

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

OKANOGAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 25, 2004

8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Discussion - Juvenile Detention Bed Costs Update - Juvenile & Judge
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Discussion - Salmon Recovery & Watershed Planning - Water Resources
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Finance Committee Report
10:00 AM - 11:00 AM	Update Public Works (see attached agenda)
(11:30 AM - 12:00 PM)	Approve Consent Agenda

The Okanogan County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on May 25, 2004 with Commissioner Mary Lou Peterson, Commissioner Schulz and Brenda Crowell, Clerk of the Board present. Commissioner Vejraska out on personal business.

Discussion – Juvenile Detention Costs for 2003 – Juvenile

Judge Burchard, Bruce Moran, Roger Nicholas, Del Shove, Sandy Ervin, Ed Merriman

Documentation was presented to demonstrate calculations for actual costs for 2003. Total costs for detention in 2003 is \$494,253 as compared to \$687,000 at Martin Hall. Even if the Tribe were to activate a juvenile facility and reduce the number of detainees the costs would be higher than the costs for 2003. Del Shove noted that if the Juvenile Center was closed and layoffs took place \$200,000 would have to be added in for unemployment costs.

Commissioner Peterson expressed her concern regarding the need for funding to maintain and repair the current facility, or funding to build a new one. It was noted that the facility has been addressed in the county's capital facilities plan. Commissioner Peterson asked if it was possible, if a new facility was built the county could contract out beds to other communities.

Bruce Moran stated, "not to the extent that the jail is contracting out its beds". Most other places have built their own facility or are sending juveniles to Martin Hall. Commissioner Peterson suggested that perhaps, since OBHC is building a new facility, an addition could be added on for juvenile detention. Roger Nicholas commended Commissioner Peterson for her progressive thinking. Commissioner Schulz suggested that Bruce give a periodic update.

Discussion – Salmon Recovery & Watershed Planning – Water Resources

Julie Dagnon presented a draft letter addressing the sub-basin plans and asked the Commissioners to review and comment

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