# COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS BOARD MEETING

#### **MINUTES**

## May 7, 2014

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Earl Fisher, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant 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 April 30, 2014 Board meeting April 30, 2014 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

### VISITORS:

Patrick Trapp, Port of St. Helens: He is here today to bring the Board up to date on where the Port stands on moving forward with the application for regionally strategic industrial areas. The Port will be working with Chuck Daughtry, CCET, to extend that application opportunity to privately held industrial properties that would meet the requirements. They have also met with all municipalities to also extend the opportunity for any municipal industrial properties that meet the requirements and that invitation also includes Columbia County.

Patrick presented the Board with a copy of a proposed resolution in support of the regionally significant industrial area designation and addressed the benefits of Senate Bill

766. He gave some details on individual property site vs the project, the application process, appeal process, etc. At this time, he is here only to update the Board and, at a later date, request for consideration of the resolution supporting the Port's application.

The Board will take this resolution under consideration. No action taken at this time.

## PROCLAIM MAY 18-24, 2014 AS "EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK":

Tyler Kehoe, Metro West Ambulance, is here to recognize that May 18-24, 2014 is Emergency Medical Services Week and to thank the Board for considering this proclamation. Metro West appreciates the opportunity to work with Columbia County and looks forward to continuing that relationship. Tyler also wanted to invite the Board to attend Metro West's BBQ on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at their Hillsboro base.

At this time, Commissioner Hyde read the proclamation into the record. After which, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to proclaim May 18-24, 2014 as "Emergency Medical Services Week". The motion carried unanimously.

### **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 5/5/14.
- (B) Appoint Carol Brandt (2016), Michael Carter 2017), Woody Davis (2016), Joyce Ervin (2015), Earl Fisher (2016), Jill Hult (2015), Cynthia Jaeger (2016), Jan Kenna (Director), Robin Loper (2015), Roland Migchielsen (2015), Diana Nish (2014), Holly Pennock (2015), Pam Ruddell (2015) and Joan Youngberg (2016) to the Columbia County Commission on Children & Families.

### **AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

(C) Agreement for Housing of Inmates by and between Columbia County and Norcor.

- (D) Oregon Health Authority 2013-2015 Agreement #143592 for Environmental Health Services and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (E) Amendment #1 to ODOT Grant Agreement #29038.
- (F) Amendment #1 to ODOT Grant Agreement #29509.

The motion carried unanimously.

## **COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde announced that he is the proud granddaughter of a heathy baby girl, Quincy Lane, born last Wednesday.

On Thursday, he was in Eugene for an O&C meeting and then headed to Columbia City for the town hall meeting.

Monday, the Board participated in the first Annual Columbia County Economic Team (CCET) Golf Tournament at Wildwood Golf Course. There were over 97 who participated and it was a great event. It brought a lot of different agencies and partners together. Yesterday, he attended a luncheon in Clatskanie to meet with representatives of a company planning to site an ethanol plant at Port Westward. Over 80 people attended and it is a very encouraging project that would be great for Columbia County and create a lot of high paying jobs.

### **COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

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Commissioner Fisher wanted to applaud Rosemary Lohrke and Alta Lynch for their work in putting together the recent candidates forum. He mis spoke last week when he included some that were not involved.

This morning attended a meeting at the Road Department to meet with ODOT on the possible safety improvements to Hwy 30 and Bennett Road. They ware working on a design that will meet local demands while ensuring the safety of the road.

Also attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting this morning.

Yesterday, he attended the CEPA meeting, which is always informative. There was a representative from the Red Cross and he learned that there is no one here in Columbia County that would be part of their emergency team for local response. Anyone interested in volunteering should contact the Red Cross directly.

Last Thursday, he was in Columbia City for a town hall meeting to talk about the County Jail. There were about 25-30 people there and a lot of good questions were asked and hopefully answered.

He also attended the Rainier City Council meeting to discuss Jail issues. He has heard that some people think that the County will just bail out the Jail at the last minute if the levy doesn't pass. He can't stress enough that simply is not true. If the levy fails, pink slips are ready to be given out. It comes down to a simple yes or no vote, either you want the jail or not.

### **COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

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Tonight, he and Sheriff Dickerson will be making a presentation on the Jail Levy at the St. Helens City Counsel meeting.

Last Thursday through Saturday, Columbia County hosted the Annual Oregon Fair's Association conference at the county fairgrounds. This is a first for Columbia County and it was a huge success. He thanked Commissioner Fisher for being there to help out.

This coming Thursday, he will be in Warrenton for the monthly NOHA meeting.

He attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting this morning.

Later today, he will be heading to Salem for the *Connect*Oregon V meeting for our regional project application review process.

The Board will be meeting this Friday for a tour of the PGE plant at Port Westward.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2014.

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

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