

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 2, 2008

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

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the December 19, 2007 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Mel Dodge, 30568 Barker Road, Rainier: He came before the Board in November because of the problems he was having obtaining a septic permit to site a home on his property. He has been told that there is no place on his 6 acres that he can site a septic system. After he spoke with the Board, he thought that this was going to be dealt with and things would move forward. They have not and he is continuing to have problems getting his septic system sited. Mel had to hire a soil expert, who Ron Wilson said was the best in the State. He came out to the property and rechecked all 9 holes that were dug. He found nothing wrong with any of the holes. Mel gave a copy of the response to the Board for their review.

The Board felt that was the best step he could have taken and suggested that Ron Wilson, County Sanitarian, meet with this expert to try to get this mitigated. The Board will contact LDS today to see if this issue can be mitigated.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Bernhard read the consent agenda in full. Spencer has requested that Items (F) and (I) be pulled and carried over. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the consent agenda as amended:

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 12/28/07.
- (B) Ratify the request for extension of time to file audit report.
- (C) Ratify the appointment of David Thompson to the Columbia County Fair Board, Position #1 to complete the term of Deb Parmley which expires on 1/1/09.
- (D) Appoint Loretta Serra to replace Dave True on the Unmet Needs Committee.
- (E) Order No. 1-2008, "In the Matter of the Livestock Attack On a Pig Owned by Jason and Laura Yazzolino".
- (F) Order No. 2-2008, "In the Matter of Declaring an Emergency and Awarding a Public Contract for Road Construction and Repair Work". **(PULLED & HELD OVER)**
- (G) Authorize the Sheriff to fill one vacant Corrections Deputy position.

- (H) *Authorize the Justice of the Peace to fill the Clerk vacancy.*

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) *Ratify Public Improvement Contract with TFT Construction for Road Construction and Repair Services. (PULLED & HELD OVER)*
- (J) *Ratify Approval of Amendment No. 1 to the Beaver Landing Cooperative Agreement No. 235257 between ODFW and Columbia County.*
- (K) *Intergovernmental Agreement for the Coordination and Management of Multi-Agency Motor Vehicle Pursuits among Law Enforcement Agencies located in Columbia County, Oregon.*

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard has been sick the past few days, however, the Board is continuing to deal with the effects of the storm and another slide that just took place on Timber Road. According to the extended forecast, the bad weather is not over yet.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde commented on how Christmas went in Vernonia. The Toy & Joy and many other groups donated a lot to the community and

some felt it was one of the best Christmas' they've had. There is still a great need for skilled labor, building supplies and money in the area. There are huge concerns with what the weather will bring this winter.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

With the events of the storm and holidays, it's hard to tell what day it is.

He attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting with morning. They are looking at their focus, as a group, to see what directions they can go as a committee and what their abilities are. There was some discussion on the fact that we have had the highest traffic fatality rate that we've ever had in the county, however, with a major disaster there were no fatalities. Strange as it sounds, that's a good thing. A lot of talk was centered on communication and the breakdown between agencies. The group will be looking at how that can be improved upon and will then make recommendations back to the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(h)(f):

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(h)(f). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the IGA with Clatsop County for the distribution of Georgia Pacific Payback Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING:

The next Board meeting will be held on Monday, January 7, 2008 at 10:00 a.m.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 2nd day of January, 2008.

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: _____

Rita Bernhard, Chair

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: _____

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner