BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

February 18, 2015

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.

MEETING WITH UNION REPRESENTATIVES:

The Board met with the presidents and vice presidents of AFSCME Local 1442 and Local 697 as well as the AFSCME Council Representative and the president of FOPPO. Present for discussion were, Jean Ripa, Erin O' Connell, Deb Jacob, Lars Sandstrom, Jeremy Tull, Tristan Wood, Andy Chavira, Trin Monahan. The group discussed various items of mutual interest including activity at the Legislature, the status of and outlook for the General Fund and other funds, and revenue opportunities.

REVIEW 2014 WORKERS COMP CLAIMS:

Jean Ripa presented the Board with a report summarizing the worker compensation claims filed by County employees and volunteers in the prior year. General discussion was held on the workers comp program. No action needed.

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

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

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

The Board immediately recessed the regular session to go back into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(f). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the Confidential Settlement Agreement and Release with Shane Ball. The motion carried unanimously.

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PLAN UPDATE BY DKS:

Dave Hill, Lonny Welter and Robin McIntyre came before the Board along with John Bosket, from DKS, who is assisting the County in updating the County Transportation System Plan. The briefing was to inform the Board of the status of the work, and our public outreach efforts. The Board felt that the open houses should coincide with other public gathering, so as to contact more individuals and hopefully get more feed back. Collectively all agreed to try and make that happen.

EDGEWOOD DRIVE ROAD MAINTENANCE:

Dave Hill, Lonny Welter and Tristan Wood, County Road Department were present for discussion on the request for road maintenance of Edgewood Drive, Scappoose. There were also three residents present who were advocating that the County Road Department provide road maintenance for Edgewood Drive. It was explained that the Road Department had done work on Edgewood Drive in the past, but that it has come to their attention that there is no public right-of-way there and that the road was never officially accepted onto the list of roads to be maintained by Road Department. The Board cannot accept a road onto the maintenance list if it is not a public road. After much discussion, the citizens accepted the fact that the County Road Department cannot maintain Edgewood Drive, and will look into other means of maintaining it.

LETTER TO TICOR FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS FOR SPENCER PARK:

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the

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letter to Ticor Title authorizing the release of escrow funds for construction of Spencer Park. The motion carried unanimously.

BOARD OFFICE BUDGET DISCUSSION:

General discussion on the Board office staffing and duties that need coverage. After some discussion, the Commissioners directed Sarah Hanson to prepare an RFP for gas and mineral lease support services.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 18th day of February, 2015.

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	Henry Heimulle Chair	∍r,
	By: Anthony Hyde, Commissioner	
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