

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 7, 2012

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Earl Fisher and Commissioner Henry Heimuller, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the February 22, 2012 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

HEARING: APPEAL OF LUCS 12-13 FOR DEER POINTE MEADOWS MPH:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of an Appeal of the Administrative Decision by the Land Development Services Director for the Issuance of the Oregon DEQ Land Use Compatibility Statement (LUCS 12-13) for Deer Pointe Meadows Mobile Home Park".

Robin stated that a request was received yesterday by both the applicant and the appellant for a continuance of this hearing to March 21, 2012 while they work to settle the issues. With that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to continue this hearing to March 21, 2012 at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously

HEARING: ADOPTION OF RABIES VACCINATION REPORTING ORDINANCE:

This is the time set for the public hearing on proposed Ordinance No. 2012-1, "In the Matter of the Adoption of the Columbia County Rabies Vaccination Reporting Ordinance".

Robin noted that this hearing was continued from February 29, 2012. This is not a land use hearing so there is no set procedure.

Roger Kadell, Animal Control, was present to give the staff report. Since 2005, 80% of dogs licensed in Columbia County were not vaccinated. Other agencies requiring rabies reporting have shown an increase in licensing by 100% within 3 years. Lane County created a task force to study the issues, which took over a year. Their program was then implemented in 2003 and we now have the data from 8 years experience. Roger explained that the simple process would be for vets to print one additional copy of the vaccination paperwork and place it in a file for pickup by the Animal Control Officer. With funds becoming tight, Roger feels this is win-win situation for all and he would recommend adoption of this ordinance.

The hearing was opened for public testimony.

Alta Lynch, PO Box 369, Scappoose: Alta asked about the people that take their animals to other counties - how with this effect them? Roger stated that he has a reciprocal agreement with Multnomah County and will be obtaining those with other counties as they too adopt this ordinance. However, there will be those who are missed.

With no further testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed. Commissioner Heimuller asked Roger about the response from the vets and the realistic risks of people going outside Columbia County for vet services. Roger stated that the vets appear to be in agreement with this ordinance because it really add no additional work for them and, as for those going outside the county because of this ordinance, he believes the percentage would be very low.

As there are some logistical issues to still be addressed by the County Clerk and staff, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to carry over deliberations in this matter to March 14, 2012 at or after 10:00 am. The motion carried unanimously.

DON CAMPBELL COMMENTS:

Don Campbell was present to ask about the hearing that was to be held today at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Hyde explained that, due to the request by both parties, that hearing is being continued to Wednesday, March 21, 2012 at 10:00 am. He also noted that written testimony and emails will be accepted into the record.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. Item (D) was pulled and carried over to the Staff meeting. 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 2/27/12 & 3/5/12.
- (B) Resolution No. 9-2012, "In the Matter of the Adoption of a Resolution in Support of the Proposed O&C Trust, Conservation and Jobs Act".
- (C) 2012 Liquor License Renewals for Goble Tavern; Multnomah Channel Yacht Club; Scappoose Market; Deer Island Store; and KR Family Catering.
- (D) Approve the Application for Real and Personal Property Tax Exemption and authorize the Chair to sign. (*Pulled for discussion at Staff Meeting*)

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (E) Ratify initials on Safe Kids USA Local Coalition Agreement to add Guidelines to the agreement.
- (F) Ratify First Amended Supplemental Escrow Instructions for the Vernonia School New Spencer Park Project and authorize Jennifer Cueller to sign.
- (G) Amendment to Intergovernmental Agreement between Columbia County and UASI Countywide Sub-Recipient Agencies.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde reported on the NACo conference held in Washington DC. He returned home last night about midnight. He spent a lot of time on the hill meeting with our legislative delegates and their staff working on everything from health care to

timber funding. Bonimici seemed to be very up to speed on the major issues facing Oregon.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Fisher felt it is extremely important for the people to be aware of the severe reductions to our state and local budgets. Basic services will be impacted.

Yesterday, in Astoria attending an Early Learning Council meeting.

This afternoon he will be traveling to the Dalles for a GOBHI meeting.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

He wanted to express his appreciation for Commissioner Hyde's work in DC this past week and a shout to our legislative team in Salem. These are tough economic times and there is a lot of hard work ahead.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 7th day of March, 2012.

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: _____

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: _____

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner