

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

May 4, 2005

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Joe Corsiglia and Commissioner Rita Bernhard, together with Sarah Tyson, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2005 Board meeting and April 27, 2005 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

DELIBERATIONS ON TALEBI MODIFICATION/VARIANCE/MINOR PARTITION:

This is the time set for the Board to deliberate on the Application of Ardeshire Talebi for a Modification of Columbia County Road Standards, a Variance to the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance and a Minor Partition to Create a Twelfth Lot with Access onto Pioneer Road, a Private Road.

Sarah Tyson explained that after the Board deliberates, there will be three separate motions that need to be made. These would be tentative until staff finalizes the order for Board approval at a later date.

Todd Dugdale, LDS Director, provided the Board with a revised Board Communication to help clarify information and recommended conditions. Todd noted two changes under staff recommendations for the Zoning Variance. In researching the question of an easement, staff could not find any existing easement between Scappoose-Vernonia Road and the CZ main line. With those clarifications, staff recommends approval of all three requests as articulated in the updated staff report.

Dave Hill, Public Works Director, is recommending paving 500 feet up Pioneer Road from Scappoose-Vernonia Road.

Sarah labeled the May 1, 2005 Board Communication as Exhibit #11.

After deliberation, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve the Road Modification application from Ardeshire Talebi to allow more than 6 lots to be

served by a private road, with conditions as written in the staff report. The motion carried unanimously.

Further, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve Variance No. 05-07 approving a variance from the requirement to have at least 50 feet of frontage on a public road. The motion carried unanimously.

Lastly, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve Minor Partition #04-26 to partition the 10.47 acre parcel into two parcels containing approximately 5.47 and 5 acres, more or less. The motion carried unanimously.

Maurice O'Brien, Pioneer Road, suggested the timber company be included in the road maintenance agreement. In the past, he has not gotten a lot of cooperation in maintaining the road. The Board stated that they would be a party to the agreement.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify Select-to-Pay for 5/3/05.
- (B) Ratify Resolution No. 14-2005 (Grant Document Resolution), "In the Matter of the Application of Columbia County to Participate in the Assessment and Taxation Grant".

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (C) Confidentiality Agreement with Northwest Natural Gas.

The motion carried unanimously.

CARCUS CREEK HARVEST BIDS:

Dave Hill, Public Works Director, approached the Board to review the bids for Carcus Creek logging. He is recommending the Board approve the recommendation from Dan Green. Sarah explained that there are two actions needed and reviewed the process that was followed under the new Public Contracting Rules. One is to award the contract for logging and the second is for sale of the logs.

After discussion, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to award the contract for logging of Carcus Creek to Boones Mechanical and approving the contract after review by County Counsel. The motion carried unanimously.

After a brief explanation by Sarah, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve Order No. 16- 2005, "In the Matter of Awarding Contracts for the Sale of Carcus Creek Logs. The motion carried unanimously.

ORDER #15-2005: FINAL ASSESSMENT ROLL FOR BLAHA RD IMPROVEMENTS:

Sarah went over the order she drafted to approve the final assessment roll for Blaha Road Improvement Project. Upon approval, notice will be sent to all property owners detailing the final assessment and their options for payment.

After discussion, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve Order No.15-2005, "In the Matter of the Final Assessment Roll for the Blaha Road Improvement Project. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave brought up the prior discussion about making Blaha Road a county road which he feels is appropriate. The Board directed Dave to do some further research on this and bring his recommendation back before the Board for discussion.

TRANSFER STATION - ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

John Knight presented the Board with a letter from Bill Potter to JE Dunn regarding the material discovered at the SE corner of the Transfer Station site. The substance has been tested and the results shared with Oregon DEQ who agrees that the soil is okay to leave in place. Bill would like to send this letter to JE Dunn to authorize them to proceed with the grading and paving of this area. Bill does not feel he has the level of authority to make this decision and would ask for the Board to approve his sending this letter. After little discussion, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to ratify the May 3, 2005 letter to JE Dunn Northwest. The motion carried unanimously.

2005 CONCERT SERIES:

John Knight explained that, last week the Board heard the appeal from Mr. Leiken on the contract for the concert series and the Board needs to take action on the appeal. At this time, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to deny the appeal for the concert series by DTL, Inc. dba Double Tee Concerts. The motion carried unanimously.

John stated that both DTL, Inc. and Lowell MacGregor have applied for permits, which have not been acted upon yet. John made the suggestion to ask DTL to withdraw their permit and refund their fee, then act upon the permit application for Lowell MacGregor Group. These permits normally go through the Planning Commission but, in this case, there is no time to do that. He suggested that the Board take jurisdiction over this permit application.

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to set a hearing date for the Lowell MacGregor Group permit application for June 1, 2005 at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Regarding the refund of the permit fee to DTL, Inc., Commissioner Hyde felt they should follow the normal process and request a refund in writing, which the Board could consider at that time. The Board agreed.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde attended the Port Appreciation Day at the Scappoose Air Park which was a lot of fun.

On Saturday, he played golf with Norm Bernhard in Washington and had a good time.

On Monday he was in Clatskanie meeting with the Fire Board and the Oregonian at the PGE construction site at Port Westward.

On Tuesday, he attended the CEPA meeting then was on to Salem to testify on Homeland Security.

This afternoon, he will be training on the defibrilators.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

Last Wednesday, attended the Scappoose Police Academy. On Saturday they did the firing range and a drive along. This has been much more hands on that he expected.

He reported on the \$1,000 grant the Clatskanie Arts Commission received from the Oregon Arts Commission.

Yesterday, he had the opportunity to present an award to Sue Bing, who will now be competing for the statewide Women of Year Award. He will be drafting a letter of support for her.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard attended a CAT meeting in Seaside last Friday to discuss Shared Government Programs. They spent a lot of time talking about how the governing bodies for Community Action Team, Head Start and policy councils work and interact.

On Saturday morning, she worked the Scappoose Clean Up - where many people brought in a lot of garbage and yard debris for disposal.

On Saturday night, she attended the Sacagawega Art Festival fund raiser. It was a very successful event and believes they raised around \$11,000.

Commissioner Bernhard commented that Janet continues to work on Transportation issues and noted that the RFP has gone out. There has been some confusion on the part of the Scappoose and St. Helens Senior Center Board of Directors, so she and Janet will be meeting with them this

week to provide them with some clarification.

There was no Executive Session held.

With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 4th day of May, 2005.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____
Joe Corsiglia Commissioner

By: _____
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh