

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

February 17, 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 February 10, 2016 Staff Meeting. The minutes of the February 10, 2016 Board meeting to be held over one week. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

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 2/15/16.
- (B) Cancel the 2/24/16 Board and Staff meetings.
- (C) 2016 Liquor License Renewals for: Scipio's Goble Landing; Star Mart.
- (D) Reappoint Margaret Magruder, Steve Reed and Kathy Syrstad to the 4-H & Extension Service District Budget Committee.
- (E) Appoint Jason Hudson of Waste Connections to replace Derek Ranta as Industry Alternate on the Solid Waste Advisory Committee, term to expire 12/31/17.
- (F) Notice of Measure Election and Explanatory Statement for Columbia County Rider Transportation District and authorize Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Last week Commissioner Hyde attended the first of hopefully many collaborative meetings in Scappoose with regards to Chapman Landing at the end of the CZ Trail. The Port, City of Scappoose and parks are looking at options for this area. When asked, he clarified that the County has the ownership of this park from Vernonia to and including Chapman Landing.

On Monday he was in Salem for AOC legislative meetings. The counties are paying close attention and weighing in on the bills that are moving quickly through the legislative process.

Tomorrow, he will be making a presentation to the Economic Development Committee in Scappoose.

He and Commissioner Heimuller will be leaving this week for the NACo conference in Washington DC and will be meeting with our delegates.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller was in Salem on Friday for the AOC Health and Human Services meeting.

He mentioned that the Fair Board is already working hard to prepare for the 101st County Fair. They meet every Saturday and volunteers are always needed.

The Megga Easter Egg Hunt at the Fairgrounds will be held on March 26th. This is always a huge success because of volunteers and groups like Kiwanis.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Fisher attended a GOHBI meeting in the Dalles last Thursday. There are number of changes coming down on mental health issues.

Also on Thursday, he participated as a Board member on a conference call with CIS. They are looking at insurance rates for next year and it looks like they're not going to increase much.

He was also In Salem on Monday for the AOC legislative meetings. A lot going on with marijuana. As for tax revenues coming in, that won't be realized until a couple of year down the road, if ever. The way it is set up, 13% goes to the State and they dole out a percentage to the counties depending on the number of shops. In the 2017 session, there will be a number of bills to reconstitute the formula.

As for the minimum wage increase, which ever option is adopted, it will have some significant effects.

He attended the ESD meeting yesterday and the Early Learning HUB meeting last night.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 17th of February, 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

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FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh
Board Office Administrator

By: _____
Earl Fisher, Commissioner