

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

August 2, 2006

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

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve the minutes of the July 25, 2006 Work Session; July 26, 2006 Board meeting; and July 26, 2006 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Richard Colwell, 6310 SE Knight St., Portland, Or. 97206: He is the entertainment coordinator with the SE Chapter of A.B.A.T.E., and wanted to respond to concerns addressed to the Board on Run 21 motorcycle event that was held a couple of weeks ago. The property was leased from the landowner, John Peterson. First he wanted to publicly apologize for letting the music go too long on Saturday night/Sunday morning and for the problems it caused the surrounding neighbors. They really appreciate the hospitality of Deer Island and would like to use the site again in the future. He noted that there were no problems during this event. They have their own security and rules to be followed. There was one neighbor that was very close and they tried to work with them - they even came to the event. However, the neighbor stated that the music went too long on Saturday night. Again, they apologize for that. ABATE has had this event for the last 5 years in the Mist-Birkenfeld area and always worked with the Sheriff's department. They have never been informed of the need for a noise waiver and wasn't told about that this year either. In the future, they will abide by all rules and obtain any necessary permits. They would like to keep this event in Columbia County. They bring a lot of money into the community. There was 60 yards of garbage removed from the site after the event which shows the amount of product purchased in the county. Richard stated that the Fire Marshall came up and had no problem and a deputy came up on Thursday to check on things. ABATE has been putting these events on for many years and are very well organized.

The issue of the upcoming event on August 18th was discussed. Richard stated that this is a much smaller event with only 300-400 hundred people. However, he is not involved in this event and doesn't have a lot of details. He did voice his reluctance to ABATE using the Peterson's property for this run because he felt they shouldn't wear out their welcome.

Commissioner Hyde informed Richard that ABATE has already worn out their welcome. This meeting room was filled last week with some very upset neighbors and they absolutely do not

want to see another one of these take place up there. The Board is not against these types of events, but that location is not the place for it.

Richard stated that the Peterson property was a last minute deal and ABATE will be looking for an alternate site. Commissioner Corsiglia stated that the County does accommodate large events, but a process needs to be followed. He suggested that Richard speak with John Knight after the meeting.

2ND READING OF ORDINANCE #2006-6 - AMENDING ORDINANCE 2002-8:

This is the time set for the second reading of Ordinance No. 2006-6, "In the Matter of Amending Ordinance No. 2002-8, Approving the Application of Richard Recht for Columbia Hills Development Co. for a Comprehensive Plan Amendment and Zone Change from Rural Residential (RR-5) to Community Service-Utility (CS-U)".

John Knight gave a brief background of the ordinance and then gave the second reading of Ordinance No. 2006-6 by title only. He would recommend that the Board not adopt the ordinance at this time because there are still some ongoing discussions with the developers. With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to carry over consideration of Ordinance No. 2006-6 to Wednesday, August 16, 2006, at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Corsiglia read the consent agenda in full. **Item (G)** was pulled and held over one week. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for 8/1/06.
- (B) Ratify application for ODOT Pedestrian/Bicycle Improvement Grant for Milton Creek Bridge.
- (C) Authorize the County Assessor to fill one Assessment Clerk I position, effective 9/1/06.
- (D) Authorize the Land Development Services Director to fill the vacant Environmental Services Specialist II position, effective August 11, 2006.
- (E) Approve the creation of the new FLSA exempt position of Deputy Surveyor and assign it to Exempt Salary Range 6 and authorize the County Surveyor to fill the position.

- (F) Approve upgrading one Probation/Parole Officer position to that of a Lead Probation/Parole Officer. Approve the creation of the classification of Lead Probation/Parole Officer and assign to salary range 30 and authorize the Community Corrections Director to fill this position.
- (G) Order No. 62-2006, "In the Matter of Authorizing Columbia 9-1-1 Communications District to Construct a Gate in the Right-of-Way of Lookout County Road". (*PULLED AND HELD OVER ONE WEEK*)
- (H) Approve the request by the Echoing Evergreens Group to have Archery and BB Gun Stations at Camp Wilkerson August 6-10, 2006.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) Amendment #35 to the 2005-2007 Intergovernmental Agreement #113022 with DHS.

The motion carried unanimously.

CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT WITH PORT WESTWARD LNG, LLC:

After a brief explanation, John Knight recommended approval. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve the Confidentiality Agreement with Port Westward LNG, LLC. and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

MASS GATHERING ORDINANCE:

John started work on a Mass Gathering ordinance a few years back as a result of concerns raised with concerts being proposed at the Fairgrounds. When an alternate site was found, work on the ordinance was stopped. With the issue over the Run 21 event held a couple of weeks ago, he was asked to work on the completion of the Mass Gathering ordinance. John has prepared the ordinance and reviewed what is covered in the ordinance. Because of another upcoming event, the ordinance was drafted with an emergency clause. He noted that this has not been advertised nor has a hearing been held, which is not the norm. However, John has added a "repeal" clause so that this ordinance would be repealed on September 30, 2006, unless otherwise renewed or amended by the Board. At this time, John would recommend the Board adopt the ordinance today. After discussion, John read Ordinance No. 2006-8 twice by title only. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2006-8, "In the Matter of Adopting the Columbia County Outdoor Mass Gathering Ordinance", to include an emergency clause. Under discussion, Commissioner Bernhard suggested that a public hearing be held on this ordinance very soon. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

No comments

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard attended the CZ Trail meeting last night in Scappoose. It went very well with a lot of positive comments.

On Saturday, the County held their first Household Hazardous Waste collection event. Staff did a great job coordinating that event.

There was a Relay for Life held last weekend and there was a very good turnout. They raised over \$90,000.

On Saturday, she went out to the Rockfest at Columbia Meadows. The concert was very well coordinated and no real problems to speak of.

On Sunday evening, she went out to Airport Park for the Veterans for Peace gathering.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde was invited to attend a meeting with Mayor Potter last week. He found it interesting that Linnton is considering forming a residential area - through a rail line and tank yard. Not a very good idea.

He is working with the City of Vernonia on their waste water issue. Residents are looking at a monthly bill of \$165 and that is not acceptable.

He attended the CZ Trail meeting last night. It went very well and another meeting is scheduled for tonight in Vernonia.

The Vernonia Jamboree is this weekend and he encouraged all to attend.

After the logging show he will be off to Chicago for a NACo meeting and will not be here for the meeting next week.

The Board has been asked to have someone from every county designated to lobby congress on the re-authorization of PL 106. He has asked Ruth Baker to represent Columbia County because she knows the numbers and the financial impact on the county. The Board agreed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(1)(h):

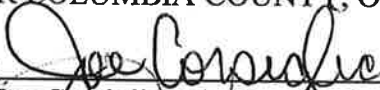
The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(1)(h). Upon coming out of Executive Session, no action was taken by the Board.

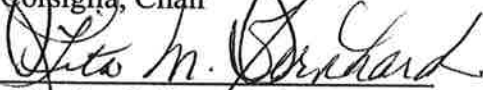
With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

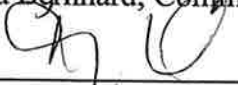
Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 2nd day of August, 2006.

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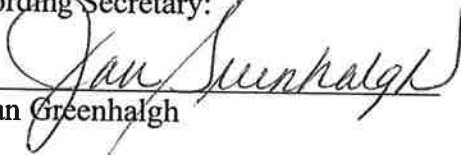
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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Joe Consiglia, Chair

By: 
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: 
Jan Greenhalgh