

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

March 20, 2019

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

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

MINUTES

Commissioner Tardif moved and Commissioner Magruder seconded to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2019 Board meeting and March 13, 2019 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITORS:

Joel Haugen, Scappoose: He is here today to convey a huge thank you to the Board of Commissioners for bringing the conveyance of the Chapman Landing property to the City of Scappoose to closure. It will take a few years to complete the project, but this is a great first step. Thank you again.

Phil Weaver, USDA Wildlife Specialist, 3413 Del Webb Avenue, Salem: He is based out of Gaston in Washington County and works with the USDA Wildlife Services. He would like to present an option to get a part-time program going here in Columbia County. He has the time to work a second county. Basically, it would be to work with ranchers, farmers, and the general public to trap problem animals, such as raccoons, skunks, beavers, etc. He can provide technical assistance and information. Commissioner Heimuller asked Phillip if he could provide the Board with some additional information about his services.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- A. Ratify the Select to Pay for 03.18.19.
- B. Order No. 15-2019, "In the Matter of Accepting the Dedication of Additional Right-of-Way on Gable Road in St. Helens from the St. Helens School District".
- C. Dedication Deed from the St. Helens School District for Additional Right-of-Way on Gable Road.

D. Order No. 9-2019, "In the Matter of Reviewing and Updating the Columbia County Nondiscrimination Policies on a Triennial Basis".

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

Commissioner Tardif wanted to mention that the District Attorney's Child Fatality Review Board was reinstated. It is critical to assess our needs in this county about why we have child fatalities and how we can eliminate those deaths as we move forward. He would be very interested in seeing the results they come up with.

Smile at someone new today and have a great day.

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Magruder commented on the Worm Moon we're experiencing the last couple of nights. They call it a worm moon because it is the time when the worms start working the ground to prepare for planting.

She and Commissioner Heimuller attended the City/County Dinner meeting last night in Clatskanie. The Port of Columbia County gave a presentation on economic development in Columbia County.

She also attended the Job Fair last Friday. Great turnout of vendors and those seeking jobs.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller reported that Gable Road has been shut down for a culvert repair. It should be open today but, if not, it will be very soon.

Last Wednesday, the Board received a report from the Oregon Health Authority on their review of Public Health in Columbia County. Even with the transition of services from public health to the county, and other changes, the report was good so kudos to staff for that.

He attended the CCCO meeting this week in Astoria.

Also attended the COLPAC and NWACT meetings in Tillamook last Thursday.

He reported that the daughter of one of our RSVP volunteers, Dena Chesney, has passed away. Our thoughts and prayers go out to her family.

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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 20th day of March, 2019.

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.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Henry Heimuller, Chair

By: _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner

By: _____
Alex Tardif, Commissioner

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh
Board Office Administrator