

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

February 6, 2008

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

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the January 30, 2008 Board meeting and January 30, 2008 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 2/5/08.
- (B) 2008 Liquor License Renewals for Star Mart.
- (C) Authorize the Refund Request for Justin Lomax for \$2,188.40 - building fees.
- (D) Order No. 10-2008, "In the Matter of Adopting By-Laws for the Conduct of the Columbia County Unmet Needs Committee".
- (E) Order No. 11-2008, "In the Matter of Accepting Responsibility for

Storm Debris Removal Related to the 2007 Declared Emergency”.

- (F) Order No. 12-2008, “In the Matter of Amending Local Rule No. 4 Under Ordinance 88-3, the Public Contract Review Board Ordinance”.
(Authorizing Ruth Baker to give purchasing authority to the Chair of the Unmet Needs Committee up to \$10,000.
- (G) Authorize County Assessor to promote one Assessment Clerk to Clerk II and to fill a vacant Clerk I position.
- (H) Authorize Walt Pesterfield to fill one Parole & Probation Officer I position in Community Corrections.
- (I) Authorize Justice Court Judge Thompson to continue with 15 hours per week part time temporary help until a new full time clerk has been hired.
- (J) Authorize the purchase of 3 new transit vehicles for the Columbia County Rider Transit System.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (K) Cooperative Assistance Agreement with City of Vernonia for Storm Debris Services.
- (L) Intergovernmental Agreement 90G000124 with Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (M) Amendment #2 to the IGA between the County and the City of Portland to extend the Urban Areas Security Initiative Grants time period to May 31, 2010 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (N) Revised Amendment #15 to Department of Human Services 2007-2009 Intergovernmental Agreement #119925 for the Financing of Mental Health, Developmental Disability and Addiction Services and authorize Chair to sign.
- (O) Cooperative Assistance Agreement with the City of Gresham for Emergency Management Services and authorize the Chair to sign.

- (P) Amendment #2 to the Personal Services Contract with Shields Oblatz Johnsen, Inc. to extend agreement date to February 1, 2008.
- (Q) Amendment #3 to the Personal Services Contract with Shields Oblatz Johnsen, Inc. to extend agreement date to February 15, 2008.
- (R) Personal Services Contract with Casey, Weber and Associates to provide sex offender treatment services to Columbia County Parole & Probation.
- (S) Cooperative Assistance Agreement with the City of Columbia City.
- (T) Cooperative Assistance Agreement with the Oregon Department of Forestry for Emergency Management Services.
- (U) Re-approve the Contract with Road Builders, Inc. for the Timber Road Slide, to include Attachment "1".
- (V) Authorize Bill Potter to issue the REP for Architectural Services for the Jail Addition and to conduct and administer the selection process, with final approval by the Board of Commissioners.
- (W) Authorize the Parks Department to contract with Theroux Northwest, Inc. for removal and disposal of the mobile home at Big Eddy Park.
- (X) Cooperative Assistance Agreement with Clean Water Services for flood assistance in Vernonia.

The motion carried unanimously.

DRAFT AGREEMENT WITH WASTE MANAGEMENT:

After a brief review by John Knight, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the Public Services Contract with Waste Management of Oregon, Inc. for debris removal. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Tammy Maygra, 34319 Cannan Road, Deer Island, asked what the agreement with the

City of Portland is for. Commissioner Hyde explained that the agreement extends the Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) grant which provides funding for our emergency management system.

Tammy questioned the Surface Mining repeal process and understood it would be on the agenda today. The Board stated that matter was pulled from the agenda, however, should the County decide to repeal the SMO, it would be done through the public hearing process.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde stated that the legislative session started on Monday and there is a lot going on. He was in Salem yesterday testifying on a Bill that would put money into a coffer to allow up to a 25% match for local fire districts and other agencies involved in catastrophic disasters, such as flooding, earthquakes, etc. There are a number of other emergency disaster bills out there that are also being discussed.

He will be in Salem again tomorrow to attend the Governor's Recovery Cabinet meeting.

Pat Cunningham was present and stated that he has heard that the slide in Woodson was caused by clear cutting and asked if the Board could confirm that. Commissioner Hyde stated that the County has not received any official report yet on the cause.

COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:

Commissioner Corsiglia attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting this morning.

A lot of discussion was held on the issues regarding the safety of Cornelius Pass. Even though this isn't in Columbia County, it impacts many of our residents.

He wanted to congratulate Dee Robinson for the National Award she received for her work with the RC&D program.

Commissioner Corsiglia stated that there was a fire last night at the trainer center for the fire fighters and a couple of the firemen were pretty badly burned. He understands they have been released from the hospital.

Another issue discussed this morning at the Traffic Safety Committee meeting was the projections they received regarding the current snowpack and the potential for a warm front coming up from the south, and how it could cause more extensive flooding.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard attended the Democratic Committee meeting last night.

She attended the CEPA meeting yesterday. A lot of review and discussion on the recent flood event and the pros and cons on how it was handled.

On Monday, she was in Salem for the opening of the Legislature and then attended the AOC meeting on Human Services, who presented their strategic plan and meth plan for next year.

While in Salem, she sat through the beginning session of the House, which was very interesting.

She attended the Jail meeting last week where discussion was held on the proposed expansion of the Jail.

On Friday, she made the last part of the St. Helens City Council meeting to discuss clustering.

Last Thursday evening she attended the FEMA meeting out at the Vernonia Grade School. Representative Witt and Senator Johnson have promised to pursue any problems people are having with their insurance companies.

INMATE APPRECIATION:

Commissioner Hyde felt it was important to share that he had the opportunity last week to be in Salem for a luncheon to thank the 254 prison inmates that volunteered in Columbia County, from dark to dark, during the recent flooding. The Governor was there along with the inmates families. He had a totally different opinion of the prison inmates before he saw the guys working shoulder to shoulder, doing things none of us would want to do. They did it with a smile and decorum and

he saw them start to get some dignity back. This was all voluntary. The inmates turned in credit cards, cash and jewelry they found when cleaning up. What these guys did was invaluable and they gained a lot of respect from the people. He can't say enough good about what they did and how they did it.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 6th day of February, 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: _____

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____

Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: _____

By: _____

Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Jan Greenhalgh