

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 3, 2006

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Joe Corsiglia and Commissioner Rita Bernhard, together with John Knight, County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order and led the flag salute.

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to approve the minutes of the December 22, 2005 Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

Tammy Maygra, Deer Island, asked if the County is considering using general fund money to bail out REDCO. Commissioner Hyde stated the short answer is no, but the long answer is yes. He briefly explained how an urban renewal district works, but suggested he meet with Tammy at a later date to further explain the process. Tammy agreed and will set an appointment.

**SELECT CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR 2006:**

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to appoint Commissioner Joe Corsiglia as Chair of the Board for 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

**SELECT VICE-CHAIR OF THE BOARD FOR 2006:**

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to appoint Commissioner Rita Bernhard as Vice-Chair for 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

**APPOINT BUDGET OFFICER FOR 2006:**

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Corsiglia seconded to appoint Commissioner Anthony Hyde as Budget Officer for 2006. The motion carried unanimously.

**SET BOARD MEETING DATES & TIMES FOR 2006:**

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to continue the current Board meeting schedule for 2006 - meetings will be every Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to continue the current Work Session meeting schedule for 2006 - meetings will be every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to continue the current Staff meeting schedule for 2006 - meetings will be every Wednesday at 2:00 p.m. Under discussion, Commissioner Bernhard would suggest that the Board work to continue these meetings more consistently. The motion carried unanimously.

**HEARING: AMENDMENT TO SPWF FOR PORT WESTWARD IMPROVEMENTS:**

As scheduled, the public hearing, "In the Matter of Authorizing an Amendment to the Interim Financing Loan from the Special Public Works Fund for Port Westward Road Improvements", was held.

Sarah Hanson gave some background on the road improvements at Port Westward, the funding and the requirement to hold this public hearing before authorizing an order increasing the loan amount.

The hearing was opened for public testimony.

**Thelma Bonar, 56734 Way Lane, Warren:** Thelma feels that there are a lot of loans being made for Port Westward. She understands that some of these are needed to create jobs. However, if we can get financing for road improvements to Port Westward, we should be able to get financing for county roads. Sarah explained that the hearing today is only for the road improvements at Port Westward. Thelma just has a lot of concerns about Port Westward.

With no further testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed for deliberation. With that, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve Order No. 77-2005, "In the Matter of Authorizing an Amendment to the Loan from the Special Public Works Fund for Port Westward Road Improvements, and authorize the Chair to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

**SEA REACH - UPDATE OF PLAZA OF DISCOVERY:**

This matter will be rescheduled to a work session.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Corsiglia read the consent agenda in full. With no comments, Commissioner Bernhard moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for 12/27/05.

- (B) Appoint Peter Hackett to the Regional Workforce Investment Board.

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (C) Amendment #13 to the 2005-2007 Intergovernmental Agreement #113022 with DHS.
- (D) Transportation and Parks System Development Charges Memorandum of Understanding between the County, City of St. Helens, and City of Scappoose and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (E) Amendment #4 to the Agreement between Columbia County and Columbia Community Mental Health, Inc.

The motion carried unanimously.

**VACATION OF UNNAMED ROW IN SCAPPOOSE ACRE TRACTS (McKENNA):**

This matter was carried over one week.

**DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD VICTIMIZATION ENFORCEMENT GRANT:**

The Board received an e-mail from Pat Anderson requesting Board approval to apply for a 2 year federal grant for "Rural Domestic Violence & Child Victimization Enforcement". After little discussion, Commissioner Hyde moved and Commissioner Bernhard seconded to approve this grant application. The motion carried unanimously.

**AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC ROAD EVENT ORDINANCE:**

John Knight explained that the plans to implode Trojan will have a big impact on the county roads. This type of impact is not covered in the current Public Road Event Ordinance. To deal with these types of issues, John has amended the current ordinance to include "Other Significant Road Events", which includes detours or road closures, use of pilot vehicles, delays in traffic, etc. A hearing would need to be scheduled to adopt the amended ordinance and he would suggest January 25<sup>th</sup>. Vicki Harguth has briefly reviewed the draft amendments and has no concerns at this point. John noted that the ordinance will need to include an emergency clause so that it is in effect at the time of the implosion. With that, the Board directed John to move forward with the hearing.

**COMMISSIONER CORSIGLIA COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Corsiglia wanted to thank Commissioner Hyde for chairing this Board for the last year and is ready to move forward with the new year.

**COMMISSIONER BERNHARD COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Bernhard met with the City of Vernonia, Community Action Team and the Vernonia Senior Center representatives last week. They are looking at building a new senior facility. It would be helpful to have some letters of support from the County.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

Commissioner Hyde spent the holidays with his family and is now rested and ready for the new year.

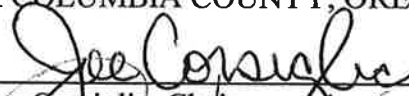
There was no Executive Session held.

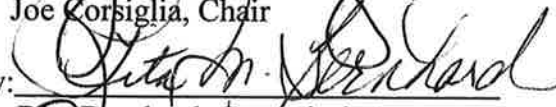
With nothing further coming before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.

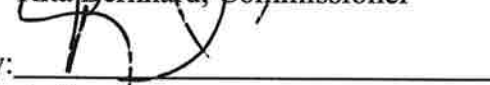
Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of January, 2006.

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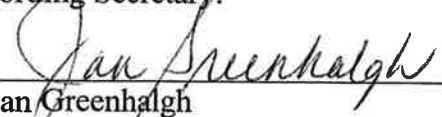
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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By:   
Joe Corsiglia, Chair

By:   
Rita Bernhard, Commissioner

By:   
Anthony Hyde, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

By:   
Jan Greenhalgh