

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

May 27, 2009

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Rita Bernhard, Commissioner Anthony Hyde and Commissioner Earl Fisher, 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 Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the May 12, 2009 Work Session, May 13, 2009 Board meeting and May 13, 2009 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

With no changes/additions, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select-to-Pay for 5/19/09 & 5/26/09.
- (B) Ratify Partition Plat for Dave Moloney and Rosemary Lohrke.

- (C) Order No. 25-2009, "In the Matter of Amending the Columbia County Enforcement Ordinance, Incorporating Position and Personnel Changes".
- (D) Order No. 27, 2009, "In the Matter of Dedicating Property owned by Columbia County as Additional Right-of-Way for Public Road and Utility Purposes [Gable County Road No. 40 near St. Helens, Oregon]".
- (E) Special Warranty Deed for John Hancock Life Insurance Company for Parcel 1 (4N3W13-C0-00100) for CZ Trail.
- (F) Approve the modified language to the Columbia County Flood Recovery Acquisition Program Residential Antidisplacement and Relocation Assistance Plan to designate priority to eligible residents in the unincorporated areas of Columbia County and secondarily to the eligible residents in the City of Vernonia.
- (G) Authorize the purchase of (1) Jail Transport Van and (1) Tahoe 4WD for the Sheriff's Department.
- (H) Appoint Joan Youngberg to the Commission on Children & Families Committee for a four (4) year term.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) Approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association for the elimination of Corporal classification.
- (J) Data Sharing Agreement with Northwest Natural Gas Company for LIDAR.
- (K) Intergovernmental Agreement #41300-05142009 with DOGAMI for LIDAR Data for North Coast area of Oregon.
- (L) Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Scappoose for the Havlik Drive Extension.
- (M) Approve State Grant Agreement #25620 with ODOT, Public Transit Division for \$549,393.00.
- (N) Approve State Grant Agreement #25706 with ODOT, Public Transit Division for 25,131.00.
- (O) Amendment No. 4 to Agreement No. 1759 with the Oregon Youth Authority and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (P) Amendment #71 to the 2007-2009 Intergovernmental Agreement #119925 with DHS and authorize the Chair to sign.

GRANT APPLICATIONS:

- (Q) Approve the Juvenile Accountability Block Grants Program Application and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH ANDERSON GEOLOGICAL:

Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve the Personal Services Contract with Anderson Geological to provide Phase One Environmental Site Assessment for properties located in Vernonia, Oregon. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bernhard attended the PGE Open House last night in Clatskanie for their project at Port Westward. There was a very good turnout and a lot of informational handouts.

On Monday she attended the Veterans' Memorial Day event in Scappoose.

She was in Vernonia on Sunday for Senator Wyden's town hall meeting.

From Wednesday through Saturday, she was in Pendleton to attend the NACo Western Regional conference. There were some very good presentations and some good seminars on partnerships and the tough times that everyone is experiencing.

She attended the Parks meeting last week. They are gearing up for a very busy season. They are also doing a number of weddings this summer.

A week ago she attended the Sacagawea fund raiser which appeared to be very successful.

The NOHA Board has received word that they will only be allowed to issue a certain amount of vouchers and that some people will be cut from the program. Commissioner Bernhard feels that HUD is an extremely difficult agency to work with and she has been very disappointed with NOHA's past discussions with them.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde attended the Homeland Security meeting.

He attended the NACo conference last week in Pendleton which he hosted the first couple of days as a Board member. It was a good meeting and talk about the re-authorization of the timber money was the main topic of discussion.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Fisher attended Senator Wyden's town hall meeting in Vernonia on Sunday.

He attended the Forest Lands Trust Land meeting. Timber revenue continues to be a point of concern. An alternate plan has been put forward that is significantly different.

He attended the PGE open house in Clatskanie last night.

He wanted to mention that CCCCCF is providing books for the summer reading program, with the help of Kiwanis.

On Monday, Memorial Day, he attended the Foreign Legion breakfast in Clatskanie.

Commissioner Fisher has been attending the AOC County College and they have been very useful in answering some questions. He asked about the process on staff evaluations and received an interesting response that he will be sharing with the Board.

While attending the PGE open house last night, he spoke with Judy Crafton about the Trojan facility and possibly using it as a skill center for the schools students. Judy Crafton said she is just waiting for some kind of proposal.

He has been looking around the courthouse and noticed there is a lot of junk stored around in different places. He would like to look at some ways to use our space more efficiently. This could also include moving some offices around to better accommodate some departments.

CANCEL BOARD MEETING OF JUNE 3, 2009:

The Board canceled the June 3, 2009 Board meeting. They will be attending a meeting in Salem that morning. The Staff meeting will still be held at 2:00 p.m.

The Board recessed the meeting at 10:45 a.m. and reconvened on Tuesday, June 2, 2009 at 2:15 p.m. Present were Commissioner Bernhard and Commissioner Fisher. Commissioner Hyde was attending a meeting in Salem.

Commissioner Bernhard called the meeting back to order.

Ruth Baker was present to give an update on the budget situation.

The Board then met with Department Heads to discuss purchasing authority and budget issues.

Commissioner Fisher discussed the energy audit that he is working on.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 27th day of May, 2009.

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, Board Secretary

Earl Fisher, Commissioner