

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

WORK SESSION

August 10, 2004

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Rita Bernhard and Commissioner Joe Corsiglia, together with Sarah Tyson, Assistant County Counsel, and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary. Commissioner Hyde was attending a meeting in Salem.

Commissioner Bernhard called the meeting to order.

BUILDING PERMIT FEE INCREASES:

Todd Dugdale, LDS Director, approached the Board along with Rod Hansen, Building Inspector, regarding proposed increases to the Building Permit fees. LDS has completed the required review and notice process for these proposed changes. The reason for these increases is because the fees are not covering expenses. The permit fee changes are necessary to address the current subsidy to the Building program by the General Fund and to put the program on a self-sufficient funding basis. He noted that changes to most of the fees have not been made since 1990. The proposed changes have been discussed with affected contractors at a recent Builder's Roundtable meeting and they are in agreement with increases.

Rod explained that the State requires that the building program cover their own expenses, be self-sufficient. He reiterated that meetings have been held with the builders and they are in total agreement with the changes. After the fee increases are implemented, there is a 60 day appeal period. LDS would like the new fee schedule to be effective September 1, 2004.

After discussion, the Board carried this over one next week to allow County Counsel to review the Board Order.

RENEWED GRANT FUNDING FOR PART TIME VICTIMS' ADVOCATE:

Jerry Simmons, Undersheriff, came before the Board to briefly review a grant that is being continued. This is a renewal of a grant for a part-time Victims' Advocate position and this is the 3rd year of the grant. Jerry requested that the Board accept this grant and allow him to fill this position. After discussion, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to accept the grant and move forward with the process to fill the Victims' Advocate position. The motion carried unanimously.

VERNONIA DAY CAMP USE OF CAMP WILKERSON:

Cynthia has prepared an order granting permission to the Vernonia School District 47J, Echoing Evergreens Booster Day Camp to conduct archery and BB gun classes at Camp Wilkerson for next week. Therefore, she asked that the Order be approved this week. The Board agreed and added this order to the consent agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(1)(d) - BARGAINING:

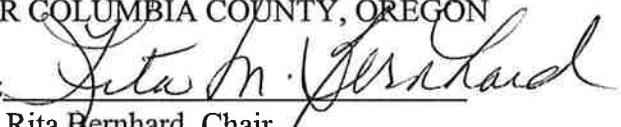
The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(1)(d). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Corsiglia moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to authorize the Human Resources Director to prepare a written denial of the Columbia County Deputy Sheriff's Association grievance. The motion carried unanimously.

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

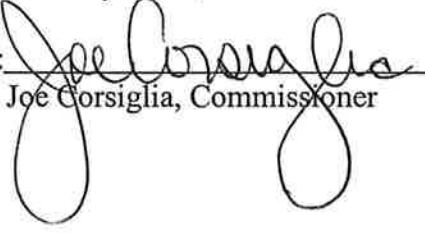
Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 10th of August, 2004.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

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By: 
Rita Bernhard, Chair

By: Not Present
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: 
Joe Corsiglia, Commissioner

Board Secretary:

By: 
Jan Greenhalgh