

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

October 4, 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 Hanson, Assistant County Counsel, and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the September 26, 2006 Work Session and September 27, 2006 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

PROCLAIM OCTOBER 2006 AS "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH":

Commissioner Corsiglia read the proclamation into the record. Ollie Gibson and Brandi Bonney of the Women's Resource Center, approached the Board to comment on this proclamation. Ollie stated that this community has been very aggressive in eradicating violence in this county. She stated the importance for awareness of domestic violence and wanted to thank the Board for approving this proclamation. Brandi also wanted to thank the Board for acknowledging this proclamation. There will be a candlelight vigil tonight at Columbia Park starting at 5 pm - this is in honor of those who have died as a result of domestic violence. She invited the Board to attend. With that, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to proclaim October, 2006 as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month". The motion carried unanimously.

MEASURE 37 CLAIM FILED BY FRANCIENE URBAN:

Sarah Hanson received a call from Rosemary Lohrke, representing Franciene Urban, asking for another continuance. Sarah informed Rosemary that the 180 days is up on October 11th and that the Board will need to make a decision by that time. After discussion, the Board carried this matter over to the October 10, 2006 work session, at or after 10:00 a.m.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 10/3/06.
- (B) Appoint Darrel Whipple, Sally Harrison, Carol Sawyer, Tobie Finzel, Vivian Urie and Larry Cole to the Columbia County Cultural Coalition Committee.
- (C) Approval to apply for State Revenue Sharing Funds of \$10,000 from the City of St. Helens for General Public, Elderly, Disabled Transportation Services provided by Columbia County Rider, within the St. Helens School District Service Area".

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (D) Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of St. Helens for Data Sharing.
- (E) Rental Agreement between Jorine Robinson & Gene Andrews and the Columbia County Parks Department for Hudson Parcher Park.
- (F) GIS Data License Agreement with USDA Forest Service.
- (G) GIS Data License Agreement with Digital Map Products.
- (H) GIS Data License Agreement with Scappoose Bay Watershed Council.
- (I) GIS Data License Agreement with Proxix Solutions, Inc.
- (J) Approve Amendment No. 4 to Memorandum of Understanding with Columbia Community Mental Health.
- (K) Approve Quitclaim Deed to Columbia Community Mental Health.
- (L) Approve Trust Deed and Trust Deed Note from Columbia Community Mental Health.

The motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSED GRANT FOR BIG EDDY PARK:

Dave Hill, Public Works Director, came before the Board requesting authorization to apply for a grant with the Oregon State Parks & Recreation Department. He discussed this with the Parks Committee last night and all were in favor of it. The grant is for improvements to the camp sites at Big Eddy park. There are currently 15 RV sites and 19 camp sites. The plan is to improve the camp sites for RV sites. Dave has received a lot of complaints about the electrical and water system out there and, with grant funding, the plans are to improve those systems. Improvements would be in two phases, phase I of this grant would be for the electrical and water system and phase 2 would be to improve camp sites into RV sites. It's a 50/50 grant and would cost the county a little over \$47,000. After some discussion, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to authorize the grant application for Big Eddy Park improvements. The motion carried unanimously.

Dave informed the Board that he has hired a new Parks Supervisor, Loraine Churchill, and the new Rare student will start tomorrow - Erica Owen.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

Commissioner Corsiglia attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting this morning. Lonny Welter was there and gave an overview of county road projects. Discussion was held on detours during accidents on the highway and the need to coordinate a plan between all emergency responders.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard attended the CEPA meeting yesterday. The Scappoose Police Chief was there and stated that Scappoose received a grant to pay for a sting operation around the school areas. They will be issuing warnings at first for anyone not adhering to the 20 mph in a school zone. After a while, they will start issuing tickets to offenders.

She spoke with representatives from the Collins Foundation about getting additional funding for the transitional housing project.

She addressed one of the classes at Concordia College. She talked about what the County Commissioners do, the different things they are involved with and how the county and non-profits work together.

She attended the Oktoberfest on Saturday. It appeared to be a very successful event and the attendance seemed to be up this year from last year.

Last night, she attended the Parks meeting and met the new Parks supervisor.

She went to the spaghetti dinner put on by the CRPUD at the pavilion at the Fairgrounds- it was very well attended. There is a problem with the acoustics in that building but it would be extremely expensive to fix.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde attended the logging show at the Oktoberfest last weekend. Glad to see a good turnout.

Dave Hill followed up on the school zone sting and suggested that the press contact Aaron at the Road Department to get some information for a press release.

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

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 4th day of October, 2006.

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: 
Joe Corsiglia, Chair

By: 
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: 
Jan Greenhalgh