

## BOARD OF MASON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' PROCEEDINGS

January 13, 2015

1. Call to Order – The Chairperson called the regular meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Tom Davis led the flag salute.
3. Roll Call – Present: Commissioner District 1 - Randy Neatherlin; Commissioner District 2 – Tim Sheldon; Commissioner District 3 – Terri Jeffreys.
4. Correspondence and Organizational Business
  - 4.1 Correspondence
    - 4.1.1 Washington State Liquor Control Board submitted a special occasion license application for North Mason Music Booster Club.
    - 4.1.2 Mark Carlson and Mel Williamson submitted applications for the Transportation Improvement Program Citizen Advisory Panel.
    - 4.1.3 Dinah Lee Griffey submitted an application for the Housing Authority Board.
  - 4.2 Cmmr. Jeffreys read the news release regarding Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council.

Ross Gallagher spoke about the Lewis-Mason-Thurston Area Agency Aging.
5. Open Forum for Citizen Input –

Tom Davis spoke about the refunds that the Treasurer is giving to property owners. He said only one was regarding the Board of Equalization. He is concerned that these other refunds weren't questioned. He feels like he is in the dark.

Cmmr. Sheldon said it is state law and it's geared to senior citizens who are low income.

Tom asked if the applicant qualifications are verified.

Cmmr. Neatherlin said they will get some more information from the Treasurer.
6. Adoption of Agenda - **Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to adopt the agenda as published. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**
7. Approval of Minutes - December 16, 2014 regular meeting minutes.

**Cmmr. Sheldon/Jeffreys moved and seconded to approve the December 16, 2015 regular meeting minutes. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye.**
8. Approval of Action Agenda:
  - 8.1 Approval for the Chair to sign real estate multiple listing forms to facilitate marketing and selling Mason County surplus real estate.
  - 8.2 Approval for the Chair to sign the renewal application from Chamber Insurance Agency Service to obtain a renewal quote for Underground Storage Tank Pollution Liability Insurance coverage for 4/21/2015 through 4/21/2016.
  - 8.3 Approval of the Veterans Assistance Fund applications for Utilities \$640.29 and Housing \$2100.00 for a total of \$2740.29 as recommended by the Veterans Assistance Committee.
  - 8.4 Approval of Warrants:

Claims Clearing Fund	Warrant #s 8017257-8017386	\$427,095.51
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  - 8.5 Approval of the sub-contract with Educational Services District #113 for the 2014-2015 School year to teach project SUCCESS in the Shelton School District and to authorize the Chair to sign the contract. Project SUCCESS is "Schools Using Coordinated Community Efforts to Strengthen Students" and is an evidence based program.

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**Cmmr. Jeffreys/Sheldon moved and seconded to approve action agenda items 8.1 through 8.5. Motion carried unanimously. N-aye; S-aye; J-aye**

9. 9:30 a.m. Public Hearings and Items Set for a Certain Time – There were no public hearings.

10. Other Business (Department Heads and Elected Officials) –

Sheriff Salisbury said they are almost back to having as many deputies as they had in 2007. He spoke about the Compstat Program they have been using. He also commented that having a precinct in the North End has made a significant difference in crime reduction. He added that they have been patrolling areas that were not patrolled before. He said they are also checking on businesses. He credits the volunteers for helping to keep the North End precinct open and gave thanks to the volunteers. He said if the streets are adequately patrolled, the crime rate goes down. He commented that the deputies out there do a great job and have excellent leadership. He said Chief Ryan Spurling will provide additional information.

Chief Ryan Spurling spoke about the significant decrease in property crimes in the County in 2014 as opposed to 2013. He said there were 570 burglaries in 2013 down to 495 in 2014. He stated the numbers are more dramatic in the North Precinct. He added that the deputies are involved in the community because trust from the community is key. He said their uses of force are very low compared to others. Chief Spurling shared that in the North precinct alone, there were 249 burglaries in 2013 and 149 in 2014. He credits more patrol, neighborhood watches and patrolling specific zones amongst other programs and community support. He reiterated that crime is going down. He commented that a couple of crimes did go up as homicide went from 1 to 2 and aggravated assault went from 20 to 28. He announced that the volunteers gave over three thousand hours last year.

Cmmr. Sheldon asked what defines the North precinct.

Chief Spurling explained the GIS zones. He said there are seven zones in the North precinct and seven zones in South precinct. Each zone is broken down and can be tracked with Compstat.

Cmmr. Jeffreys asked if they will be able to get regular reports, updates and statistics.

Chief Spurling answered yes. He added that Compstat helps to determine which areas need more patrol. He said each zone has a deputy assigned.

Cmmr. Sheldon asked about the WASPC (Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs) and asked if this new technology will be accepted by other counties?

Sheriff Salisbury said although Mason County was one of the first to utilize Compstat, others are following. He said that the data in WASPC is still the same.

Cmmr. Neatherlin said that he is excited about this and added that citizens have noticed more patrol in North Mason County as well.

Sheriff Salisbury said they still do not have enough deputies although the North Precinct has made a difference because the deputies can now stay in the area to do paperwork so are more readily available.

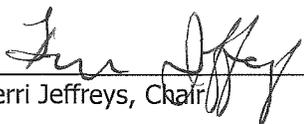
Cmmr. Jeffreys said more presence of deputies has made a difference and thanked the Sheriff's office for their work.

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Sheriff Sallisbury commented that all of the members of community law enforcement come together each month at the Sheriff's Breakfast. He said it helps a lot that they are all working together.

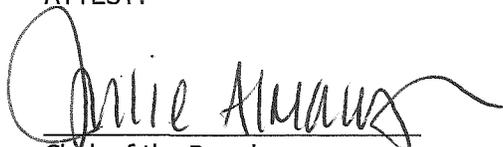
11. Board's Reports and Calendar - The Commissioners reported on meetings attended the past week and announced their upcoming weekly meetings.
12. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

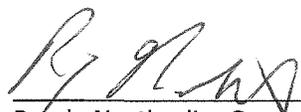
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MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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Terri Jeffreys, Chair

  
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