

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
DEPARTMENT HEAD  
MINUTES**

**DATE: September 3, 2003**

**TIME: 10:30 A.M.**

**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Max, Bruce and Perry**

**DEPARTMENT: Treasurer**

**DEPARTMENT HEAD: Amy Mills**

**OTHERS PRESENT: Jack McLaughlin-D.A. Davidson**

<b>TOPIC:</b>	<b>Bonds for the Jail</b>
<b>DISCUSSION:</b>	<p>Mr. McLaughlin handed out information to the Board. They discussed the different kinds of bonds that the County could place on the ballot. If the plan was to put the bonds on the ballot for this years election the information would need to be to the Auditor by September 19, 2003. Commissioner Huston sketched the three funding options in which the money would come from. Commissioner Golladay was against supporting a raise in property tax and would better support a .3 increase on sales tax. If the City of Ellensburg and City of Cle Elum would sign an interlocal agreement for Jail Services then the increase of sales tax would be lower. Commissioner Coe said he would work with the City of Cle Elum and Commissioner Huston would work with the City of Ellensburg. Commissioner Coe suggested only raising the sales tax to .275 so that the sales tax still remains under 8%. Mr. McLaughlin was going to check in the issue of having to take the sales tax increase to the voters every 6 years. Ms. Mills is going to work on a Resolution for the September 16<sup>th</sup> Commissioner's Agenda to place the bond on the ballot. The total bond price the County is looking at is \$16 million for up to 30 years. That would make the yearly payback cost at \$1.0 million.</p>

**APPROVED**

10/7/03

<b>ACTION:</b>	<b>No Board Action Taken</b>