

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF MAY 14, 2013**

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Tom Mielke, David Madore, and Steve Stuart, Chair, present.

10:00 A.M.

PROCLAMATION

Washington State University Master Gardener Volunteer Week

Commissioner Stuart read a proclamation proclaiming May 13 – 19, 2013 as “Washington State University Master Gardener Volunteer Week” in Clark County, Washington and urged all citizens to join in this special observance. Carolyn Gordon, Coordinator of the WSU Master Gardener Volunteers, accepted and said a few words. Rebecca Martin, Master Gardener, also spoke.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Reverend Duane Sich, Friends of the Carpenter, delivered the invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

Stuart read consent agenda items #1 & #2. Mielke inquired more about consent agenda item #2. Pete Capell, Public Works Director, responded and also spoke on consent agenda items #3 & #4. Further discussion ensued.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT AGENDA

1. Carolyn Crain inquired more on consent agenda item #2. Stuart responded.

ACTION: Moved by Mielke to **APPROVE** consent agenda items #1 - #5. Madore seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Al Hayward proposed the BPA power lines be put underground.
2. Deb Gottlieb spoke about her concerns with Benton.
3. Pauline Warren spoke about the conduct of last Tuesday’s hearing. She stated her opposition of light rail.
4. Judy Tiffany stated her concerns with the hiring process with Benton and stated she was not afraid to use the light rail.
5. Ralph Schmidt spoke about his concerns with the current legislators and the corruption. He also spoke about his concerns with Benton working both jobs.

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6. Heather Limberg stated her concerns with moving public comment to the end and disfranchising the voices of the public.
7. Joe Levesque spoke jobs / growth in the county.
8. Jim Kinney spoke about the invocation and stated his concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting.
9. Jack Davis stated his concerns with recent actions from Mielke and Madore. He also spoke about the invocation. He also stated his concerns with hiring Benton.
10. Unidentified woman stated her concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting and stated they need to follow the rules at all times.
11. Margaret Tweet stated her support of having public comment moved to the end to handle county business first. She spoke about the special C-TRAN meeting.
12. Joy Overstreet stated her concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting. She also stated her support for light rail.
13. Ed Rottledge stated his concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting.
14. Carol Levanen stated her support of having public comment moved to the end to handle county business first. She also spoke about the hiring process of Benton.
15. Patrick Migas stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton.
16. Nan Henriksen, Former Mayor of Camas, stated cronyism is not a norm in local government elsewhere.
17. Celia Louderback stated her concerns with the invocation.
18. Michelle Wallard stated her concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting.
19. Richard Haig spoke about the investigation of Environmental Services.
20. Marie Scottablie stated her concerns with the hiring of Benton and asked for them to rescind the job offer.
21. Gordon Gamble stated his concerns with moving the public comment to the end of meeting.
22. Josephine Wentzel stated her concerns with Commissioner Stuart and wishes the Board would come together for the greater good.
23. Terry Allen stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton.
24. Yvonne Andrews stated her concerns with the hiring of Benton and his connection with ALEC.
25. Dick Sohn stated his support of Madore and Mielke's actions and praised Benton's hiring.
26. Christian Berrigan stated his support of Madore and Mielke's actions and praised Benton's hiring.
27. Royce Pollard, Former Mayor of Vancouver, stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton and spoke about a recall.

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28. Don Orange stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton.
29. Glenna Rose Bowman spoke about the invocation. She also spoke the public comment process. She also stated her concerns with the hiring process regarding Benton.
30. Dave Rogers spoke about his concerns with the roads in his neighborhood. He also spoke about the public comment process. He also spoke about his concerns with them cutting fees.
31. John Matson spoke about the invocation and read some quotes. He also spoke about Benton.
32. Jim Eversaul spoke about separation of church and state. He stated his concerns with the financial connections between Mielke and Benton.
33. Hannah Perez spoke about fees. She also commented on moving the public comment and invocation.
34. Linda Greep stated her concern with moving public comment to the end of the meeting. She also stated her concerns with the hiring process regarding Benton.
35. Steven Fairchild spoke about the invocation, hiring of Benton, and light rail.
36. Gretchen Starke spoke about fees and the hiring of Benton.
37. Eric Hale stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton and the hiring process.
38. Dr. Peter Williams stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton and the hiring process. He stated he would like the Board to rescind Benton's appointment.
39. Cindy Dobbs inquired more about the hiring of Benton.
40. Sunrise O'Mahoney spoke about public comment time.
41. Dave Ratky stated his concerns with the hiring of Benton and the hiring process.
42. Deborah Wilson stated her concerns with recent actions from Mielke and Madore.
43. Rusty Vorant spoke about removing TIF Fees.
44. Carolyn Crain spoke about public comment and working together.
45. Larry Patella commented about public participation
46. Milada Allen spoke about giving away public property.
47. Penny Ross spoke about the conduct of the meeting and spoke about parks.
48. Ed Barnes spoke about the hiring of Benton.
49. Robin White spoke about fee waivers and about parks.
50. Joe Lithauer spoke about the hiring of Benton, fee holiday, public comment time, and the replacement of Bill Barron.
51. Dan Poleti spoke about a meeting he had with the Assessor, Peter Van Nortwick and spoke about park fees.
52. Craig Dewey spoke about last week's meeting and spoke about the hiring of Benton and the hiring process. He also spoke about the BOCC Rules of Practices.

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COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Mielke stated he enjoyed listening to the people. He spoke about mis-facts mentioned in the meeting.

Madore thanked everyone for the feedback. He apologized for moving the public comment time to the end last week and stated he is always there to listen. He stated he would not be moving public comment.

Stuart commented about the recent feedback from the public and recognized this fellow Commissioners.

Hearing Adjourned

2:00 P.M. PUBLIC BID OPENING

Present at bid opening: Rebecca Tilton, Board of Commissioners Office; Mike Westerman and Beth Balogh, General Services-Purchasing Department.

BID OPENING CRP 311122

Dayton Bridge #75 ~ NE Pup Creek Road @ NE Cedar Creek Road

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening CRP 311122 – Dayton Bridge #75 ~ NE Pup Creek Road @ NE Cedar Creek Road. Mike Westerman, General Services-Purchasing, read bids and stated it was the Purchasing Department's intention to award CRP 311122 on May 28, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners hearing room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center.

BID OPENING CRP 323122

Countywide Overlays (Hot Mix Asphalt)

Held a public hearing for Bid Opening CRP 323122 – Countywide Overlays (Hot Mix Asphalt). Mike Westerman, General Services-Purchasing, read bids and stated it was the Purchasing Department's intention to award Bid CRP 323122 on May 28, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners hearing room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center.

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ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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