

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

MINUTES

July 22, 2015

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 July 8, 2015 Board meeting and July 15, 2015 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

***Willy McClain, 315 S. 14<sup>th</sup> St., St. Helens:*** He is here to express his opinion on Weyerhauser locking their gates to the public and charging a permit fee to access their property. He has a lot of emotion about this and can't believe that they are locking people out. He asked if there is something the County is doing about this, because some of the roads that Weyerhauser is locking up are county roads. Janshaw Road is locked up and Alder Creek Road has "no trespassing" signs posted. The county needs to look at what belongs to the county and what is Weyerhauser's. Willy has hunted out there for over 45 years and this is just a slap in the face and there are many people out there at feel the same way. Weyerhauser has used the excuse that this will deter

vandalism and help stop garbage from being dumped on their property. The reality is that both of those problems are not as bad as they were years ago.

Commissioner Hyde responded. The County has received hundreds of calls on this very subject. The Road Department has been instructed to look at all our county roads and the state lands that might be gated. Once that is determined, then we will look at any recourse that County may have. As for the vandalism and garbage concerns, that's Weyerhauser property and the county can't say much about that. For the record, the county is looking at all of their options and although that will take some time, he wants to assure the public that the county is looking into this.

Willy noted that the Weyerhauser leased out some property to Pacific Stainless, he believes up on Smith Road, for hunting. Commissioner Heimuller will check into that.

#### **1<sup>ST</sup> & 2<sup>ND</sup> READING: ORDINANCE 2015-2 ADOPT PUBLIC CONTRACTING RULES:**

This is the time set for the first and second reading of Ordinance No. 2015-2, "In the Matter of Adopting Local Public Contracting Rules, Creating a Local Contract Review Board, Exempting Certain Classes of Contracts, and Adopting Rules of Procedure for Public Contracting". There has been a lot of conversation on this ordinance and the final product is now before the Board for consideration. With no objections, Sarah gave the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> reading of Ordinance No. 2015-2, by title only and noted that, if adopted, will become effective in 14 days. Afterwards, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2015-2, "In the Matter of Adopting Local Public Contracting Rules, Creating a Local Contract Review Board, Exempting Certain Classes of Contracts, and Adopting Rules of Procedure for Public Contracting". The motion carried unanimously.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 7/20/15.
- (B) Cancel the July 29, 2015 Board and Staff meetings. **(Deleted)**
- (C) Consent to Assignment with Brown and Brown Northwest and Beecher Carlson Insurance Agency.
- (D) Engagement Letter with Pauly Rogers and Co., P.C. for FY 2015 Audit and Financial Statement Services for the Columbia County Development Agency and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (E) Engagement Letter with Pauly Rogers and Co., P.C. for FY 2015 Audit and Financial Statement Services for Columbia County and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (F) Ratify the Request for Reimbursement of Funds document with Oregon Emergency Management for the Vernonia School Acquisition and authorize the Chair to sign.

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (G) Ratify Reinstatement Amendment to State of Oregon Intergovernmental agreement #143592 for Environmental Health Services and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (H) Ratify Oregon Health Authority 2015-2017 Agreement #148004 for the Financing of Public Health Services and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (I) Public Road Event Permit for the Ralph Painter Memorial Run.

- (J) Indemnity Agreement for the Ralph Painter Memorial Run.
- (K) Contract with TFT for Apiary Road Culvert Replacement.

The motion carried unanimously.

**YACHTS LANDING LEASE:**

Sarah Hanson referred to her memo regarding the Yachts Landing Sublease. Payment has been made on that, but in reviewing file she found that the termination date for the DSL lease is in January. We are required under the terms of the lease to apply for an extension with DSL six months in advance of termination, which is next week. Sarah has put together the application to DSL for an extension of the lease. It's the basic form as used in 2001, with some updates.

On a related matter, Commissioner Heimuller wants to have some discussion on the slip rates at Yachts Landing sometime prior to the end of that lease in December and whether we are at market rates. It was decided to hold those discussions at a later date.

With regards to the DSL Waterway Lease application, Sarah will finalize the packet and add it to next weeks consent agenda.

**PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT RADIOS FOR THE JAIL:**

Deputy Brian Bixley and Brooke McDowall came before the Board to request approval of the purchase order for replacement portable radios for the Jail. Because the purchase price is over \$50,000, it requires Board approval. If the order is submitted before the end of the month, the company is offering \$75 off per radio. Brian noted that this

purchase was budgeted for in the current Jail budget. The Board will review the document and add it to next weeks consent agenda.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

His last week was consumed with working out at the county fair. All of the numbers seem to be the highest ever. He wanted to say once again, a huge thank you to our Fair Board, volunteers, sponsors and everyone that helped make the 100<sup>th</sup> County Fair a fantastic event.

He mentioned that, also with the Fair, Kiwanis and Warren Grange - he just heard this morning that Highway was originally built in 1915 - 100 years ago this year.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde wanted to thank Commissioner Heimuller for the many hours he personally put into the Fair. It was one of the best he's been to. Fairs are one of the most important events for our children and families.

He attended the CCET meeting yesterday.

He mentioned that on August 8-9, Concordia College will be launching a writing program for our veterans, to allow them an opportunity to write their personal stories. The program seems to be helping a lot of veterans cope.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Last Friday, PGE held a picnic at Clatskanie Park. There were over 400 people in

attendance.

He attended the CCMH meeting yesterday. There was discussion on the new pain clinic that CCMH recently opened and the epidemic of over prescribed opiates and what that costs us all. The pain clinic is located in Scappoose.

He also wanted to thank Commissioner Heimuller, the Fair Board and all volunteers and sponsors for their hard work on this years fair. It takes a great deal of work to put this on. He wanted to mentioned that, while at the fair, a fellow came by and got very vocal about all of the bad things going on around the world. He was blaming one particular political party. Later, he saw another guy who took issue with a flip comment, and got very angry about government, specifically about the other party. People need to calm down.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of July, 2015.

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

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner