

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

May 16, 2018

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Alex Tardif, together with Sarah Hanson, 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 May 9, 2018 Board meeting and May 9, 2018 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Brian Pixley, Sheriff's Office PIO, came before the Board to present his weekly update. He reported that the Sheriff's Office received 195 calls for service, 20 traffic stops and 5 arrests. The Clatskanie PD had 47 calls for service, 24 stops and 3 arrests. He is glad to announce they have 2 new Corrections Deputies graduating this Friday. Video visitation for the inmates went live last week. People can now do a video visit with an inmate from their own home or cell phone. Those visits need to be scheduled and there is a cost to the inmate. Brian mentioned an update on the recent sex abuse case - there are additional victims that have come forward from other states and there may be more. Last night he met with the Quincy Mayger Neighborhood Watch. The CCSO will join their network and work to clean up their area. The CCSO had a search and rescue

mission on Monday at Salmonberry Lake. Fortunately, it was just communication error between father and son and all was good. Brian did a press release on a stabbing in St. Helens. The female was transported to the hospital, however, the suspect was not found until May 11th and is currently in jail on multiple charges.

Leanette Hellberg, 53180 Flint Drive: She is here again because she continues to be victimized by her neighbor. She now has to walk around with her gun because of her fear of these neighbors. She has continued to request help from law enforcement but nothing has happened.

Don Campbell, 75735 Price Road, Rainier: As a followup on the Deer Pointe Meadows MHP, he has received a lot of calls from tenants at the park who are in fear of retaliation from the park owner if they say anything. He has been reporting the problems at this park for years and still nothing has been done. Commissioner Magruder spoke with the person who inspects the water and he reports that the water is discolored and has some

iron in it, but not a safety problem. She has also suggested that Don obtain written complaints from the park tenants, which can be anonymous, but she hasn't seen anything yet.

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 05.14.18.
- (B) Cancel the May 23, 2018 Board meeting and work session.
- (C) Approve Personnel Action for Todd Wood.
- (D) Approve Expectations Letter for Todd Wood.

- (E) Authorize Road Dept. Director to fill vacant Road Worker 1 position.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (F) C27-2018: Amendment 1 to EMPG Grant Agreement #17-505 effective December 18, 2017 between the State of Oregon, acting by and through the Oregon Military Department, Office of Emergency Management (OEM), and Columbia County and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (G) C33-2018: Oregon Rural Broadband Capacity Pilot Program Grant Agreement #15-17-672-C With the Oregon Business Development Department and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

CONTRACT WITH JOSEPH SUMMERILL FOR CONSULTING SERVICES:

Captain Tony Weaver was present to discuss the proposed contract with Joseph Summerill for consulting services for the Jail to help negotiate a new per diem rate with the US Marshall's office. Commissioner Heimuller asked what the benefit is of doing these negotiations under contract as opposed to doing this in house. Captain Weaver explained that Joseph has done this for years and has the knowledge to see things that could be missed by doing it in house. Joseph has worked for a number of counties across the country and is highly recommended. Also, if the county is not satisfied with the negotiations and do not sign a contract with the US Marshall Office, the county does not have to pay Joseph. Sheriff Dickerson mentioned that he will be meeting with the US Marshall's office next week to verify that they will continue at the current rate of inmates.

County Counsel will review the contract and schedule it for an upcoming consent agenda.

APPLICANTS FOR COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSITION:

The Board heard from David Brown, Jim Gibson, Anthony Miltich and Brian Pixley, all providing their qualifications and expressing their interest in the appointment to the Sheriff's position. No decision was made at this time.

OUT OF STATE TRAVEL - DA OFFICE:

Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the out of state travel request for Janice Faltersack with the DA office. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller commented that with yesterday being election day, he wanted to give kudos to the elections staff for all their hard work through the night to get all of the votes counted and posted.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Tardif wanted to welcome all of the new County Commissioners across the state who won their election, and thanks to all those Commissioners who did not get re-elected or retired, for their years of service while in office.

He wanted to remind all that the Sauvie Island Academy Auction is this coming Saturday. He needs to confirm, but believes it starts at 5:30 pm at Columbia Farms. The Sauvie

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Island Academy is a charter school with the Scappoose School District, with a path focused more on environment and nature.

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Magruder noted that this is Invasive Weed Awareness Week. This is a very important time for the State of Oregon. We have a lot of damage to agricultural crops and to our environment in general because of invasive weed species. So, if you see something growing that looks unusual or out of place, you can call the Columbia Soil & Water Conservation District or the OSU Extension Office.

She wanted to mentioned that the Scappoose Farmers Market opens this weekend.

She attended the SAFE Fundraiser last Friday. SAFE is a group that assists in physical and sexual assault issues.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 16th of May, 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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Board Office Administrator

Alex Tardif, Commissioner