Board of Okanogan County Commissioners Meeting

Sept. 19, 2016

Present

Sheilah Kennedy (SK - BOCC)

Jim Detro (JD - BOCC)

Ray Campbell (RC - BOCC)

Perry Huston (PH - Planning, Administration)

Content: VSP; Subdivision Ordinance; Title 20 hearing; Staffing change; Oroville/Tonasket EMS; Capital Facilities; Ameresco/Courthouse energy upgrades; BOCC Work Plan.

Update Planning - 2:30

The Planning Committee Meeting Scheduled to start at 1:30 p.m. was rescheduled to 2:30 due to a Tele/Video Conference re: the Superior Court the commissioners had to attend.

Voluntary Stewardship Program Maps

Mr. Huston reported that they have been working on the maps and is almost completed. As far as he was able to relate, it will be dependent upon where the Critical Areas intersect with Agriculture Activity. The ordinance gives the commissioners permission to intervene. The biggest question Mr. Huston appeared to be concerned about is how success will be measured by the state. The vesting date set by the legislature was July of 2011. There was to be a snapshot in time of the areas concerned and then a report on what the county has done to provide adequate protection for both the critical and agricultural areas. He has requested the drafts that Chelan and Thurston Counties have, they are both rough drafts. Conservation easements may be used as a measure of success, critical areas more easily measured than agricultural activities. It lays out roughly like this;

- 1. Intersect
- 2. Measure
- 3. Impact
- 4. Report

Mr. Huston also reported that a new District 2 representative is needed for the local committee. Several agencies have been invited to attend Conservation meetings but are not seated as members. Mr. Huston reported that these individuals are fluid in their attendance but does not see one stepping up to fill open spot.

Executive Session requested by Mr. Huston Commissioners agreed approximately 20 minute break in meeting. Employee Performance Review

Subdivision Ordinance:

Upon return from executive session the meeting continued with discussion of Subdivision issues. Mr. Huston stated that an exemption cannot be done on a subdivision without going back to planning board. Commissioners requested that plan be completed by November of this year. Mr. Huston discussed that SEPA is an option for appeal but whether or not an appeal will be accepted is difficult to assess at this point.

Title 20 (permitting, etc.)

There will be a Title 20 public meeting next Monday the 29th at the Commissioners Meeting Room.

Staffing change:

Mr. Huston stated he will be down one position by the end of next week and at this time does not have an individual in mind.

Administrative Update

Radio Purchase

The radio purchase for jail resolution has been submitted to Sheriff's office, the clerk reported she had not received the resolution back or had any communication from the office regarding the resolution. Mr. Huston said he would contact jail administer to check on status

Oroville/Tonasket E.M.S. Update

Problems, Oroville: Mr. Huston stated that he had reviewed all of the inter-local agreements that they had been able to locate with Oroville E.M.S. and are missing ones from 2007, 2009, and 2012. Commissioner requested that a letter be sent to Oroville City Council requesting complete termination of delivery of any type of service by the City of Oroville. The City Council continues to bill Okanogan County for a half clerk position even though no services are being provided since Lifeline has assumed responsibility.

Tonasket: Mr. Huston said he has not received any quotes for the work that is required for the Tonasket E.M.S. building. County is still in interim agreement with LifeLine. They have terminated the agreement that was in place for a satellite phone. Some other housekeeping details left for Tonasket but other than quotes everything is in place.

Capital Facilities Update

Bathroom at Fairgrounds, Mr. Huston would like to move \$20,000.00 of the grandstand money to the bathroom project to keep it going then if needed go back to the Berg foundation for more money for the grandstands. Commissioners appeared to agree.

There have been two bids returned for the Grandstand project both appear to be appropriate and Mr. Huston will review the credentials of the two candidates.

Ameresco/Courthouse Energy Upgrades

The contractor is now going to attempt to use a bladder on new site to see if it will control flow of water and work for the new energy plan for the courthouse. Basically after two dry wells they have now found water and have to test the system to see if it works.

BOCC Work Plan

Completing Oroville and Tonasket E.M.S Plans.

Employee Evaluations in timely manner.

Grandstand and Bathroom Projects at Fairgrounds

USFS/County road decisions.