

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 5, 2016

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. He explained that this meeting was scheduled for yesterday, however the courthouse was closed due to inclement weather conditions.

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the December 23, 2015 Board meeting and December 23, 2015 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

***Sally Brandenfels, 32934 Pittsburg Road, St. Helens:*** She is here today to plead for mercy with regards to her family's items that remain on the Holly Farm property across from their home. There still remains hundreds of shipping boxes and other materials for their holly business. She went over the issues surrounding ownership of the property and the things she has been dealing with over the past few years, with the title company, banks, etc. Her plea is that she can be able to remove their things before the demolition takes place, which is scheduled for today. She truly appreciates the help that Commissioner Heimuller provided them during their wreath production business this year

and is now asking the Board for some additional time to move the containers and other personal property across the street.

Commissioner Fisher understands the hardship this family is going through, however there are some safety issues. Perhaps the demo crew can move some of the items over. Commissioner Hyde agrees but feels that would need some discussion with County Counsel. No decisions were made at this time.

**SELECT CHAIR/VICE CHAIR/BUDGET OFFICER/SET MEETING DATES FOR 2016:**

- Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to appoint Commissioner Hyde as Chair of the Board for 2016. The motion carried unanimously.
- Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to appoint Commissioner Heimuller as Vice Chair of the Board for 2016. The motion carried unanimously.
- Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to appoint Commissioner Fisher as the County Budget Officer for 2016. The motion carried unanimously.
- Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to continue with the current meeting schedule by holding the Board meeting every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. and the Staff meeting every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. for 2016. 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:

- (E) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 12/21/15; 12/28/15; 1/4/15.

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (F) Courthouse Art Project Release Agreement with Michael Brundage.

The motion carried unanimously.

**FAIR BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

The Board has conducted interviews for the 2 open positions on the Fair Board. At this time, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to appoint Ingrid Chamberlain to position #3 and Charles Weaver to position #4 on the Columbia County Fair Board. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to give a shout out to all of those who have helped out during the recent weather events, both public agencies and neighbors.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde reiterated those comments. Our residents have experienced some significant impacts, along with \$5 million in damage to our roads. Hats off to all the EOC and Road Department staff for their hard work and long hours during the weather events.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Fisher also wanted to give kudos to all of the agencies and volunteers who have helped out during the recent weather event.

Happy New Hoping this is a great year

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 5<sup>th</sup> of January, 2016.

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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

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Anthony Hyde, Chair

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

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Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

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

Jan Greenhalgh

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

Board Office Administrator

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner