

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

February 17, 2005

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners held a special public hearing with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Joe Corsiglia and Commissioner Rita Bernhard, along with Vicki Harguth, Emergency Management Director and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary. The hearing was held at 7:00 p.m. in the Scout Cabin at Hawkins Park in Vernonia, Oregon.

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order and noted that the purpose of this hearing is to solicit public input on the Columbia County Mitigation Plan proposal. He introduced Vicki Harguth, the new Emergency Management Director for Columbia County.

HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN:

Vicki Harguth, Emergency Management Director, gave a power point presentation on the Hazard Mitigation Plan. It consisted of information on what a mitigation plan is and why it is important to Columbia County. She reviewed the Pre-Disaster Mitigation Act of 20 on-going maintenance and review of this plan. Vicki applauded everyone who worked on putting this plan together.

Robin Bassett, City of Vernonia, asked about Vernonia's sewage facility, specifically pump station #2 and if they can obtain funding through this plan under critical utility infrastructure. Vicki felt it probably could fit under that.

Discussion was held on the flood of 1996 and the effects it had on Columbia County.

Mike Griesen, Scappoose Fire Department, stated that they will be applying for seismic upgrades for the fire station. He feels that Earthquake should be added as a primary action item.

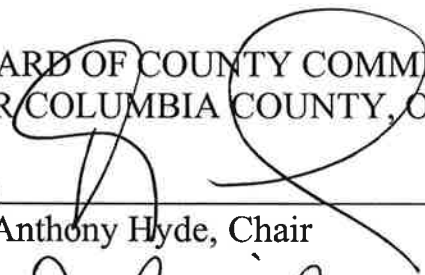
Vicki stated that there were a number of buildings effected by the last earthquake and Dennis (FEMA) suggested that actual addresses of effected properties be listed in the plan.

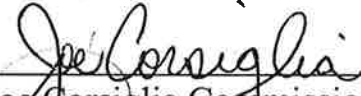
With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 17th day of February, 2005.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

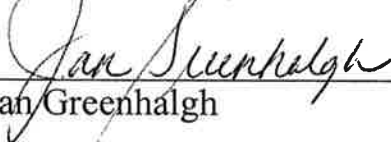
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: 
Joe Corsiglia Commissioner

By: 
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By: 
Jan Greenhalgh