

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES

September 10, 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 September 3, 2014 Board meeting and September 3, 2014 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITORS:**

None.

**PROCLAMATION: "REMEMBER ME DAY":**

Commissioner Hyde read a proclamation into the record, proclaiming September 25, 2014 as "Remember Me Day", which is being sponsored by the Columbia Humane Society. With that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to proclaim September 25, 2014 as "*Remember Me Day*". The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 9/8/14.
- (B) Resolution No. 39-2014, "In the Matter of Authorizing Supplemental Budget Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2014-2015".

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (C) Amendment #7 to Oregon Health Authority 2013-2015 Agreement for the Financing of Public Health Services and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (D) Oregon State Service Corps AmeriCorps 2014-2015 Placement Site Contract for Full-time Member Positions and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC ROAD EVENT PERMIT - "BRIDGES TO BREAKERS":**

Lonny Welter, Road Department, addressed the "Bridges to Breakers" bicycle event scheduled for September 27, 2014. All required documents, fees and insurance has been received. The Indemnity Agreement needs to be approved by the Board to allow this event to take place. Due to the transition of public event permit duties within the county, this application is coming to the Board last minute. It was noted that last year, discussions were held on the safety issues and concerns with the bike traffic traveling up Scappoose Vernonia Hwy.

Jan Greenhalgh, speaking as a property owner, wanted to express her concerns with bike traffic on Scappoose Vernonia Hwy. It's absolutely unsafe, not just for the bikes, but for the vehicle traffic. The road has sharp corners, no bike lanes and basically no where for

the bikes to get over - it's an accident waiting to happen. If this event can't be held safely, then the sponsor should consider changing the route or canceling the event.

The Board considered the application and, due to the delay on the county's part in processing it, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Indemnity Agreement for the Public Road Event known as the Bridges to Breakers to be held on 9/27/14 and authorize the Chair to sign.

However, because of the safety concerns, this route will not be approved next year and Lonny Welter was directed to convey this to the Bridges and Breakers sponsor.

**ORDER AND DEED TO CONVEY COUNTY PROPERTY TO HOOPER/LEACH:**

Robin McIntyre presented Order 34-2014 and the Quit Claim Deed, conveying county property to Linda Hooper and Randy Leach, which she would recommend approval. After a brief review, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve Order No. 34-2014, "In the Matter of Conveying Certain Real Property Located Between the Clatskanie Slough and the Railroad Tracks off Beaver Falls Road, Near Clatskanie, Oregon, to Linda A. Hooper and Randy L. Leach [Tax Map ID No. 7N4W04-A0-01300]". The motion carried unanimously.

Further, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Quit Claim Deed transferring property known as Tax Map ID No. 7N4W04-A0-01300 from Columbia County to Linda A. Hooper and Randy L. Leach. The motion carried unanimously.

**IGA WITH STATE ELECTIONS DIVISION FOR VOTERS PAMPHLET:**

After a brief explanation, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve Intergovernmental Agreement #165-150035-14 with the Secretary of State Office, Elections Division to produce the joint Voters' Pamphlet for the November 4, 2014 general election and authorize the County Clerk to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

**AMENDED RESOLUTION NO. 37-2014:**

Commissioner Heimuller explained that Linn County has declined to participate in the Regional Workforce Committee. As a result, the recent Resolution approved by the Board will need to be amended. With that, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Amended Resolution No. 37-2014, "In the Matter of Supporting the Designation of a New Local Workforce Investment Area Consisting of Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln and Tillamook Counties". The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Today there will be a ribbon cutting for the new art work displayed over the Milton Creek bridge in St. Helens on Hwy 30. The Board will all be attending that event directly after this meeting.

The Columbia County Employee Picnic is today at noon in the park next to the lower parking lot. Anyone is welcome to attend.

The Board members were all in Salem for different AOC meetings on Monday.

He participated in the Barbara Bullis Golf Tournament which was a fund raiser for the Columbia Pacific Food Bank.

Commissioner Hyde continues to work with all of the stakeholders on the O&C Secure Rural Schools funding issues.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Fisher commented on the county picnic today for the great staff here at Columbia County. He wanted to thank the staff for all they do throughout the year.

He reported on the first Early Learning Council meeting he recently attended.

On Monday, he was in Salem for various AOC meetings, in particular the Governance Committee. There are bills coming down on how to deal with marijuana, public safety, how to fund our District Attorney's, and other major issues facing Oregon counties.

Yesterday, he attended a meeting at the City of St. Helens.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Heimuller commented art dedication the Board will be attending this afternoon.

He will be attending the NW Area Commission on Transportation meeting tomorrow. On the agenda will be discussion on ODOT's restructuring of Region 1 headquarters. Found out yesterday that Larry McKinley is being moved Salem. This will be such a big loss to us, as Larry has been such a huge advocate of our region.

In addition to attending the AOC Public Lands and the Transportation Committee meetings, he also attended the Public Transportation Advisory Council meeting to discuss legislative agenda items.

Last night, he attended the second Jail Operating Citizen Advisory Committee meeting. They are moving forward in structuring the committee and staffing. There seems to be a lot of active participation and focus on their direction.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 10<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2014.

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

FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jan Greenhalgh

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Board Office Administrator

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner