

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

January 27, 2016

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

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the minutes of the January 20, 2016 Board meeting and January 20, 2016 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

COUNTY AUDIT REPORT:

Matt Graves, with Pauly, Rogers Inc., came before the Board to give a report on the results of the FY2015 Columbia County Audit. He gave some details on how the audit is conducted and then touched on the impact of the PERS unfunded liability. He reported no reservations on the audit and that is basically a clean audit and no deficiencies to report. The Board thanked Matt Graves, Jennifer Cuellar and her staff for their work on another successful audit.

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 1/25/16.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (B) Columbia County Jail Shower Replacement Contract with Pacific Stainless Products, Inc.
- (C) 2015-2017 Agreement #148152 with the Oregon Health Authority for Environmental Health Services and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde attended the Scappoose Economic Development Committee last week on which he sits as a member. They have had an analysis done to determine where the city is in terms of economic development. There is a lot of positive activity going on in Scappoose.

He was in Scappoose again yesterday to meet with the Regional Solutions Team. This is a group made up of all state agencies who meet to discuss economic issues. The meeting yesterday centered around a couple of business opportunities for Scappoose.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller attended the Oregon State Dairy Princess Ambassador Coronation in Salem on Saturday. Although our Columbia County princess was not selected for the State Dairy Princess, she represented Columbia County very well. Overall, it was an outstanding presentation and great support of the dairy industry.

Last Friday he participated in the interview process at Community Action Team for Jim Tierney's replacement who is retiring this year. On Monday, he attended the CAT Board meeting where they officially appointed Dan Brown as the new CAT Director to take over when Jim retires. Thanks to Jim for all of his years of service and congratulations to Dan Brown.

He will be attending the Columbia 911 meeting tomorrow and on Friday he will be in Salem for the Special Transportation Investment Program (STIP) selection process. This is a non-highway investment pool of approximately \$10 million for programs such as transit, bike, pedestrian, airport, etc.

He wanted to mention the situation currently taking place in Harney County. Yesterday he spoke with Pete Runnels, Harney County Commissioner. Yesterday it escalated to a situation that we all hoped wouldn't happen and a person was killed. We send our prayers to all those involved in both sides of this issue. People on both sides of this issue need to realize the costs involved and that people are having to move out of the county because of death threats. This has changed their entire community and they deserve our thoughts and prayers.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

No comments.

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There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 27th of January, 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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh
Board Office Administrator

By: _____
Earl Fisher, Commissioner