

**COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
July 22, 2020**

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Alex Tardif, Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Margaret Magruder together with Sarah Hanson, County Counsel and Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator via telecommunication with County Staff and members of the public.

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

MINUTES

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Magruder seconded to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2020 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS- 5 MINUTE LIMIT

Sabbath Rain, 56879 Columbia River Hwy., Warren OR. Opposed the Columbia County Sheriff's Office absorbing the Community Justice Department.

Carroll Sweet, 5277 Radinsky Rd. Scappoose, OR. Opposed the Columbia County Sheriff's Office absorbing the Community Justice Department.

Maddie Reese 3363 SW Meadow Brooke Dr. Scappoose, OR. Opposed the Columbia County Sheriff's Office absorbing the Community Justice Department.

PUBLIC HEALTH/ COVID-19 UPDATE:

Mike Paul updated the results of COVID-19 with the US at 3.9 million confirmed cases with 140,000 deaths, the State of Oregon has reached 15,000 cases with 270 deaths. Columbia County has confirmed 60 plus cases and no deaths. Columbia County's largest confirmed cases for one day was 6 that occurred earlier this month.

Discussion was held on testing, test results are showing that 6% of people being tested are testing positive. Our testing has increased since May and we are seeing increasing delays in receiving results.

Mike announced that more PPE will be delivered to Public Health this week.

211 receiving about 100 calls per day. The most common calls are in regards to mortgage assistance, general testing information, child care and utility assistance.

Public Health is still receiving calls from the public regarding people not wearing masks inside a public establishment. The calls have decreased, and Public Health is still sending letters to local business to follow up with the guidelines of wearing masks.

Please wear your mask, let's keep our business open as long as possible in PHASE II

Columbia County is still meeting the 6 indicators that allow us to be in PHASE II.

C-45-2018-5 Fifth Amendment to the Personal Services Provider Contract by And Between Columbia County, Oregon, And Columbia Health Services. Robin McIntire, Sr. Assistant County Counsel briefed the Board

on Amendment 5 adding Element 3 back into the contract until County receives Pharmacy License. Commissioner Heimuller moved, Commissioner Magruder seconded to approve C-45-2018-5. The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING:

No Hearings to come before this Board.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Tardif read the consent agenda in full. Commissioner Magruder moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the consent agenda and Agreements/ Contracts / Amendments with corrections to items # D & #E: The motion carried unanimously.

- A. Appoint Richard Greene as a member to the Jail Operating Advisory Committee (JOCAC) position #3 for a one year term to expire on June 30, 2021 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- B. Reappoint Gregory Lines as a member to the Jail Operating Advisory Committee (JOCAC) position #5 for a three (3) year term to expire 06.30.2023 and authorize the Chair to sign
- C. Appoint Scott Burge as a member to the Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee (CTAC) position #1 for a 3 year term with an expiration of 06/30/2023 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- D. Reappoint Claudia Eagle as a member of the Columbia County Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee position #5 to complete the term to expire ~~06.30.2020~~ 06.30.2022 and authorize the Chair to sign
- E. Reappoint Bill Eagle as a member of the Columbia County Citizen Transportation Advisory Committee position #4 to complete the term to expire ~~06.30.2020~~ 06.30.2022 and authorize the Chair to sign
- F. Approve Certificate of Appreciation awarded to Genell Grow in recognition of 7 years of service to the Columbia County Citizen Transit Advisory Committee.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS

- G. C62-2020, Public Recreation Facility License (#20912-LI) with the Oregon Department of State Lands for Beaver Boat Ramp and authorize Chair to sign

MATTERS:

No matters to come before this Board.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

No additional discussion items to come before the Board.

Other Business:

No other business to come before the Board.

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COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Magruder wanted to thank our Planning Commission staff and members for their efficiency in making the virtual hearing they held a success.

She mentioned Deputy Fiebech that is our new Deputy in Clatskanie. This morning as she was driving into Clatskanie Deputy Fiebech was on the tail of a speeder. So, fair warning, if you speed through Clatskanie Deputy Fiebech will stop you.

She congratulated Andrew Niemi, Lower Columbia Engineering on the opening of his ecological division. Andrew went to school in Clatskanie, grew up went to college and came back to Columbia County to start his business.

Also, Congratulations to the Fair Board on their successful plant sale this past weekend. Thank you Means Nursery for your donation. It was a great community event, participating in a safe distancing and mask wearing.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

It's Fair week, it feels a little lonely this year. Due to cancelling the Columbia County Fair & Rodeo this year the Fair will be losing a substantial amount of revenue. The plant sale will help offset that gap a little bit. If you have any ideas for events for the Fair Board, please give them a call.

He has been looking for additional space for the County to lease for additional meeting space, he has run into a couple of brick walls but still has a couple of more leads to follow up on.

Our Public Health and Emergency Management team have been working their tails off to make sure that things are done right and our citizens are protected best they can. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER TARDIF COMMENTS:

We had an economic development update yesterday, Clatskanie and Rainier were not aware of their CARES Act Funding reimbursement. They have been informed of this information and are very grateful.

Alice Whitley turns 100 years old today. Happy Birthday Alice. Congratulations!

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Board recessed the regular scheduled meeting to enter into Executive session 192.660(2)(d) and 192.660(2)(h) upon coming out of executive session, no action taken.

A brief discussion was held on the HARRS funding and CARES funding that will be on the agenda for discussion 07.24.2020

With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.
Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 22th day of July, 2020.

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NOTE: Audio/video of the meeting is also posted on our website at <https://www.columbiacountyor.gov/meeting>

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Alex Tardif, Chair

By: _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner

By: _____
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____
Jacyn Normine
Board Office Administrator