

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

WORK SESSION MINUTES

September 27, 2011

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in a scheduled work session at 10:00 a.m. with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Earl Fisher and Commissioner Henry Heimuller, together with Sarah Hanson, County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

Commissioner Hyde called the meeting to order.

SCAPPOOSE BAY WATERSHED COUNCIL:

Janelle St. Pierre, Coordinator for the Scappoose Bay Watershed Council, came before the Board to present their annual update. Lonny Welter was also present as the Scappoose Bay WSC President. Janelle gave a power point presentation on the summer 2011 projects. In 2010, the Scappoose Bay WSC was able to successfully bring in \$307,674 in grant funds and noted the breakdown on where that funding goes. The economic multiplier for the on-the-ground work is estimated to be between \$185,000 and \$740,000. Janelle briefly reviewed the volunteer program, the different water quality tests and results, monitoring of more serious issues in some areas and plans for the future. The Board thanked both Janelle and Lonny for their time and update on the these projects.

EARLY LEARNING COUNCIL:

Jan Kenna, CCCC Director, was present at the request of the Board to discuss the Early Learning Council program. This is about kids and family services and these discussions need to happen with there is more time to more thoroughly discuss this. She will reschedule for another meeting time.

FY 2011 GENERAL FUND REVENUE & EXPENSE REPORT:

Jennifer Cuellar, Finance Director, was present to go over the FY 2011 General Fund revenue and expense report. She is here on 3 issues; 1) if there is any specific questions from the Board on the FY 2011 she has presented; 2) needs feedback on certain fund accounts; and 3) developing a path to look at long term budget issues. The Board felt it was necessary to go through the entire budget analysis to date and, after discussion, directed Jennifer to make certain adjustments to the budget. There was also group discussion on possible funding for updated software for the Finance Department and the possibility of hiring an outside

financial person for the transit system. The Board suggested that Jennifer prepare a detailed list of her departmental needs and bring it before the Board for review and discussion.

UPDATE ON SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS FUNDING:

Commissioner Hyde updated the Board on the SRS funding and discussion was held on the difference between the DeFazio Plan and O&C Plan.

DISSOLUTION OF CHD:

General discussion was held on the status of the dissolution of the CHD Board and the disposal of the property on Millard Road. It was suggested that the Board meet with the City of St. Helens on the disposal of the Millard Road property but, after discussion, it was determine that was not necessary at this time.

The Board recessed the regular session at 12:30 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m at the St. Helens Elks Lodge. Present were Commissioner Hyde, Commissioner Fisher and Commissioner Heimuller.

CITY/COUNTY MEETING:

The Board reconvened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. at the St. Helens Elks Lodge to host the quarterly City/County meeting. This meeting was to hold round table discussion with the cities and other agencies in the County. No action was taken.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 27th day of September, 2011.

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

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Anthony Hyde, Chair

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Earl Fisher, Commissioner

Recording Secretary:

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Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

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Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary