

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 15, 2020

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Alex Tardif and Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Henry Heimuller was not present, together with Robin McIntyre, Sr. Assistant County Counsel and Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator.

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

MINUTES

Commissioner Magruder moved and Commissioner Tardif seconded to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2020 Board meeting and January 8, 2020 Work Session. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS- 5 MINUTE LIMIT:

Evelyn Hudson 51204 SW. 4th ST. Scappoose, OR. 20th annual MeggaEgg Hunt is April 11. She asked if BOC would again this year sponsor transportation from St. Helens High School to the Columbia County Fair Grounds via CC Rider. The Board will discuss in the afternoon work session.

Brian Pixley Columbia County Sheriff, Presented the year-end report and invited the Commissioners and public to attend the Swearing in Ceremony on January 22, 2020 at 6 p.m. and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.

HEARING:

None

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Tardif read the consent agenda in full. With no changes or additions, Commissioner Magruder moved and Commissioner Tardif seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows: The motion carried unanimously.

- A. Ratify the Select to Pay for January 13, 2020
- B. Approve personnel action for Karen Schminke
- C. Approve Out-of-State Travel for Stacey Vandergriff to attend the Trauma Stewardship, self-care training in Seattle, WA. February 24-25, 2020
- D. Order No. 3-2020, In the Matter of Dedicating Property Owned by Columbia County as Additional Right-of-Way for Public Road and Utility Purposes (Saulser Road)
- E. Accept Dedication Deed for Additional Right-of-Way for Public Road and Utility Purposes (Saulser Road)

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

No Agreements, Contracts or Amendments

MATTERS:

None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- 1) ODOT-Improvements to US 30: Millard Rd. and Bennett Rd. Tony Snyder, ODOT Area Manager and Bill Jablonski, Transportation Project Manager presented a PowerPoint that updated the project with the county that began in December of 2010 when US 30 between Scappoose and St. Helens was designated a Safety Corridor. ODOT and Columbia County continued to move forward studying the section of highway in 2012. November of 2014 ODOT officially decommissioned the US 30 Safety Corridor designation due to a decrease in crash related accidents over time. ODOT concluded in 2015 their intent to add a signal at Millard Rd and remove the ability to make a left turn from Bennett Rd. onto US 30. Before ODOT begins bid process in fall, 2020 they need to enter into Inter-Governmental Agreement with Columbia County. Construction is planned for 2021.

County Counsel and Public Works have reviewed the agreement; Staff will forward that agreement to BOC for signatures later if you support the concept moving forward.

- 2) Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program -Pulled and will be rescheduled for January 29, 2020

Executive Session:

None

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Yesterday she attended a meeting with the Association of Oregon Counties and The Oregon Fair Association to discuss potential funding for all the County Fairs in the State of Oregon and an ask to the legislature in the upcoming short session for additional funding for deferred maintenance and management to keep these very important fairs going.

Columbia County Fair is an all-volunteer run fair and we refer to as the living room of Columbia County. Many events take place at our fair grounds and it is a very important place.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

Monday he attended AOC in Salem where as an association they are lobbying very hard to restore the CCBHC funding for behavioral health services. A lot of movement in the criminal justice for behavioral health funding in the short legislative session to shore up some shortages that happened in the long session.

Other hot topics is the LC19 also known as Cap and Trade. It looks like the legislature is trying to push that through again, so as a citizen if you are 100% in favor or 100% against it is important that we are paying close attention and speak our voice and what would be best for our community.

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COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Not present.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 22nd day of January, 2020.

NOTE: Audio/video of the meeting is also posted on our website at <https://www.columbiacountyor.gov/departments/BoardofCommissionersOffice/boc-agendas-minutes>

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Alex Tardif, Chair

By: _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner

By: _____ Not Present _____
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____
Jacyn Normine
Board Office Administrator