

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

January 13, 2016

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.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY - LEGAL AID CONTRACT AMENDMENT:

Steve Atchison, District Attorney, came before the Board to address an amendment to the Law Library Contract. The amendment would extend the contract through December 2016 and maintain the compensation at \$30,377.38 annually. After some discussion, *Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Amendment #3 to the Personal Services Contract with Columbia County Legal Aid, Inc. The motion carried unanimously.*

TRANSIT UPDATE:

Janet Wright reported that a revised letter and contract amendment was sent to First Transit on 1/7/16. They have until Thursday 1/14/16 to return 2 signed copies of this amendment to the County. There was discussion on another letter being drafted to First Transit addressing liquidated damages and that those costs will be deducted from the December billing.

The Board had requested a meeting with First Transit on January 20th however neither of the First Transit representatives are available. Staff was instructed to get a meeting date set up with them as soon as possible.

Discussion was held on the Request for Proposals for a new contractor. Commissioner Fisher would like to get some budget information from Finance to determine funding for the transit program. He also related a discussion he was having with AOC regarding shifting the transit system off to another county or special district.

The group then suggested possible names of those who could be on the new Transit District Board, if the upcoming measure passed. There is a requirement to have 7 elected board members and staff is working on a list to submit to the Commissioners.

INDEPENDENT CLEANUP AGREEMENT WITH DEQ & GEODESIGN

This agreement deals with the cleanup of hazardous substances at the transit site located at 1155 Deer Island Road in St. Helens. Geodesign did not complete the final plan and the application was not submitted per the boards decision to wait until after the project was completed. We have a current contract with Geo design to complete the final plan and submit the application to DEQ for the Letter of No Further Action. The application requires an Independent clean up agreement with DEQ and a deposit of funds for the work that DEQ does. Initially GeoDesign stated that it would cost \$5,000 for this work, but because the final plan was not completed, we will be adding an additional \$3,000 to their contract in order for them to work with DEQ.

After discussion, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the Independent Cleanup Agreement with DEQ. The motion carried unanimously.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 13th day of January, 2016.

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By: _____

Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____

Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh

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