

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

November 23, 2016

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Anthony Hyde and Commissioner Henry Heimuller, together with Robin McIntyre, Assistant County Counsel and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator. Commissioner Fisher was not present.

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

MINUTES:

Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Hyde seconded to approve the minutes of the November 9, 2016 Board meeting and November 9, 2016 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Jim Huffman, 52924 Cliff Drive, Scappoose: He was surprised about the article he read about the CRPUD election and their decision not to seat someone who lives at Brown's Landing because they live in a boat house. Jim went to the County Clerks office to find a copy of the original formation of the CRPUD district boundaries with the meets and bounds. Apparently, they can't find the information and it will take some time to locate it. Because this is a matter of significant public interest, Jim is hoping that the Board of Commissioners could help out by directing staff to locate the original ordinance that adopted the boundaries. Commissioner Hyde noted that the Board just reviewed that in the past 30 days, so they are confident it's correct. Jim gave some background on the PUD from the 1980's forward, but the long and short is that those living in the boat houses are paying taxes to the levy for the CRPUD. The Assessor's office should have record of those taxes paid to the PUD. Commissioner Hyde stated that the PUD is who provided the meets and bounds back in the 1999 annexation. Additionally, the Board had sent a letter to the PUD noting that the boat houses were not included in the district and there was no response. Jim then suggested that those people in the boat houses should be due a refund of the taxes paid. The Board agreed that might be something to look into. Jim thanked the Board for their help and will check back with them at a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 11/14/16 & 11/21/16.

- (B) Ratify Representation Letter with Ball Janik LLP and authorize County Counsel to sign.
- (C) Order No. 66-2016 "In the Matter of Conveying Certain Real Property in Birkenfeld, Oregon to Guy Fergusson, Tax Map ID No. 6N5W20-BB-02500".
- (D) Order No. 67-2016 "In the Matter of Conveying Certain Real Property in Vernonia, Oregon to Santos A. Gomez, Tax Map ID No. 4N4W05-DA-05800".
- (E) Quitclaim Deed: Columbia County to Guy Fergusson, Tax Map ID No. 6N5W20-BB-02500 and authorize Chair to sign.
- (F) Quitclaim Deed: Columbia County to Santos A. Gomez, Tax Map ID No. 4N4W05-DA-05800 and authorize Chair to sign.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (G) Purchase and Sale Agreement with Richard A. and Brenda S. Squires for Tract C, Springlake Meadows 2 Subdivision, in the City of Scappoose, Columbia County Oregon; Tax Map ID No. 3N2W13-AD-04501 and Tax Account No. 432014 and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (H) Amendment 3 to the License and Indemnity Agreement with the Columbia River Partnerships for Change.
- (I) Permit and Hold Harmless Agreement with the City of St. Helens for use of the Courthouse Plaza for the purpose of Holiday Decor.
- (J) Extension Agreement with Northwest Natural Gas for Adams Lease and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde reported on the annual AOC conference held last week in Eugene. This is a great opportunity to learn about other counties, how they do things and our common goals. Thursday night was the product tasting event and Columbia County was a hit as always, with product from Oregon Hill Farms, Ye Ole Grog, Houlton's Bakery and Jake the Sausage King.

Next week he will be in Washington, DC working on O&C issues and the forest management timber bill.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Not present.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to publicly thank Commissioner Elect Margaret Magruder and Alex Tardif for attending the AOC conference last week. It was a great opportunity for them to engage with other counties and help understand what it means to be a Commissioner.

On Monday, he attended the Columbia Pacific CCO meeting dealing with health care services.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone and reminded everyone to drive safe.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 23rd day of November, 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: Not Present
Earl Fisher, Commissioner