

**BOARD OF ISLAND COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES OF MEETING
OCTOBER 5, 2009 – REGULAR SESSION**

The Board of Island County Commissioners (including Diking Improvement District #4) met in Regular Session on October 5, 2009 beginning at 10:00 a.m. in the Board of County Commissioners Hearing Room (Room # 102B), Annex Building, 1 N.E. 6th Street, Coupeville, Washington. John Dean, Chairman and Helen Price Johnson, Member were present. The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC INPUT OR COMMENTS

Paul Thompson, 2270 Soundview Drive, Langley. Mr. Thompson, in preparation for the upcoming public hearing concerning the subject of prohibition of gunfire at Deer Lagoon, presented the Board with a research paper he prepared concerning shotgun ballistics. *(Hand-out on file with the Clerk of the Board)*

CONSENT AGENDA

By unanimous motion the Board approved the Consent Agenda as follows with the exception of item 6, *2009 Conservation Futures Fund Funding Agreement with Whidbey Camano Land Trust for the Skagit Near Shore Project*, moved to the Regular Agenda for consideration:

ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS, PAYROLL, VOUCHERS, PAYMENT OF BILLS

Vouchers (War) #s 319879-320114	\$145,316.36
Electronic Fund Transfers.....	\$ 3,761.64
Payroll dated.....	September 30, 2009

MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

Work Sessions: July 1 and July 8, 2009

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter to Representative Rick Larsen in support of re-authorizing the Northwest Straits Marine Conservation Initiative

GSA PROPERTY MANAGEMENT

Christensen Building Lease Addendum #2 (RM-GSA-09-0212)

HUMAN RESOURCES

Personnel Action Authorizations

<u>Department</u>	<u>PAA #</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Position #</u>	<u>Action</u>	<u>Eff. Date</u>
Prosecuting Attorney	092/09	Deputy Prosecuting Attorney II	1805.00	Replacement	10/05/2009
Prosecuting Attorney	093/09	Victim Witness Coordinator	1811.00	Replacement	10/05/2009

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Prosecuting Attorney	094/09	ParaLegal/Legal Assistant I	1813.01	Personnel Action (Increase Hours)	10/01/2009
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PUBLIC HEALTH

Contract Collection Agreement with Whidbey Island Bank for On-Site Repair Financial Assistance Program (Durham)

PUBLIC WORKS

County Roads

Public Hearing Scheduled – October 26, 2009 – 2:15 p.m.

Franchise #349 –Transfer of existing sewer transport line Franchise #290 & 290(1) [Socha Community Drainfield] to Westgate Mobile Homes, Inc.; Plat of Rolling Hills; Secs. 20/21, Twp 32N, R 1E. (RM-PW-0820-43).

SHERIFF

Grant Agreement with U.S. Department of Justice Community Oriented Policing Services program for technology and computers for Sheriff's office; Contract No.: 2009CKWX0187; Amount: \$80,000

REGULAR AGENDA

GSA Conservation Futures

**2009 CONSERVATION FUTURES FUND FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH WHIDBEY
CAMANO LAND TRUST FOR THE SKAGIT NEAR SHORE PROJECT**

By unanimous motion the Board approved authorizing the Chair to sign the 2009 Conservation Futures Fund Funding Agreement with the Whidbey Camano Land Trust for the Skagit Near Shore Project upon inclusion of Attachment A. Amount: \$225,000 (RM-GSA-09-0405)

Planning & Community Development

**SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE C-51-09 (PLG-006-09)
IN THE MATTER OF RE-ADOPTING AN INTERIM OFFICIAL CONTROL
THAT REGULATES THE USE OF PROPERTY WITHIN THE
FREELAND NON-MUNICIPAL URBAN GROWTH AREA**

Mr. Pederson, Planning & Community Development Director, requested that the Board defer scheduling the ordinance for public hearing until October 12 to enable staff an opportunity to update the Findings of Fact and actual body of the ordinance.

By unanimous motion the Board approved tabling to October 12 the scheduling of the public hearing on Ordinance C-51-09 (PLG-006-09) In the Matter of Re-Adopting an Interim Official Control that Regulates the Use of Property within the Freeland Non-Municipal Urban Growth Area.

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PUBLIC HEARINGS

Planning & Community Development

**ZAA 012/07 BIERSCHENK: APPLICATION TO REZONE A 12.5 ACRE PARCEL
FROM RURAL TO RURAL CENTER, LOCATED ON
SOUTH WHIDBEY R32924-045-3370**

Chairman Dean opened the public hearing to consider ZAA 012/07 Bierschenk as scheduled.

Mr. Pederson indicated that the agent for applicant requested that the public hearing be continued to November 9, 2009 at 10:20 a.m.

By unanimous motion the Board approved continuing the public hearing on ZAA 012/07 Bierschenk to November 9, 2009 at 10:20 a.m. as requested.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Commissioner Price Johnson

Clinton Sign

At 7:00 p.m. on Thursday the Commissioner will host a public information meeting concerning the placement of the Clinton sign. A number of people involved over the last four years, during the entire Whidbey Isle Way project, plan to participate.

