

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 30, 2013

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Anthony Hyde, together with Sarah Hanson, 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 23, 2013 Board meeting and January 23, 2013 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Al Petersen, 155 Clark St., St. Helens: He wanted to inform the Board that, last Friday, LCDC held their Board meeting and staff was instructed to drop the Priscilla Jauron appeal to LUBA.

BARBARA WOOD, CAT: HOMELESSNESS EMERGENCY SERVICES GRANT:

Barbara Wood, Community Action Team, came before the Board to discuss the Emergency Solutions Grant, which is homeless grant applied for through Community Action Team. There is a requirement that the funding plan be approved by the local government. Barbara has provided the Board with information on the funding formula

and explained how the money is divided between the three county region. After review and discussion, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Certification of support for the Emergency Services Grant application by Community Action Team, as presented by Barbara Wood. The motion carried unanimously.

While present, Barbara addressed the 10 year plan to end homelessness. The federal government has taken a stance that they want all communities to have a 10 year plan to end homelessness. Since she began with CAT, she has conducted research throughout the county and gathered information that CAT has collected over the years, and with that information, has drafted a plan to submit to the State. There is talk that this may be required for counties to obtain homeless funding. What this hasn't done is gone through the community vetting process so it was suggested that the Board of Commissioner's hold a town hall type of venue sometime in the future.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Heimuller read the consent agenda in full. With no 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 1/21/13 and 1/28/13.
- (B) Approve Personnel Action for Jean Ripa.
- (C) Appoint Dee Vadnais to the Columbia County Cultural Coalition Committee for a (3) year term.
- (D) Reappoint Andrew Demko and Larry Cole to the Columbia County Cultural Coalition Committee for a (3) year term and Ernie Carmen to a (2) year term.
- (E) Approve the following and authorize the Chair to sign:
 - Firearms Range Buyer's Settlement Statement;
 - Firearms Range Sale Escrow Instructions;
 - Firearms Range Special Warranty Deed;

- Firearms Range Preliminary Title Report; and
 - Firearms Range Restrictive Covenant.
- (F) Grant Project Application for Safe Kids Community County CPS Grant OP-13-45-12 ccc and authorize Jan Kenna to sign.
- (G) Approve Title III Project Certification Reports under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000, re-authorized in Public Law 110-343 and authorize the Chair to sign for the following projects:
- Oregon Department of Forestry's Firewise Forester program as approved by Board Orders No. 17-2011 and No. 6-2012;
 - Columbia County Forest, Parks and Recreation's Alder Creek Bridge Project approved by Order No. 17-2011; and
 - Columbia County Forest, Parks and Recreation's CZ Trail/Logging Road Project approved by Order 6-2011.
- (H) Approve letter to the Secretary of the Interior forwarding Project Certification Reports and authorize the Chair to sign.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) Agreements and Assurances for Safe Kids Community County CPS Grant OP-13-45-12 ccc and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

ORDER 4-2013: APPROVE UPDATED COORDINATED TRANSPORTATION PLAN:

Roy Weedman, CC Rider, was present to answer any questions. The amendments to this plan have approved by the Citizens Transportation Advisory Committee and previously reviewed by the Board. With no additional discussion, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve Order No. 4-2013, "In the Matter of

Approving the Updated Columbia County Coordinated Human Services Public Transportation Plan (the “Coordinated Plan”). The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde reported that Commissioner Fisher is doing better and should be back to work soon.

Last Thursday, he and Commissioner Heimuller traveled the Columbia County leg of a tour with the new Department of State Lands Director (Abram) and Senator Betsy Johnson. Ms. Abram’s appeared to be very impressed with the facility at Port Westward. They also visited Dibblee Point beach.

On Monday, there was an announcement that the ethanol plant at Port Westward has been sold. He has met with the buyer who appears to be a very positive company. This is good news for Columbia County and helps fill in our tax increment portfolio.

Yesterday, the Governor’s O&C panel was called back and, although he was home sick, he was able to participate in the meeting using “GO TO”. He also attended a meeting at PSU by phone tree in the afternoon. There should be a press release by Monday from the Governor on the findings and on his level of support.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller also commented on the tour last week. He was very impressed with the new DSL Director, Mary Abrams. She seems to be a very intelligent and friendly person and he looks forward to working with her in the future. He also wanted to

recognize Senator Johnson for coordinating this tour, which happened to be the first of these tours in Oregon.

He spent the day yesterday at the State Assessor's conference. Sue Martin, Columbia County Assessor, is the President of their association this year and hosted the event. Our county staff was very well received, very professional and he was so very impressed.

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 30th 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

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By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

Board Office Administrator

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: _____ Not Present _____

Earl Fisher, Commissioner