

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

November 9, 2016

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 November 2, 2016 Board meeting and November 2, 2016 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

None.

**ORDINANCE 6-2016 - ACCELERATING REDEMPTION PERIOD:**

This is the time set for the second reading of Ordinance No. 6-2016, "In the Matter of Establishing A Procedure for Accelerating the Redemption Period for Waste and Abandonment". Sarah had reviewed this ordinance with the Board two weeks ago when the first reading was held. With no objections, Robin gave the second reading of Ordinance No. 6-2016, by title only. With that, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 6-2016, "In the Matter of Establishing A Procedure for Accelerating the Redemption Period for Waste and Abandonment". The motion carried unanimously.

**DELIBERATIONS - NW AGGREGATES ZONE CHANGE FOR SURFACE MINING:**

This is the time set for deliberations, "In the Matter of the Application of NW Aggregates for a Major Map Amendment from Primary Agriculture to Surface Mining to Expand the Existing Bates Roth Site to Allow Continuation of Mining Activity".

Robin - The Board held a public hearing on this matter 2 weeks ago, took testimony and closed the hearing and record. Since that time, the Board has received a request from the Scappoose Drainage District to reopen the record to allow additional testimony. Staff is recommending that the Board does re-open the record to allow for pertinent information to be submitted. The final order can be completed within the time requirement. Robin reviewed her compressed schedule so that the Board can conduct final deliberations and

make their decision by December 14, 2016 and the final ordinance can be adopted on December 21, 2016.

Commissioner Fisher asked Todd Dugdale if the information is relevant to what they discussed. Todd believes that the information submitted is relevant and useful and would benefit the decision making process. Commissioner Heimuller expressed some frustration with the information just coming before the Board, when this application has been in process for at least 6 months. That said, because staff believes this information to be important, he would support reopening the record. Commissioner Hyde agreed with Commissioner Heimuller's comments. With that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to re-open the record and follow the tight schedule set by staff. Under discussion, Commissioner Heimuller feels that making an informed decision is paramount and since the time line will fit, he will support this. 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 11/7/16.
- (B) Approve Personnel Action for Michael Ray.
- (C) Approve the creation of the position of Office Specialist in the Commissioners' Office and assign to non-exempt salary range 21.
- (D) Cancel November 16, 2016 Board & Staff Meetings.
- (E) Authorize Columbia County sponsorship of Kiwanis Holiday Hope Food Program.
- (F) Appoint Mike Greisen to the Columbia County Traffic Safety Committee, to complete the term of Jay Tappen, term to expire 12.31.2017.
- (G) Appoint Michael Ray to the Columbia County Traffic Safety Committee for a (3) year term, term to expire 12.31.2019.

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

- (H) Courthouse Art Project Agreement with Loretta Burg-Sampson.

- (I) Public Event Permit and Indemnity Agreement for the Reindeer Run on December 3, 2016 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (J) Purchase and Sale Agreement with Santos Gomez for property located at 943 Cougar Street and assigned Tax Map ID No. 4N4W5-DA-05800 and Tax Account No. 23434, in the City of Vernonia, Columbia County, Oregon and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (K) Purchase and Sale Agreement with Guy Fergusson for property commonly known as Tax Map ID No. 6N5W20-BB-02500, in Birkenfeld, Oregon and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (L) Rental Agreement with Richard and Lugene Ontiveros for Mobile Home at Hudson Park.

The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde will be in Astoria tomorrow for the COLPAC meeting and next week the full Board will be in Eugene for the Annual AOC conference.

He was in Portland yesterday working on a project with the Corps of Engineers.

Last Monday, he was in Salem working on a couple of projects.

Welcome Margaret Magruder as the newly elected Commissioner. He was happy to see that the Sheriff Levy passed and that the rock tax was defeated.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Heimuller commented on the national election. He truly appreciates the voting process and feels blessed and honored that we in the US have the right to vote.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Fisher met with Public Health last week at Peace Health in Longview and discussion was held on how they can work together to expand services here in Columbia County.

He will be in Portland today for the Oregon School Boards Association meeting. They will be talking about the impact that the election will have on the schools. He was glad to see that St. Helens passed their school levy. At the meeting, they will be discussing what it

means now that Measure 98 passed but Measure 97 failed, which would have funded Measure 98.

He wanted to thank everyone who participated in the election process, both local and national.

There was no Executive Session held.

With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was recessed until noon.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 9<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2016.

NOTE: An audio CD of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties. A video of the meeting is also posted on our website at [www.co.columbia.or.us](http://www.co.columbia.or.us)

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

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Jan Greenhalgh  
Board Office Administrator

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Earl Fisher, Commissioner