

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 23, 2013

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Anthony Hyde, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator. Commissioner Fisher was not present.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller moved seconded to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2013 Board meeting; January 7, 2013 Staff meeting; and January 16, 2013 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Heimuller read the consent agenda in full. Item (D) was pulled and held over. With no other changes/additions, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 1/7/13 and 1/16/13.

- (B) Ratify the reappointment of Deloris Bellingham, Position #4, to the Columbia County Fair Board for a (4) year term.
- (C) Resolution No. 1-2013, "In the Matter of Authorizing a Special Public Works Fund Contract with the Oregon Infrastructure Finance Authority for Emergency Road Repairs for Nick Thomas Road, Harris Road and Flora Road".
- (D) Order No. 2-2013, "In the Matter of Amending the Rules and Regulations and Fee Schedule Governing Columbia County Forests, Parks, Beaches, Docks and Other Recreational Facilities Subject to Ordinance No. 94-9 and Amending the Application and Agreement for the Reserved Used of Park Facilities". (*Pulled and held over*)
- (E) Reappoint Jan Kenna to the Columbia County Transportation Citizen Advisory Committee for a (3) year term.
- (F) Appoint Sally Ann Marson to the Columbia County Transportation Citizen Advisory Committee for a (3) year term.
- (G) 2013 Social Gaming License for the St. Helens Moose Lodge #591.
- (H) FY 2013-15 FTA Section 5310 Application for public transit.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) Personal Services Contract with Lower Columbia Engineering for the Scappoose Park and Ride Site Assessment.
- (J) Amendment #1 to the Local Agency Agreement #26283 with ODOT for the Fishhawk Creek Bridge No. 13670A project.
- (K) Emergency Management Performance Grant Agreement CFDA #97.042 with the Oregon Office of Emergency Management for Grant #12-506 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (L) Intergovernmental Agreement #28966 with the State of Oregon for Administering the Disadvantaged Business Enterprise Unified Certification Function.

The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING: CC RIDER TRANSPORTATION SERVICE REDUCTIONS:

This is the time set for the public hearing to solicit citizen input on proposed changes in transportation services provided by CC Rider.

Janet Wright requested that this hearing be opened and then carried over to a date certain, to allow staff time to gather additional findings and recommendations.

With that, the hearing was opened and Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to carry the hearing over to Wednesday, February 13, 2013, at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

He, along with Commissioner Heimuller, spent about 4 hours yesterday meeting with the Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee to discuss transit services and the different scenarios of what will happen to our transit system as a result of lost grant funding for the program. More information will be available in about 3 weeks. It's going to be a tough decision on where to pare down on services. Ultimately, the need is to look at creating a more sustainable system for our transit program.

He commented on the Governor's committee that is looking at active management of federal forests. He sits on the committee but, at this point, cannot discuss their findings.

The Governor should be putting out a press release in the next couple of days. He found these meetings to be worth the time and effort, but there is still a long road ahead for a long term active management plan of 52% of the State.

On Friday, he met with the Director of the Regional Disaster Preparedness Organization, of which Columbia County is one of the 5 county members. This organization basically takes the place of UASI.

He reported that Commissioner Fisher is doing well and should be back to work soon.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller can't emphasize enough about how important it is to have Commissioner Hyde sitting on the forest management planning committee in Salem. It's so important to have Columbia County represented and the voice of rural Oregon involved in this process.

On Wednesday, he attended the RSVP council meeting. At that meeting, Nancy Harwood announced her retirement, effective 6/30/13. She has been operating the RSVP program for about 26 years. All the best to her. Other news during that meeting - they were informed that CRF&R, the host agency for RSVP and the Foster Grandparents, have chosen not to remain the sponsoring agency. If a sponsor drops out of a program, the program just goes away, with no opportunity to find a new sponsor. He is working daily with those at the federal level to find a way to salvage these programs.

For those interested, the Tillamook County Fair is being featured on the Travel Channel this week and it's the only Oregon fair being highlighted.

Tomorrow, he and Commissioner Hyde will be meeting up with the new Director of the Division of State Lands, Senator Johnson and staff at Dibblee Point for the Columbia County portion of a field trip that started in Tillamook County. The group will be

stopping at Port Westward, the City of Clatskanie then on to Dibblee Point with the tour ending at City Hall in St. Helens. This tour is basically to familiarize the new Director to the north coast area and our counties. We look forward to sharing our needs with new Director Abrams.

On a personal note, he attended the Oregon State Dairy Princess Coronation last weekend in Salem. His daughter is the Columbia County Princess and all of girls did a spectacular job. He wanted to give a shout out to the Dairy Farmers of Oregon, the Oregon Dairy Women's Association and the Oregon Dairy Council whose focus, among other things, is to help create our leaders of tomorrow.

He wanted to mentioned that he authorized the use of the annex room this past Saturday for the annual "Parents of Murdered Children" event. They hold this event on the birthday of a child involved in a local case. He was in attendance and was asked to release a balloon by Mrs. Painter in memory of her son Ralph Painter. It was a very touching event with approximately 30-40 people in attendance.

On a business note, he attended the ribbon cutting for the new Verizon store that recently opened in St. Helens, which created 5 new jobs.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Not present.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 23rd of January, 2013.

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: _____

Henry Heimuller, Chair

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

By: _____ Not Present

Board Office Administrator

Earl Fisher, Commissioner