

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

April 6, 2016

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde, Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Earl Fisher, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator.

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

**MINUTES:**

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the minutes of the March 30, 2016 Board meeting and the March 30, 2016 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

**VISITOR COMMENTS:**

***Don Campbell, 75735 Price Road, Rainier:*** He was in the LDS department this morning because he's wanting to relocate a fence along his property line. He's already met with Dave Hill and Lonny Welter at the property and, after calculating the property line, they had no problem with where Don wants to put up the fence. He stated that the road is an average of 16 feet wide and it wouldn't be narrowed any more than that with the fence installed. He just wanted to bring this to the attend of the Board so there are no surprises when he does it. He's doing this to give back the property that he neighbor rightfully owns and pays taxes on and, by mutual agreement with the neighbor, put the fence where it needs to be. One reason he's here is because when he went downstairs to talk to them about the placement of his fence, they wanted to know about his septic system (like he's building a house). He also asked how high can the boundary fence be without having to get a permit. Their response - don't know, maybe 6', 7', 8' but could not say for sure. One would think that's a fairly easy question. His problem is that he seems to be held to a different standards than his neighbors and wonders why. Commissioner Heimuller stated that he would check into this today to get an answer on the fence height.

**HEARING: AMEND INMATE HOUSE FEE SCHEDULE:**

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of the Amending the Columbia County Fee Schedule for Inmate Housing Fees".

Robin McIntyre explained that, due to noticing requirements, this hearing will need to be carried over one week. With that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to continue this hearing to 4/13/16 at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. With no changes, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 4/4/16.

**AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:**

- (B) Memorandum of Agreement and Acknowledgment of ODOT Assistance and authorize Chair to sign.
- (C) Personal Services Contract with FCS Group for Cost Recovery Analysis and Fee Study Services.
- (D) Public Road Event Permit and Indemnity Agreement with the Oregon Road Runners Club for their Vernonia Marathon Event on April 10, 2016.

The motion carried unanimously.

**RESOLUTION 12-2016 - APPOINT DIANA SHERA TAYLOR AS JOP PRO TEMP:**

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Resolution No. 12-2016, "In the Matter of Appointing Diana Shera-Taylor as Justice of the Peace, Pro Tempore, to the Columbia County Justice of the Peace District". The motion carried unanimously.

**COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:**

On Monday, Commissioner Hyde attended a Portland Community College Advisory Council meeting, on which he sits as a member. There was a lot of discussion on long and short range plans, one of which is the PCC campus for higher education in Scappoose. They also talked a lot about the opportunities that are arising out of the AMRC project proposed for Scappoose. This is a very exciting opportunity for Columbia County.

Yesterday, he attended an O&C meeting where they met with the Oregon Business Council on benchmarks and where the focus is. That council will be headed to Washington DC in a week and will be taking 3 primary talking points with them to discuss with our federal delegation. One of those talking points will be the O&C lands and the forest management plan.

Also yesterday, he participated in a conference call with the NACo Leadership as Chair of the Economic and Workforce Development Committee to talk about their platform moving forward.

**COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:**

Tomorrow he will be traveling to Warrenton for their monthly NOHA meeting and then on Friday he will be in Salem for the AOC Health and Human Services meeting.

On Monday, he met with Jim Tierney, Senator Johnson and many others who have a vested interest in low income/affordable housing. One thing that came to light is the number of mobile home parks in our communities and that there is no one agency that oversees these parks for things like safety compliance, water and sewage compliance, electrical systems, ADA accessibility and many other compliance issues. They are now looking at how those issues can be addressed and regulated. The majority of those living in these mobile home parks are elderly, low income, disabled, etc. The plan is to create a statewide committee to figure out how to put eyes on these parks for compliance and they will demand forward movement on that.

**COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:**

Last Friday he attended the Local Public Safety Coordinating Council meeting. This is a group made up of members of our law enforcement, mental health and the justice system. Discussion was held on the need for mental health services for those who get entangled in the legal system. These people end up in jail because there is nowhere else to put them. They are looking at a grant through the justice reinvestment monies to map out how our system is doing.

Along those lines, he attended the Columbia Community Mental Health meeting yesterday. CCMH just received a federal grant to look into providing mental health services at the County Jail. To help divert those with mental health issues out of the jail system.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 6<sup>th</sup> of April, 2016.

NOTE: An audio CD of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties. A video of the meeting is also posted on our website at [www.co.columbia.or.us](http://www.co.columbia.or.us)

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

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