the Clerk of the Board]*

**PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS**

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Steven Selby, Greenbank, who served as the County's Chief Criminal Deputy for over 7-1/2 years, reported his employment had been terminated this morning. He announced his candidacy for the position of Prosecuting Attorney for Island County, and the article in the newspaper over the weekend, as well as his web site, state the reasons why he intends to do so. He felt that the termination was directly related to his announcement to run for office, fired for exercising his right to free speech under the First Amendment of the Constitution of the United States. He did not believe the needs of the citizens were not taken into account, and he wanted to set the record straight with regard to what has happened in the office and the motivation for firing him.

Greg Banks, Langley, Island County Prosecutor, missed the beginning of Mr. Selby's comments, but suggested he was running a campaign, and believed Mr. Selby anticipated the termination just as he anticipated making the speech. As Prosecutor, Mr. Banks advised the Board that he still needs to run the office and needs a "second in command"; the office can handle the trial work.

There being no further business to come before the Board at this time, the meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m. The next regular meeting of the Board is scheduled for April 24, 2006 beginning at 11:00 a.m.

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

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Wm. L. McDowell, Chairman

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William J. Byrd, Member

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Mike Shelton, Member

ATTEST:

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Elaine Marlow  
Clerk of the Board