

District No. 1 Commissioner: Phil Johnson District No. 2 Commissioner: David W. Sullivan District No. 3 Commissioner: John Austin

County Administrator: John F. Fischbach Clerk of the Board: Lorna Delaney

> MINUTES Special Meeting August 29, 2008

Chairman Phil Johnson called the meeting to order in the presence of Commissioners David Sullivan and John Austin.

HEARING re: Proposed Ordinance Re-Establishing a System of Assessment for the Port Ludlow Drainage District: Chairman Johnson opened the public hearing. Jim Pearson, Public Works, stated that drainage districts are governed by RCW 85.38 which requires the Board of County Commissioners to review their assessment systems periodically. He explained that the Port Ludlow Drainage District was formed in 2000 and in 2001 the County Commissioners approved Ordinance No. 04-0815-01 detailing the assessment system to be used. At the time, there was some controversy about large lots in Port Ludlow #6 on the west side of the District. The District recognized the need to address these lots and recommended an amendment to the assessment system. The County Commissioners approved the revision in Ordinance No. 07-0825-03.

The Board of County Commissioners is required to approve the assessment every 4 years. Jim Pearson clarified that the Commissioners are only approving the assessment system for allocating funds. The Port Ludlow Drainage District sets the level of assessment when they adopt their budget. He added that no revisions have been made to the assessment system. It is the same system that was put into place in 2003.

Chairman Johnson opened the public testimony portion of the hearing.

<u>Carl Barton</u>, Port Ludlow, stated that the letter he received regarding this hearing said there would be a map included. There wasn't a map and he is not sure what zone his property is located in. He stated that he thinks the mailing was a very poor communication.

Jim Pearson noted that there are 5 zones and most of the Drainage District is in Zone 1.

Barry Baker of Gray and Osborn, engineers for the Drainage District, reiterated that the assessment system is the same as last year. He apologized for not including a map in the letter but said that it was in the advertised hearing notice. He explained that Zone 0 is property that cannot be developed such as open space or greenbelt, Zone 1 is the majority of the residential areas, and Zones 2, 3, and 4 drain in or out of the District.



Commissioner Sullivan asked if the Drainage District has received comments on the assessment system? Drainage District Commissioner Walt Cairns answered that they have received very few comments.

Hearing no further comments for or against the re-establishment of the assessment system, Chairman Johnson closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Sullivan moved to approve **ORDINANCE NO.** <u>08-0829-08</u> in the matter of repealing and replacing Ordinance No. <u>04-0815-01</u> and Ordinance No. <u>07-0825-03</u> and finalizing the assessment system for the Port Ludlow Drainage District. Commissioner Austin seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT: Commissioner Sullivan moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:15 a..m. to the next regular meeting on Tuesday, September 2, 2008. Commissioner Austin seconded the motion which carried by a unanimous vote.

MEETING ADJOURNED

SEAL:

Julie Matthes, CMC Deputy Clerk of the Board JEFFERSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Phil Johnson, Chair

David W. Sullivan, Member

John Austin, Member