

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 14, 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 28, 2018 Board meeting and February 28, 2018 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Brian Pixley, Sheriff's Office PIO, came before the Board to give his weekly update. They were involved with the Search and Rescue Team who aided in the search for a missing person and who ultimately found him. There was a recent press release on a search warrant served in the Clatskanie area and rescue of a number of cats and dogs. A couple weeks ago, he and others met with the Rainier School District Superintendent, and did a walk through the school to help in the preparation of a safety plan, in case there is ever any emergency, school shooting, etc. They will be meeting with the Clatskanie Superintendent next. The Sheriff's Office has received the Grand Jury inspection report for the jail and Brian shared the statistical information. Lastly, an update on new recruits;

2 new Corrections Officers and 2 new patrol deputies, are either still attending the academy or graduated and now actively working.

Commissioner Heimuller asked if the cat/dog situation was a known issue or a surprise. Brian stated that it was a known problem, so not surprised.

Circuit Court Judge, Jennifer Grant, came before the Board to address the carpet issue in Courtroom 311 and 351. It was well over 2 years ago that Casey said those courtrooms would be re-carpeted. She presented the Board with an air quality report conducted by Indy Safety, Inc. and shared those findings. She is here today to ask that the Board put the courtroom carpet replacement on a priority list. She wanted to mention that the State Courts are paying more than their share of costs and feels it appropriate that this project get completed. She would also ask that the courtrooms be vacuumed daily.

2ND READING ORDINANCE 2018-2: AMEND CCZO FOR MARIJUANA LAND USES:

This is the time set for the second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-2, “In the Matter of Amendments to the Regulations in the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance Pertaining to Marijuana-Related Land Uses in Unincorporated Columbia County”.

Robin recapped and, with no objections, gave the second reading of Ordinance No. 2018-2, by title only. If adopted, this ordinance would go into effect in 90 days. With that, Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to adopt Ordinance No. 2018-2, “In the Matter of Amendments to the Regulations in the Columbia County Zoning Ordinance Pertaining to Marijuana-Related Land Uses in Unincorporated Columbia County”. The motion carried unanimously.

LAWRENCE ROAD GATE:

This matter was pulled.

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 03.05.18 & 03.12.18.
- (B) Resolution No. 7-2018, "In the Matter of Appointing Teri Powers as Justice of the Peace, Pro Tempore, to the Columbia County Justice of the Peace District".
- (C) Order No. 8-2018, "In the Matter of Adopting the Columbia County Field Worker Safety Policy".
- (D) Order No. 9-2018, "In the Matter of the Petition by Joe Collum to Name a New Private Road, located off of Nicolai Road near Rainier, "Nims Way".
- (E) Approve 2018 Liquor License Renewals for:
 - Marks on the Channel
 - Deer Island Store
 - Scappoose Creek Inn
 - Historic Goble Tavern

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (F) Surplus Property Agreement with the City of Tualatin for Acquisition of Patrol Vehicle Computer Docks and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (G) Purchase and Sale Agreement with Rickey Ross and Jeanette Lynne Richmond for Tax Account Nos. 27355 and 27356.
- (H) Columbia County Kennel License Application and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO AWARD - RAINIER TRANSIT CENTER:

Casey Garrett, General Services Director, approached the Board to request approval of the Notice of Intent to Award the contract for the Rainier Transit Center to JH Kelly. He explained that this would be to demolish the existing gas station and build a new transit facility. After review and discussion, Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to authorize Casey Garrett to give Notice of Intent to Award Contract to JH Kelly for the Rainier Transit Center project. The motion carried unanimously.

RESERVE AMERICA FOR PARK REGISTRATIONS:

While present, Casey Garrett addressed Reserve America and that they are on track to go live next week. This will allow for online registration for County parks. Casey went through the financial details. Robin gave more detail on the financial risk, however it is very low. She also noted that, with the current system, money is being collected in a box, and sometimes sits outside at the parks for up to a week before it's picked up. The contract has already been approved so this is informational only and no action is needed.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Tardif participated in a substance abuse conversation yesterday, sponsored through Public Health and Columbia Pacific CCO. Great conversation and a great started for more work ahead.

He was in Salem all day Monday attending the AOC legislative meetings.

Last week he took a number of tours to see bridge work, trails, etc.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller had a busy day in Salem on Monday. He first attended the AOC Health & Human Services meeting and then headed across Salem for the Public Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

Yesterday afternoon, he was back in Salem for the final meeting of the ODOT, STIF/RAC meeting and was able to finish up the work on the Special Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF). The projects now go to the OTC for initial consideration on Thursday.

He and Commissioner Magruder were in Washington DC last week to attend the NACo Legislative conference. The hot topics of discussion were housing and the homelessness that is everywhere in the country; the opioid crisis, SRS and PILT funding, and veterans transportation to get medical services.

He gave a quick report and commented on the benefits of the NACo Discount Prescription Drug plan. Cards are available at the Courthouse, senior centers, and many other places around the county. This card also includes pet medications. This is a free

service. Additionally, they offer a dental, vision and a medical program for a small cost. Any questions can be directed to the Board of Commissioners Office.

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Magruder also reported on the NACo conference held in Washington DC last week. She felt their congressional delegation was very receptive to the issues brought forth. She is proud to say that Commissioner Heimuller was asked to introduce Congresswoman Bonamici at the SRS press contract.

She attended the Homeland Security Emergency Management Committee meeting yesterday. It's so nice to see our emergency management and our public safety people, working together to share information, equipment, etc.

The County has the opportunity to participate in the "Opportunity Zone" program, of which there are 3 of these zones in Columbia County that qualify. This is an opportunity for funding for economic development. Hopefully, Governor Brown will nominate Columbia County for these Opportunity Zones.

She wanted to mention that the Clatskanie School Auction will be held this Saturday night at the Clatskanie Elementary School at 5:00 pm.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

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Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 14th of March, 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

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____

Margaret Magruder, Chair

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

By: _____

Board Office Administrator

Alex Tardif, Commissioner