

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

September 12, 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 September 5, 2018 Board meeting; and September 5, 2018 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

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

- The CCSO received 180 calls for service, 10 traffic stops and 8 arrests. The Clatskanie PD received 58 calls for services, 17 traffic stops and 2 arrests.
- He shared pictures of what can be seen with the body scan that the CCSO is looking at purchasing.
- The CCSO borrowed a boat from Multnomah County because the Columbia County boat is out for repairs.
- Corrections staff caught cocaine on an inmate in the booking process.
- Another inmate claimed to have ingested heroin, so he was placed on dry cell protocol for 4 days. There has been an uptick in deputies locating contraband in mail and on people trying to bring it into the facility.
- 2 Corrections Deputies graduate from the academy on Friday.
- USM Negotiations are nearing an end, and they hope to have word within the next couple of weeks.

Commissioner Tardif asked what can or is being done about the number of RV's being parked along side roads. They are either abandoned or someone is living in it? Brian will have to look into that and get back to him.

***Alta Lynch, PO Box 369, Scappoose***: She is here today to address the "Janus vs AFSME" decision. She would assume that the County HR Director has received a copy of the press release. Alta, as a member of this community, wants to make sure that Columbia County has done their due-diligence so that this county does not end up in a costly court battle. The Janus ruling confirms that government employees cannot be

forced to join the labor union as a condition of employment nor can they be required to pay agency fees in lieu of dues. The ruling has established that unions can no longer deduct dues or fees from employees who haven't knowingly authorized it.

***Lynette Hellberg, 53180 Flint Drive, Scappoose:*** She is here today to again inform the Board that she continues to be victimized by a neighbor for the past 5 years. She had a logger scheduled to come out to her property, but they pulled out because he was worried about possible vandalism to their equipment. She was walking with her father on the property and shots were fired. There needs to be a response to this harassment from someone. Her whole family feels threatened every day on their own property.

### **CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Magruder read the consent agenda in full. Commissioner Heimuller gave some detailed information on the temporary emergency speed for Timber Road during construction. With no changes/additions Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for the week of 09.10.18.
- (B) Appointments to the Columbia County Parks Advisory Committee: Courtney Elder to complete the term of David Somann, term to expire 12.31.2019; Steve Person to complete the term of Stephanie Klepel, term to expire 12.31.2021; Gerry Tinkle, term to expire 12.31.2022; and Ken Tennefoss, term to expire 12.31.22.
- (C) Order No. 39-2018, "In the Matter of Establishing a Temporary Emergency Speed for Timber Road between Highway 47 and the Columbia County Line".

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

- (D) C92-2018 - License & Maintenance Agreement with the City of St. Helens for "This is Us" artwork.
- (E) C93-2018 - Intergovernmental Agreement 165-10096-18 with the Oregon Secretary of State for Joint Voters' Pamphlet and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Tardif reported on the AOC legislative meetings in Salem he attended on Monday. Among other topics, a lot of discussion was held on Cap & Trade.

Today is the county employee appreciation picnic, so after the meeting he will be picking up his family so they can also attend.

Tomorrow is the COLPAC meeting at Stub Stewart which he will be attending.

Friday is the AOC District 7 meeting in Lincoln City. This is the regional meeting consisting of Columbia, Clatsop, Lincoln and Tillamook counties.

Tonight is the first Educational Town Hall Forum which will be held at the St. Helens Library at 6:30 pm. There will be a great group of panelists coming to talk about the economy and job potentials here in Columbia County.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Heimuller attended the NOHA meeting in St. Helens last Thursday.

On Monday, he was in Salem for the AOC legislative committee meetings. While in Salem, he also attended the Public Transportation Advisory Committee meeting.

He will be attending COLPAC tomorrow and then on to Lincoln City for the O&C meeting on Friday.

Next Monday, he will be attending the Columbia Pacific CCO Board meeting.

**COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:**

It's National Preparedness Month, so it's a good time to check you 72 hour bags and make sure you're prepared.

On September 20<sup>th</sup>, there is a National Alert Test, and everyone will be receiving a call or text.

Yesterday, she visited a couple Scappoose Bay Watershed Council projects. The Dart Creek project on Robinette Road - a very impressive project. This project not only helps fish passage, it also helps with flooding issues. The other project was on Scappoose Creek along Veterans Park, which was another great project in controlling flood issues.

The County will be holding their annual employee appreciation picnic today at the Fairgrounds. She is looking forward to all county employees coming out to enjoy the food and other events taking place there.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 12<sup>th</sup> of September, 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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