

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 19, 2014

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

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 March 12, 2014 Board meeting and March 12, 2014 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITORS:**

***Richard Melton, 55141 Columbia River Hwy, Scappoose:*** Richard first asked Commissioner Heimuller if he found out anything regarding his porch light issue. Richard still has not got any answers. Commissioner Heimuller responded that he believes a plan has been worked out and, if Richard can wait until after this meeting, he will take him down to meet Todd Cunningham who will take care of Richards issue the best he can.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 3/17/14.
- (B) Cancel the March 26, 2014 Board and Staff meeting.
- (C) Resolution No. 7-2014, "In the Matter of Authorizing Chuck Daughtry to Sign an Extended Enterprise Zone Agreement with Clear Water Manufacturing Corporation".
- (D) Resolution No. 8-2014, "In the Matter of Authorizing Chuck Daughtry to Sign an Extended Enterprise Zone Agreement with Photosolutions, Inc."
- (E) 2014 Liquor License Renewals for: Alston Country Store & Video; Tio's Quincy Market and Moose Lodge #591 St. Helens

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (F) Intergovernmental Agreement #165-150011-14 with the Oregon Secretary of State Elections Division for May, 2014 Primary Election and authorize the County Clerk to sign.
- (G) Public Road Event Permit and Indemnity Agreement for the Oregon Road Runners Club Vernonia Marathon and Half Marathon on April 13, 2014 and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

**JAIL CAPACITY ORDER:**

After a review of prior discussions on this matter, Sarah has prepared a final order for Board review and approval. The Board has reviewed the order and, with that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to Order No. 6-2014, "In the Matter of Instituting Examination of the Columbia County Jail for the Purpose of Obtaining a Recommendation Regarding the Maximum Number of Inmates Held in the Jail". The motion carried unanimously.

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**EXPLANATORY STATEMENT FOR JAIL LOCAL OPTION LEVY:**

The Board wants additional time to review the Explanatory Statement for the sake of accuracy and, understanding this has to be submitted to the Elections Office today, carried this matter over to the afternoon staff meeting.

**JAIL LEVY ADVISORY COMMITTEE:**

As directed by the Board, Sarah has prepared an ordinance that would establish the Columbia County Jail Operating Fund Advisory Committee. She reviewed the purpose and make up of this committee which would be created by Ordinance No. 2014-4 and include an clause so that it can be effective if the levy is passed. Procedurally, this can be adopted by giving the first and seconded reading at the next possible Board meeting. The Board is in agreement and directed this be added to the 4/2/14 Board meeting.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde attended the annual COLPAC meeting last week in Astoria. This is a federally recognized EDA district which includes Columbia, Clatsop, Tillamook and Western Washington counties dealing with economic development issues.

On Friday, Mike Borderline of the Oregon Department of Forestry retired. His understanding of the harvest management plan that will be hard to replacate and he will be missed.

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On Monday, he and Commissioner Heimuller were in Roseburg for the O&C meeting. That evening there was an elected officials orientation around the BLM Harvest Management Plan.

Yesterday he attended the HSEMC planning meeting. An update of the Hazard Mitigation Plan is due to be approved by FEMA in July so it is a top priority.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Last Thursday he met with Senator Johnson to discuss issues concerning the Oregon Health Authority and the contracts the county has with CCMH. He will part of a conference call tomorrow with the Director of OHA. He was in Medford yesterday for the Public Safety Meeting and had the opportunity to talk with other counties facing similar situations and problems we face with OHA.

On Friday he met with Mayor Pohl and a group of citizens in Clatskanie to talk about the Jail levy and the notion of creating an oversight committee, which was well received and highly supported.

Yesterday, he was in Medford for a public safety meeting to discuss what to do with the public safety issue. This issue is not a one county issue, it's happening throughout the State. We are looking at possibly closing our Jail and other counties are losing their patrols, etc. During the meeting, the group looked for some common standards on what is an adequate level of law enforcement. While down there, he toured Jackson County EOC facility, which is a very impressive system. Their system allows them to shut down various public buildings/schools at the touch of a button.

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**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Last Thursday he attended the NWACT meeting

On Friday, spent most of the day in Salem at the AOC Human Services Committee meeting.

Saturday, he and his wife attended the Columbia County Fair and Rodeo Annual fundraiser at the fairgrounds. It was very well attended - great auction and great meal. Kudos to the committee and volunteers who keep our fair and rodeo going with an entirely volunteer operation.

On Monday he was in Roseburg for O&C meeting.

Yesterday, he was in Seaside for the first of 8 workforce restructuring meetings. Very good round table discussion. Each region is represented by employers and the workers to get a very diverse input. The NW region (our region) has the best statistics state wide in every category, even with the change in contractors. He is very impressed with the group.

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to mention the passing of Kathy Barnett, a true leader in our south county community. Kathy, was a long time educator along with her husband Don. She was a very active in our local student foundation and quite a transit advocate. She will be a true loss to this community.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(d) - Bargaining:**

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The Board recessed the regular session to move into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(d). Upon coming out of Executive Session, no action was taken.

*The Board recessed the meeting at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 12:00 noon in the Commissioners Office conference room with all present.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(f) - Exempt Records:**

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

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 19<sup>h</sup> day of March, 2014.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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Anthony Hyde, Chair

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Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

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Jan Greenhalgh

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Board Office Administrator

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner