

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

February 28, 2018

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Alex Tardif, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator.

Commissioner Magruder called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the minutes of the February 21, 2018 Board meeting and February 21, 2018 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

*Brian Pixley, Sheriff's Office PIO* was present to give his weekly report to the Board. Past few weeks, the Sheriff's office has responded to around 460 calls for service, and what those resulted in, i.e. arrests, confiscated a lot of drugs, recovered a lot of stolen items, etc. The total for the 4 day Daniel Butts trial cost them over \$14,523. Of that, the State is reimbursing the Sheriff's Office \$3,473. The high costs were due to heightened security in the courtroom and with transporting Butts back and forth to the State Hospital in Salem every day. Brian also wanted to let the Board know that they are planning their annual overnight training session for the Search and Rescue in May. The Sheriff has also reimplemented the County Posse and they will be incorporated into the Search and Rescue program. Additionally, the Jail is planning an intensive in-house program for

those inmates that qualify. The program includes basic education, tutoring to obtain their GED, substance abuse recovery program, parenting skills, and life and faith based programs. The hope is to help reduce recidivism. The Board thanked Brian for his continued updates and noted that they appreciated the recent tour of the Jail.

***Rosemary Clement, 155 S. 1<sup>st</sup> Street, St. Helens:*** She is here to discuss her concerns with the recent information that the Dyno Nobel plant were aware that they were releasing gases and they didn't inform the public. She wants to know what is being done about this. Commissioner Magruder stated that Dyno is a member of the Homeland Security Emergency Management Committee and this is something that should definitely be discussed at their next meeting. Commissioner Heimuller is aware of this issue and that neither the county nor the City of Columbia City were notified in a timely manner. Dyno has a benchmark of rules that they need to meet. They have assured us that things have been tightened up and policy and procedures have been updated and are in place. Dyno has always been a good neighbor, but this incident is inexcusable. That said, the county does not regulate Dyno, the State does. Commissioner Heimuller suggested that, if Rosemary is interested in serving on the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council, she could complete an application and submit it to the Board office. Rosemary stated that she has already submitted an application through Steve Pegram.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for the week of 02.26.18.
- (B) Cancel the March 7, 2018 Board Meeting and Work Session.
- (C) Approve 2018 Liquor License Renewals for:
  - Alston Pub & Grub;
  - Tio's Quincy Market;
  - Multnomah Channel Yacht Club;

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- Rosebud Café;
- Goble Landing Store

The motion carried unanimously.

### **TRANSIT BUS PURCHASE:**

Chad Mace, CC Rider, came before the Board to finalize the purchase order for a 32 passenger bus. Robin reviewed the process and noted that the Board will need to approve the purchase order. After brief discussion, Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Purchase Order for the 32 passenger bus for CC Rider under ODOT Grant Agreement 31454, and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

### **RENTAL AGREEMENT FOR HUDSON PARCHER PARK:**

Casey Garrett, General Services/Parks Director, is requesting approval of the Park Rental Agreement with Bryian Peterson for the on-site manufactured home at Hudson Parcher Park. This would be a month to month rental agreement and has been vacant for a couple months now. Staff did some cleanup and the rental amount was slightly increased to \$900.00 per month. The agreement is retroactive by a couple of weeks because Bryian has already moved in. Commissioner Heimuller had some questions regarding liability insurance and who pays that. Robin noted that would be covered under the County's insurance. Commissioner Heimuller directed Casey to look into this to see if the renter should be paying for the insurance. After discussion, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Tardif seconded to approve the Park Rental

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Agreement with Bryian Peterson, with the caveat that Casey look into the insurance. The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Heimuller reported on the annual Jail inspection he participated in last week. He is always impressed with what they do to keep the Jail clean and safe.

He attended a CAT meeting on Monday afternoon and the CCET meeting yesterday.

Tomorrow he will be at the NOHA meeting, which is being held in St. Helens.

Friday, he and Commissioner Magruder will be heading to Washington DC for the annual NACo Legislative conference.

**COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Tardif also enjoyed the Jail tour last Friday. He was very Impressed with the cleanliness of the facility and professionalism of the staff.

Last night he spoke at the Democratic Cental Committee meeting. Discussion was held on the depletion fee, etc.

He wanted to offer his best wishes to Roland Migchielsen on his recent retirement. Roland has been the CCMH Director for many years and will be missed.

**COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Magruder is looking forward to the Hill visits next week to meet with our legislators during the NACo Legislative conference in Washington DC.

She attended the CCET meeting yesterday. Great updates by the OMIC people.

She and Commissioner Heimuller attended the South County Chamber of Commerce Awards event last week. Thanks all of those who received awards for everything they do for Columbia County.

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There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 28<sup>th</sup> of February, 2018.

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

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Margaret Magruder, Chair

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Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

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Alex Tardif, Commissioner

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Jan Greenhalgh

Board Office Administrator