

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

July 3, 2013

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Henry Heimuller, Commissioner Anthony Hyde and Commissioner Earl Fisher, together with Sarah Hanson, County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the June 26, 2013 Board meeting and June 26, 2013 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

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

- (B) Appoint Renate Garrison to the position of Emergency Management Director, effective July 1, 2013.
- (C) Approve Personnel Action for Renate Garrison and hiring letter.
- (D) Resolution No. 34-2013, "In the Matter of Declaring a Fiscal Emergency and Modifying Recording Dates under ORS 205.242 for the Columbia County Clerk".

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (E) Agreement #29509 with ODOT, Public Transit Division for 2013-15 STF Formula.

- (F) Amendment #20 to the 2011-2013 IGA with DHS and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON PUD CONSTRUCTION AT FAIRGROUNDS:

Sarah Hanson explained that Columbia River PUD has begun construction on their site at the Fairgrounds. When this property transfer came about, there were some issues with access to the Little League field. It is anticipated that there will be a permanent solution to this issue by October, but there is a short term need for access for the little league season. Sarah understands that CRPUD Board is working on approving a temporary access but she has not heard anything yet from the Fair Board. After discussion on the short term needs, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to authorize staff to prepare a temporary access easement over CRPUD substation site. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(e)(f):

The Board recessed to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(e)(f). Upon coming out of Executive Session, no action was taken by the Board.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(d):

The Board immediately recessed the regular session and went back into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(d). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the letter to Evan Wickershame, with modifications, from the Board of Commissioners. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

No comments.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Fisher encouraged people to participate in the “Wag a Walk” taking place in St. Helens tomorrow and the many 4th of July activities throughout the county.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to acknowledge the recent loss of 19 firefighters in Arizona this past week. It’s an incredible loss and our hearts and prayers go out to those families.

FY 2013 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PERFORMANCE GRANT:

Renate Garrison and Vincent Aarts, came before the Board to address the annual Emergency Management Performance grant that helps fund EM department. After review of the details, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to

approve the FY 2013 Emergency Management Performance Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

MEET WITH OREGON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

The Board met with Renate Garrison, Vincent Aarts, along with OEM representatives Matthew Marheine, Sidra Metzger-Hines, and Jim Adams to discuss the EOC facility project and confirm to OEM that this project is moving forward. Jim has been with OEM for many years and wanted the Board to know that Renate has been absolutely great to work with and in keeping OEM updated throughout this project.

Sidra stated that OEM wants this project to move forward and they are willing to help get things done. What they want to see at the ribbon cutting is the 3 office spaces that FEMA approved.

Matthew appreciates the opportunity to meet with the Board to make this project successful. They had some concerns because FEMA was saying, either get this project moving or they were going to force OEM to shut it down. It sounds to him like things are moving now forward.

AMENDMENT #2 TO OEM OPERATIONS CENTER GRANT:

While present, Renate briefly reviewed an amendment to the EOC grant that needs Board approval. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Amendment #2 to Oregon Emergency Management Operations Center Grant Program CFDA #97.052 and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 3rd day of July, 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

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Henry Heimuller, Chair

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Jan Greenhalgh

Board Office Administrator

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Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner