

Columbia County Board of Commissioners
June 18, 2025, Board Meeting
Hybrid from the
John Gumm Building and Civic Center, St. Helens, OR. 97051.

Present: Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Casey Garrett, Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel, and Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator. Commissioner Kellie Jo Smith Not Present

CALL TO ORDER/FLAG SALUTE

Commissioner Garrett called this meeting to order at 10:00 am and led the flag salute.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Magruder moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Garrett seconded.

- **Vote:** MM/CG all in favor. Motion approved.

VISITOR COMMENTS - 3 MINUTE LIMIT

No comment.

HEARING

1. Jacob Anderson, Solid Waste Coordinator,
 - a) In the Matter of the FY 2025/26 Collection Rate Adjustments and Transfer Station Disposal Rates.
 - a. Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel, gave a brief update regarding this hearing.
 - b. Mike Russell, Director of Public Works, introduced the rate adjustments. Jake Anderson, Solid Waste Coordinator, presented the staff report for the Collection Rate Adjustments. 5.9% increase in rates in the rural Scappoose and Vernonia areas. 3.5% rate increase for rural Clatskanie, Rainier, and St Helens service areas. These rate adjustments were calculated, including the rise associated with the new tipping fee of \$112.36 per ton for all service providers, as well as a \$0.24 increase to collection rates per 35-gallon cart.
 - c. Commissioner Garrett opened the floor for testimony.
 - d. No testimony was given.
 - e. Commissioner Garrett closed the floor to testimony.
 - f. After deliberations, the Board directed staff to bring back a Board Order to an upcoming consent agenda for final approval.
 - g. Commissioner Garrett closed the hearing.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Garrett read the entire consent agenda, including agreements, contracts, and amendments. Commissioner Magruder moved, and Commissioner Garrett seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented.

- **Vote:** MM/CG all in favor. Motion approved.
- A.** Ratify Approval for Letter Dated June 9, 2025, to the Ambulance Service Providers of Columbia County.
 - B.** Ratify Approval for the CDBG Grant Tiered Environmental Review Format and authorize the Chair to sign.
 - C.** Approve Board of Commissioners Work Session Meeting Minutes for May 28, 2025.
 - D.** Approve Board of Commissioners Special Meeting Minutes for June 10, 2025.

- E. Approve Select to Pay for June 10, 2025.
- F. Approve Order No. 23-2025, In the Matter of Approving a Title III Project for FY 2025 under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act of 2000 as Amended and Re-Authorized.
- G. Approve Resolution No. 31-2025, In the Matter of Transferring Appropriations Between Categories in the 2024-2025 Fiscal Year Budget.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS

- A. Approve C50-2025, Agreement with Weyerhaeuser Holdings Inc. for Enhanced Law Enforcement Services and authorize the Vice Chair to sign.
- B. C53-2024-2, Amendment 2 to Grant Agreement BHD-25-05 with the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission for Behavioral Health Deflection Grant Program and authorize the Vice-Chair to sign.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. Mike Russell, Public Works Director, and Truett Stolzenburg, property owner, updated the Board on developments related to the Clatskanie Dike roads issue. Specifically, regarding the Beaver Drainage District and the movement by neighbors on Woodson Road to dedicate the necessary easement. The Board thanked Mr. Russell and Truett Stolzenburg for attending today's meeting. Staff will continue to move forward with dedications, estimating that it will take about two months to complete.

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS

I'm pleased to see progress on the Drainage District Road easements and would like to encourage community members to consider joining our advisory committees. For more information, please visit our website or contact the Board of Commissioners' Office.

COMMISSIONER GARRETT COMMENTS

The Kiwanis Parade will take place this Saturday at noon in St. Helens, Oregon. It appears that we may experience some rain during the parade this year.

COMMISSIONER SMITH COMMENTS

Not present

ADJOURN

With nothing further to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:36 AM. The recording of this meeting is posted at www.columbiacountyor.gov/meetings The next regular scheduled meeting is on June 25, 2025.

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Kellie Jo Smith, Chair

By: _____
Casey Garrett, Commissioner

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Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator,

By: _____
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