

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

June 6, 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, Nathan Woodward, Jean Ripa.

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order.

**BUDGET DISCUSSION:**

*Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve an exception to the ending fund balance policy for FY 2012-13 for the Road, Community Corrections, Fair, Transfer Station, Columbia County Rider/Transit and Building funds. The motion carried unanimously.*

**SURVEYOR'S OFFICE HOURS:**

After discussion, the Board agreed by consensus that the Surveyor's Office will be closed to the public Monday, Wednesday and Friday to allocate the proper amount of time toward Corner Restoration. Nathan will be available by appointment Monday-Thursday to meet the needs of the public.

**INCREASE RECORD OF SURVEY FEES:**

Nathan discussed the need to increase the recording fee for "Record of Surveys" from

\$200 to \$250 and attaching an annual CPI increase each year (per Portland Index). The Board agreed that the increase was necessary and directed Nathan to work with County Counsel on the paperwork to implement the increase.

#### HR ITEMS:

- Jean Ripa explained that the Board had approved all of the necessary action items on the consent agenda today, to create the Community Justice Department and that Walt Pesterfield and Stacia Tyacke are working towards this goal.
- Jean asked that the Board mark their calendars for the annual County Picnic to be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>.
- *Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Personnel Action recording Peter Tassoni's layoff. The motion carried unanimously.*
- There was some discussion on the future of the Emergency Management Department and the new EOC facility. There was Board consensus for Jean to move towards creating a lead position in the department to act in the interim until an organizational structure is decided.

#### VERNONIA PROPERTY TRANSFER:

Sarah Hanson pulled this discussion item.

#### DELIBERATE ON MASS GATHERING EVENT - BOOM BOX IN DA BOON DOX:

The Board deliberated on the hearing that was held at the morning session for a Mass Gathering Permit, known as the "Boom Box in da Boon Dox". Mr. Teuscher and Richard Keith were present, however the Board advised them that the hearing has been closed and this was the time set for deliberations only. Under deliberations, the Board expressed their many concerns over this event, particularly that it was in ag-forest land

and that adjoining property owners had problems and concerns with the same event that took place last year. After a great deal of discussion on what steps that could be taken to mitigate the problems, *Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the permit subject to certain conditions and requirements being met prior to June 22, 2012. The motion carried unanimously.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(h) - LITIGATION:

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(h). Upon coming out of Executive Session, *Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to authorize Sarah Hanson to negotiate a settlement agreement with MacDonald Miller. The motion carried unanimously.*

*Further, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to re-assign the position of Board Secretary to Salary Range 23, effective 7/1/12. The motion carried unanimously.*

*Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to have the Finance Director move Glen Crinklaw from .50 FTE to .75 FTE. The motion carried unanimously.*

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 6<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2012.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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By: \_\_\_\_\_

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Recording Secretary

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Jan Greenhalgh