

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES  
September 7, 2005

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde and Commissioner Rita Bernhard, together with John Knight, County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary. Commissioner Corsiglia was not present.

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

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve the minutes of the August 31, 2005 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

None.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. With no comments, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify Select-to-Pay for 9/6/05.
- (B) Cancel 9/13/05 Work Session.
- (C) Appoint Nina Randolph to the Columbia County Housing Authority to complete the term of Wally Lambert. Term to expire on 12/31/2008.

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (D) Amendment #1 to the 2005-2007 Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Commission on Children & Families.
- (E) Amendment #2 to the Memorandum of Understanding with Columbia Community Mental Health (CCMH).

The motion carried unanimously.

**LAW ENFORCEMENT LOCAL OPTION TAX LEVY:**

John Knight presented a draft ballot title which has been reviewed a number of times with Paul Vogel, which resulted in some changes since last week. John also presented Order No. 60-05, which calls for the election on the November ballot; and Resolution No. 61-2005 which will maintain funding for law enforcement purposes and reviewed both with the Board.

With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve Order No. 60-2005, "In the Matter of Calling an Election to Consider the Columbia County Law Enforcement Local Option Tax Levy". The motion carried unanimously.

Further, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve Resolution No. 61-2005, "In the Matter of Maintaining Funding for Law Enforcement Purposes". The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Last week, Commissioner Hyde was in Brookings for an O&C Board meeting. He can really appreciate when counties from far away attend these meeting because it's a long haul. They will be meeting very regularly this next year to deal with PL106-393.

Next week, he will be meeting with the NACo Executive Board in Pendleton, where PL 106-393 will be the main topic of discussion.

**COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:**

Not present.

**COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Bernhard attended the final concert at Columbia View Park last week, which was very well attended. They are planning to do these concerts again next year. These concerts have been a very good family event and were free to the public.

This weekend, she will be attending a fundraiser for Amani Child Abuse Center at the Columbia City Racquet Club, which is their biggest event for the year.

She has been working a lot on transportation issues recently. The county isn't able to provide some services for the school children so she has been working to find other options.

Commissioner Hyde wanted to say that the County is working with the Red Cross to have one stop for people to donate money. Clothing is not needed at this point. The best advice for anyone who wants to help out, is to contact the Red Cross and be specific that your donations go

to the victims of Katrina. People were reminded that, although it is unfortunate, there are a lot of scams out there, so everyone needs to be aware of where their donations are going.

**RUTH BAKER - ESTABLISHING A RESERVE ACCOUNT:**

Ruth Baker came before the Board regarding the establishment of a refund reserve account for Cascade Tissue. Cascade has appealed their property tax assessment and a reserve needs to be set up to refund their taxes. Ruth is asking that a reserve account be set up in the amount of \$200,000. The total anticipated for the three years is approximately \$330,000. She has prepared an order for Board approval. With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve Resolution No. 62-2005, "In the Matter of Establishing a Refund Reserve Account under ORS 311.807". The motion carried unanimously.

While in attendance, Ruth explained to the Board that the Jail wants to move their account from Washington Mutual to US Bank. This needs to be done by Board order. John would recommend the Board approve this, subject to his review and approval. With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve Resolution No. 63-2005, subject to County Counsel review. The motion carried unanimously.

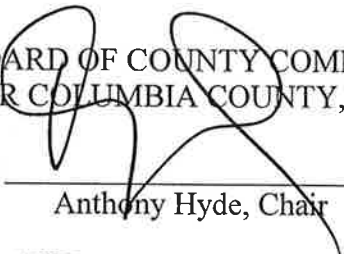
There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September, 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: Not Present  
Joe Corsiglia Commissioner

By:   
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Acting Recording Secretary:

By:   
Jan Greenhalgh