

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

August 14, 2013

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

Commissioner Heimuller called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC HEALTH ADMINISTRATION:

Sarah Hanson met with the Board to discuss the status of the Public Health FAA. Commissioner Fisher and Sarah met with OHA and the Foundation last Wednesday to discuss concerns with the Agreement. The State asked the County and Foundation to provide suggested changes. Sarah reported that the State's response to our suggested changes came in today and she will review the revised draft. Sarah also reported sending a revised draft County/Foundation agreement to Akin Blitz and is waiting for his feedback. She will continue to keep the Board updated on this issue.

JAIL LEVY EXPLANATORY STATEMENT:

Sarah Hanson and Sheriff Dickerson met with the Board to discuss the Explanatory Statement for Measure 13-234. The Board and Sheriff provided input and asked Sarah to finalize the document for approval.

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 Hyde seconded to authorize County Counsel to file a complaint for ejectment at 164 N. 7th Street., St. Helens, Oregon. The motion carried unanimously.*

BRIDGES TO BREAKERS BIKE EVENT:

Cynthia Zemaitis, Resource Administrator, wanted to discuss the Bridges-to-Breakers bike tour event permit with the Board to see if there were any concerns or conditions they wished to place on the permit. A great deal of discussion was held on the dangers of having bike riders on these curvy country roads without shoulders, and that a great alternate route would be the C-Z Trail. Cynthia asked the sponsor if they could use the trail, but it is too late this year to change. Nearly all the bikers that have signed up for this event have very expensive street bikes and could not take them on the trail. Cynthia also advised the sponsor that next year they would most likely have to take the trail or find another route through the County. Commissioner Hyde said he wanted to see appropriate signage placed along the road, at both ends, so driver's are aware there are bikers on the road. He suggested that the Road Department be responsible for the signage and that the sponsor be made to pay those costs. It was the Board's consensus that the Road Department will place the signage, on the sponsor's dime, and that there was no alternative at this point to change the intended route.

PORT OF ST. HELENS ZONE CHANGE APPLICATION DATE/TIME:

Todd Dugdale and Robin McIntyre met with the Board to determine a date and time for the upcoming Port of St. Helens Zone Change application for Port Westward. It was determine that the hearing would be held on Wednesday, 9/18/13 at 6:30 p.m at the Clatskanie High School. Staff will prepare the notice for publication and mailing.

The Board recessed the meeting and reconvened on Thursday, September 15, 2013 at 3:30 p.m. at Transwestern Aviation in Scappoose. Commissioner Heimuller, Commissioner Hyde and Commissioner Fisher were present.

JAIL LEVY:

The Board met with Senator Johnson, John Helm and Tess Milio to discuss strategies for the upcoming Jail levy campaign. No action was taken.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 14th day of August, 2013.

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By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Chair

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

By: _____

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