

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

April 11, 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 April 4, 2018 Board meeting and April 4, 2018 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Leannette Hellberg, 53180 Flint Drive, Scappoose: She is here today to again inform the Board that she continues to be victimized and verbally attacked by her neighbor. She has even been verbally attacked in Fred Meyers. Something needs to be done. Her husband is now carrying a pistol because they are done with this and they are not getting any protection from law enforcement. She believes this to be a hate crime only because they are new to the county. The Board stated they would followup with Sheriff Dickerson.

Brian Pixley, Sheriff's Office PIO, came before the Board to present his weekly update.

He gave the stats on the number of calls received, arrests made, etc. He is still working on pulling the statistics on new arrests versus re-arrests and will get that to the Board when completed. Brian reported on a suicide attempt and luckily that person was found safe. Also, a traffic stop resulted in the confiscation of drugs. The new drug K-9, that just graduated, was able to locate the drugs from outside the car, where the drugs were inside a double bagged backpack and concealed inside markers. Very impressive work by this K9. That case is being submitted to the DA for prosecution.

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 04.9.18.
- (B) Ratify Request for Change Order for Connect Oregon Grant No. 30620 for the Rainier Transit Center Project and authorize Janet Wright to sign.
- (C) 2018 Liquor License Renewal for: Bing's Restaurant.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (D) C14-2018 - Amendment No. 4 to Agreement 30801 ODOT Grant Agreement.
- (E) C16-2018 - License Agreement with the Rainier Senior Center for a Temporary Bus Stop for CC Rider and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

WEBSITE VENDOR CONTRACT:

Karen Kane, Public Information Officer, reported on the website vendor contract. After many months of work, a vendor has been selected and a contract has now been drafted and sent to EVOGov for their review. This company specializes in government websites.

Once the contract is signed, there will a 90 day turnaround to get the new website operational. The Board is excited to see the new website up and running and understands it will have a lot more information on it than the current website and will be very user friendly. Kudos to all staff involved in this project.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Tardif commented on the spirit of hate that is growing across the nation. In the end, we are all people. He would ask that everyone love one another and when you see hatred, rise above it.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller thanked Commissioner Tardif for that comment.

He attended the Northwest Oregon Housing Assn meeting last Thursday. They continue to work on finding and purchasing low income housing for the 3 county region, Columbia, Clatsop and Tillamook.

A shout out to the Columbia County Economic Team for the job fair they held in Columbia City last week. It was very well attended and the first hour was for veterans only.

He commented on the Rainier Transit Center that will start construction very soon. During construction, the temporary bus stop will be at the Rainier Senior Center

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Magruder mentioned that the Fox Creek group will be holding their annual trail cleanup in Rainier this coming Saturday, starting at 9:00 am.

The American Red Cross Blood Drive is being held today at the Courthouse.

The Estuary Partnership conference started yesterday in Astoria and will go through Thursday. It's being held at the Liberty Theater.

She encourages people to participate in our local Emergency Planning Committee. We can all learn to be prepared when a serious emergency arises.

The Board recessed the regular meeting at 10:45 am and reconvened at 11:00 am for an Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(a), held in the Board of Commissioner Conference Room.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(a) - Interviews:

The Board went into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(a). Upon coming out of Executive Session, no action was taken.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 11th of April, 2018.

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____

Margaret Magruder, Chair

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

By: _____

Board Office Administrator

Alex Tardif, Commissioner