

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2014

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

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order.

JURISDICTION OF PAUL SCHARF APPEAL:

Todd Dugdale, LDS Director, reviewed an appeal filed by Paul Scharf for a decision made by the Planning Director. After review and discussion, *Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to take original jurisdiction for the review of the Appeal of the Planning Director's Decision concerning the interpretation of "usable frontage" as it relates to parcels proposed by MP 14-05 for Paul Scharf. The motion carried unanimously.*

SHERIFF - RESPONSE TO JAIL INFORMATION IN CHRONICLE ARTICLE:

Sheriff Dickerson was present to discuss the information printed in this weeks Chronicle about Jail costs, etc. The Sheriff stated that he was mis quoted and, with the Sheriff present and while still in session, the Board called the Chronicle to discuss this matter with publisher Don Patterson. Don stated that he would check into this with the reporter involved and get back to the Board.

REQUEST TO FILL OFFICE SPECIALIST POSITION IN JUSTICE DIVISION:

Bob Severe and Jean Ripa were present to discuss the request to fill an upcoming vacancy of the Office Specialist position in the Community Justice - Adult Division.

After discussion, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the filling of the Office Specialist position in the Justice Department. The motion carried unanimously.

PERSONNEL ACTION - TRANSIT:

Jean Ripa presented a Personnel Action for Janet Wright, adjusting her hours to keep her in compliance with PERS limitations. After discussion, *Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Janet Wright's Personnel Action, effective 4/16/14. The motion carried unanimously.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(a)(d) - Bargaining:

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

SWCD BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION OVER CLATSKANIE RIVER - SCHAFFER ROAD:

Dave Hill, Tristan Wood and Robin McIntyre to met with the Board to discuss the replacement of crossing 2 on Schaffer Rd over Clatskanie River. The project is funded by OWEB granting the Soil Water Conservation District and Lower Columbia River Watershed Council to replace the fish passage barrier with a bridge. The Road Dept will be contributing \$30,000 towards construction of the structure, along with assistance of Dept. staff time with project management. For construction of the bridge the roadway will need to be closed three weeks the month of August. Limiting the closure to this time will have an effect mostly on local timber property owned by Weyerhauser with minimal effect to only a couple residents in the area. County Legal Council Robin McIntyre presented an IGA drafted by Robin, along with Land Owner Agreement which grants the Watershed and District to access the County Right-of-Way for monitoring and construction of the bridge.

After discussion, *Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded*

to approve the construction of Crossing 2 over the Clatskanie River on Schaffer Rd with a 3 week road closure. The motion carried unanimously.

Secondly, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the IGA with the Soil Water Conservation District and Lower Columbia River Watershed Council. The motion carried unanimously.

Lastly, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the Land Owner Agreement for Watershed Restoration with US Fish and Wildlife. The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(e)(h):

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(e)(h). Upon coming out of Executive Session, there was Board consensus to sell back property to Peggy Tarbell, for the cost of back taxes, interest and penalties.

DON PATTERSON, CHRONICLE - SHERIFF INTERVIEW:

Don Patterson, Publisher with the Chronicle, came before the Board to discuss the recent phone call regarding the interview with Sheriff Dickerson and the resulting article in this weeks issue. To ensure clarification, Don will remove the mis-information from the online article and print a clarification in the next issue.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 23rd day of April, 2014.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____

Henry Heimuller,

Commissioner

By: _____

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh
Board Office Administrator