

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

April 18, 2012

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Earl Fisher and Commissioner Henry Heimuller.

Others present: Sarah Hanson, Robin McIntyre, Jean Ripa, Dave Hill, Tristan Wood

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(f): Exempt Records:

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(f). Upon coming out of Executive Session, no action was taken by the Board.

2012 CHIP SEAL PROJECT REQUEST/ODOT FUND EXCHANGE AGREEMENT:

Dave Hill and Tristan Wood presented the Board with the proposed 2012 Chip Seal Project and associated Fund Exchange Agreement with ODOT. The Road Department proposes to chip seal about 35 miles of road this summer with funding provided through the ODOT Fund Exchange Agreement. A list of the roads was provided to the Board for discussion. The Columbia County project request form has been completed and comments received from the Project Review Committee. Tristan will send those comments over to the Board. After discussion, *Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the 2012 Fund Exchange Agreement #28441 with ODOT for summer chip seal and paving projects. The motion carried*

unanimously.

ARBITRATION LEGAL BILLS:

Sarah Hanson presented the Board with the final invoice for the defense costs of the furlough arbitration. The Board noted that the costs were quite high but well worth the investment, given what was at stake and the county's prevailing position. Jean Ripa said that the costs did not surprise her as defending a labor action through arbitration is very expensive. The Board stated that the Union filing for arbitration expended monies that could have been spent saving another job. Sarah informed the Board that this would take Counsel's budget over its limit and that a year end transfer might be necessary. Jean reminded the Board that she and Sarah had warned of this probability when the arbitration was filed.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMPENSATION COMMITTEE:

The Board discussed the annual appointments of the Elected Officials Compensation Committee. Commissioner Fisher and Heimuller will check with some possible candidates and verify that Tom Linhares would like to continue to serve on this committee. Appointments should be ready to finalize next Wednesday.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 18th day of April, 2012.

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By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Chair

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: _____

Recording Secretary

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____

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