Miscellaneous

Commissioner Price Johnson last week attended the Housing Washington Conference in Spokane. The conference, primarily, was an opportunity to learn what the Board should do in Island County to address the growing housing needs in the community.

Chairman Dean announced that the Board would meet at 1:15 p.m. for continued budget workshops with Senior Services of Island County, Oak Harbor Senior Services, Camano Senior Services Association, Northwest Regional Council, Impaired Driving Panel of Island County, and other organizations in the County that in past years have received funds through the County's budget process.

The Board recessed at 10:20 a.m., reconvening in budget workshop at 1:15 p.m.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Budget Workshop began as scheduled at 1:15 p.m. Budget workshop times are approximate and may be adjusted. Budget notebooks for Board members' use during budget workshops prepared by the Budget office are based on M&O and capital amounts at current levels. Department Heads and Elected Officials during budget workshops are to comment on requested increases and provide a brief explanation for the request. Budget narratives accompanied each department/office budget. Proposed budget and supplemental requests are taken under

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advisement by the Board with no final decisions expected as a result of budget workshops. Hand-outs are on file with the Clerk of the Board.

The following organizations, those who receive funds through the County's budget process, each spoke about their organization's accomplishments for 2009 and respective goals and objectives for 2010. Their budget request for 2010 and any additional items of interest follow.

Senior Services of Island County

Presentation by: Farrell Fleming, Executive Director

Mr. Fleming said that given the County's financial situation he is not asking for more funding but rather, requested the same amount provided in 2009 (\$143,616). If in mid-year the County realizes additional funds, he asked that his organization be considered for additional support.

Two projects will come forth in 2010 for which Mr. Fleming requests County support, neither of which will cost money but instead cost time: 1) Project Life Saver (support from the County in terms of the Sheriff and DEM); and 2) a formal grant request from the County for a community/senior center on South Whidbey, a 20,000 square foot facility, costing about \$6 million (1/3 in donations; 1/3 from grants; 1/3 from a capital campaign).

Oak Harbor Senior Services

Presentation by: Mike McIntyre, Administrator

In consideration of the local economic conditions and related budget actions of Island County and the City of Oak Harbor, Mr. McIntyre requested no increase in funding from that provided in 2009 (\$95,707).

Camano Senior Services Association

Presentation by: Karla Jacks, Executive Director

Because the Camano Senior Services Association understands that Island County is faced with budget deficits, Ms. Jacks requested no increase in funds from what was received in 2009 (\$60,688)

Northwest Regional Council

Ms. Marlow indicated that the Northwest Regional Council proposed a small increase of \$1,979 which trends with other year's increases. The additional funding will help support Northwest LEARN.

Impaired Driving Impact Panel of Island County

Presentation by: JoAnn Hellmann, Executive Director

IDIPIC requested that the County pay for 12 of the 24 panels in Oak Harbor and 6 of the 12 panels in Freeland, a cost of \$3,600, the same amount provided in 2009.

Ebey's Landing National Historical Reserve

Presentation by: Mark Preiss, Reserve Manager; Trust Board Members: Jan Pickard, Al Sherman, Lisa Meserole, Marilyn Clay

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The Reserve requested \$20,000 from the County to support its 2010 operations budget, \$10,000 more than that provided in 2009. The additional funding would help with the implementation of the Design Review Standards, training programs, workshops, and Farm Cluster Preservation project.

Island County Historical Society

Presentation by: Rick Castellano, Executive Director

Mr. Castellano said the Historical Society was hopeful that the Board would secure the funds needed to help keep the Museum doors open at a 2010 level similar to, or greater than, that provided in 2009 (\$27,500).

Economic Development Council

Presentation by: Sharon Hart, Executive Director

Even though the Economic Development Council is expecting a 20% cut in State funds, it chooses to hold the line in requesting the same as that received last year (\$67,000).

Rural County Sales Tax and Tourism Funds

Presentation by: Chet Ross, President, Freeland Chamber of Commerce; Sharon Hart, Executive Director, Economic Development Council

Ms. Marlow, Ms. Hart, and Mr. Ross explained the differences between the two committees and the purpose of each. Also of note:

- On the forefront is the fact that the Lodging Advisory Committee (the first 2%), is in the process of revising its bylaws and a recommendation is forthcoming.
- Approximately \$114,000 should be available to the Lodging Advisory Committee for distribution.
- Once the Joint Advisory Board (the second 2%) establishes its budget for 2010 the budget will be submitted to Ms. Marlow.

There being no further business to come before the Board the meeting adjourned at 4:15 p.m. The Board will meet next in Regular Session on October 12, 2009 beginning at 10:00 a.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
ISLAND COUNTY, WASHINGTON

John Dean, Chairman

ATTEST:

Helen Price Johnson, Member

Elaine Marlow
Clerk of the Board

Angie Homola, Member: Absent