

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

July 6, 2011

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Earl Fisher and Commissioner Henry Heimuller, together with Sarah Hanson, County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary. Commissioner Hyde was not present.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2011 Board meeting; June 22, 2011 Staff meeting; June 28, 2011 Work Session; June 29, 2011 Board meeting; and June 29, 2011 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Fisher read the consent agenda in full. Item (E) was pulled for discussion. With no other changes/additions, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of July 4, 2011.
- (B) Approve Personnel Actions for Elected Officials, Department Heads and Staff.
- (C) Order No. 55-2011, "In the Matter of Establishing a Speed Zone for River Front Road between Point Adams Road and Woodson Roads".
- (D) Order No. 56-2011, "In the Matter of Amending Fee Schedules for the Land Development Services Department Involving Building, Electrical and Other Miscellaneous Permits under the Building Inspection Program; On-Site Wastewater Program Fees; and Planning Program Fees".

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (E) Ratify Intergovernmental Agreement with Columbia Health District for use of the Columbia County Courthouse. (***PULLED FOR DISCUSSION***)
- (F) Notice of Award of HVAC Contract to Hydro-Temp.

(G) Agreement between Columbia County and the Upper Nehalem Watershed Council for Scappoose-Vernonia Highway Culvert Replacement.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM (E) - IGA WITH CHD FOR USE OF COURTHOUSE SPACE:

Commissioner Heimuller spoke with the Tammy Maygra, Chair of the CHD Board, regarding concerns they have with some of the language in the agreement. The concerns appear to be minor issues and he has scheduled time to meet with Tammy to go over those concerns. After his discussion with staff this morning, he would recommend that the Board approve the agreement today and allow County Counsel some latitude to make changes. After discussion, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Columbia Health District for use of the Columbia County Courthouse subject to approved housekeeping changes by County Counsel. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Not present.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to recognize Rocky Johnson, CAT Director, who retired last week and wanted to wish him well. Rocky has been a fixture with Community Action Team and in our community for many years and will be greatly missed in that position. However he is being replaced by Jim Tierney whose has also been with CAT for many years.

He wanted to mention that, on behalf of the County, Commissioner Fisher has acquired an entire truck load of surplus furniture from the Clatskanie PUD for use at the Courthouse. It's these type of things that show the partnership and cooperation amongst the different agencies. He wanted to thank Commissioner Fisher for the time he spent on this and Clatskanie PUD for helping the county.

Along with Commissioner Fisher, he spent Monday at the Clatskanie Heritage Days and had the opportunity to participate in the parade.

A few months ago, he began working with Ken Johnson and Nancy Harwood on putting together some volunteer staff for our local VA services. There are about a dozen volunteers and their final training was last Tuesday. This is a very active group and have gone through some rigorous training that will allow them to be full time volunteers for our veterans services and be a huge benefit to the program. Without these volunteers, this would not be possible

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS;

Commissioner Fisher mentioned the great time he had at the Clatskanie Heritage Days. It was a good opportunity to meet with the citizens and hear the different issues effecting their communities.

Some time back, the Board received a request from an individual for a waiver of the insurance requirement for the use of Hudson Parcher Park. A decision on that will be made at the next work session.

He attended a Highway 30 Safety Committee meeting this morning. Because of the financial difficulties in the county, it will be hard for the Sheriff to provide service along the highway. We all need to be careful and cautious drivers. Commissioner Fisher wanted to mention again that the County Courthouse will be closed every Friday beginning July 15th. However, the State Courts will be open.

He commented on the art being displayed in the Courthouse and encouraged local artists to get involved in sharing their art through this program.

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 July, 2011.

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: _____ Not Present _____

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____
Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Recording Secretary

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh, Recording Secretary

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