

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

November 22, 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 Hyde seconded to approve the minutes of the November 8, 2006 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

HEARING: SHERIFF/MBI CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT/SITE DESIGN REVIEW:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of the Application by the Columbia County Sheriff for a Conditional Use Permit and Site Design Review and MBI aka Morse Bros., Inc. for an Amendment to the Surface Mining Operating Permit #05-0077 (Reichhold Site) and Change in Surface Mining Hours".

Sarah Hanson explained that, after review of the staff report, it was discovered that DLCD was not given the required 45 day notice. Therefore, this hearing will need to be continued and re-noticed. The applicants are aware of this and have no issues with continuing the matter.

With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to continue this hearing to January 10, 2007, at or after 10:00 am. The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING: CHARLENE WASHBURN TEMPORARY PERMIT:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of the Application of Charlene Washburn for a Temporary Permit to Use a Portion of a Shop as a Temporary Home in the Primary Forest (PF-76) Zone".

Sarah Hanson explained that the Board took original jurisdiction over this matter at a staff meeting, however there was no formal motion to do so and she recommended that be done. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to take original jurisdiction of this matter. The motion carried unanimously.

Regarding exparte contact, Sarah stated that the Board spoke with Charlene Washburn at a staff meeting, however that was prior to the application being filed so that is not considered exparte contact.

Sarah then read the pre-hearing statement as required by ORS 197.763. She entered County Counsel's hearing file into the record, marked Exhibit "1" and noted all contents.

Todd Dugdale, LDS Director, came before the Board to give the staff report. Charlene Washburn is requesting a Temporary Use Permit for a use not allowed in the district. This will allow her to use her attached shop/garage as a temporary hardship home for her ailing mother. The mother has been already living in this space for some time and LDS was just recently made aware of it. Charlene was informed of the process that is required for a temporary use permit and an application was filed. Todd went over the applicable criteria. Staff is recommending the Temporary Use Permit be approved, subject to the 5 conditions listed in the staff report dated October 20, 2006, along with all conditions that would apply to a Temporary Use Permit.

The hearing was opened for public testimony.

Proponents:

Charlene Washburn, 15997 Eastman Road, Mist, Oregon: She is the applicant and is obviously in favor of this and willing to comply with all conditions. Her mother has lived there for 4 years and it would be a hardship to have her moved into a home. She asked that the Board approve this application.

Opponents:

None.

With no further testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed for deliberation. Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve Order No. 92-2006, "In the Matter of the Application of Charlene Washburn for a Temporary Permit to Use a Portion of a Shop as a Temporary Home in the Primary Forest (PF-76) Zone". The motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 11/14/06 & 11/21/06.
- (B) Authorize the County Sheriff to fill one vacant Corrections Deputy position.

- (C) Approve Partial Road Naming Fee Waiver - Columbia Hills Development Company.
- (D) Approve Partial Measure 37 Fee Waivers for Erickson Enterprises, Ross Winans, John Peterson, Joe Luttrell and Arnold Leppin, as recommended by staff.
- (E) Deny request for a Measure 37 Fee Waiver by John Vlastelicia, as recommended by staff.
- (F) Order No. 90-2006, (Findings and Conclusions), "In the Matter of the Renewal of Surface Mining Operating Permits and Limited Exemption Certificates for the Period 2006-2011".
- (G) Order No. 91-2006, "In the Matter of Transferring Certain Access Approach Deposits from the County Treasurer's Deposit Fund to the County Road Fund".

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (H) Grant Agreement #22592 with ODOT, Public Transit Division for purchase of 5311-Capital Vehicle Purchase.
- (I) ORMAP Intergovernmental Agreement #1758 with the Oregon Department of Revenue and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (J) Agreement with Sierra Pacific Development - West Lane Improvement Project and authorize Dave Hill to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

The Board attended the annual AOC conference in Eugene last week. There were a number of good topics discussed at the different meetings. He wanted to thank Jan for gathering the many donations for the conference. He believes that Columbia County had the most.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard enjoyed the AOC conference. There were a lot of good topics discussed, with a lot of discussion on Measure 37.

She spent time this week in the interview process for the CCMH Director. There were many good candidates.

She attended the recent Parks meeting and there was discussion on possible changes to the Parks Rules and Regulations.

She attended the Transportation meeting yesterday. There is a planning process in place to make some changes to the program and other items were discussed.

She attended the 4-H Awards banquet at the High School and it was very well attended. This is a good opportunity to recognize the students who participate in the 4-H program.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde also attended the AOC conference in Eugene last week. This is a lot to be learned at this annual conference. He was again elected to the O&C Board. There were meetings on the Economic Development budget, Measure 37 and many other topics.

He met with Weyerhaeuser last week to discuss issues with regards to the CZ Linear trail. He is working on getting a consultant to start meeting with the neighbors that live along the trail.

CYNTHIA ZEMAITIS - REAL PROPERTY ISSUES:

Cynthia stated that there are two properties that the County recently foreclosed on and she would like to discuss one in open session and one in Executive Session. She noted that she has contacted Joe Schultz to get both properties insured. The first property is a service station in Rainier on Hwy 30 next to J&R Sales. She needs direction from the Board on what to do with this property. Commissioner Hyde felt the first thing would be to check with DEQ. Commissioner Corsiglia would also like to see some information on the value of the property. Commissioner Bernhard feels that a letter should be sent to the previous owner to see if he is interested in repurchasing the property. Commissioner Corsiglia stated that the owner had been given a number of notices during the foreclosure process and, if he was interested, would have already expressed that. Commissioner Bernhard still feels that a letter be sent to him. John Knight went over possible legal issues with owning this type of property. After discussion, Cynthia stated that she would contact the previous owner, contact DEQ and get some type of value of the property.

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

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session, as allowed by ORS 192.660(1)(e)(h). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to direct Cynthia to offer a lease agreement to the prior owners of property located at 254 N. 6th Street, St. Helens, not to exceed 90 days. The motion carried unanimously.

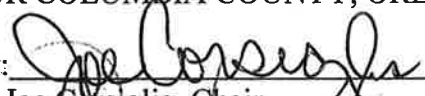
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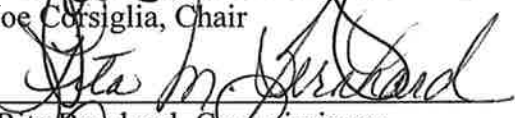
With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

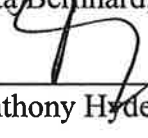
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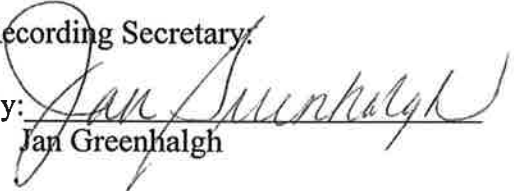
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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Joe Corsiglia, Chair

By: 
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:
By: 
Jan Greenhalgh