

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

April 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 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 April 20, 2016 Board meeting and April 20, 2016 Staff meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Ashley Bagget, Columbia Health Foundation, came before the Board to present an update on the Year of Wellness programs. They have a Task Force membership of 32 members and growing and meeting every 3rd Thursday of the month at 9:00 am at the OSU Extension Office. Communities presented are Scappoose, St. Helens, Rainier and Clatskanie and are working to include Vernonia. They have a Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ColumbiaCountyCares and content ranges from nutrition, obesity, physical activity, mental health and various forms of prevention and education. They also promote local events such as Seed to Supper, yoga classes and empty bowls. Their website is <http://www.colpachealth.org/whats-new/year-of-wellness>. So there are many different ways a person can get involved.

Commissioner Heimuller wanted to thank Ashley for the update. She has worked hard to get the "Year of Wellness" programs started.

Commissioner Fisher also commented on the Year of Wellness - and it's not just going to the doctor anymore, it's how to live a more positive lifestyle. He thanked Ashley for her report.

HEARING: PROPOSED CHANGE TO LINE 1 TRANSIT SCHEDULE:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of Adopting a Schedule Change to the Columbia County Rider Transit Line 1 - Downtown Portland". A couple of years ago, the Board adopted a policy to have public input on any changes to the transit fees.

Michael Ray, Transit Program Coordinator, came before the Board to give the staff report. He explained the problems they are experiencing with late arrivals to downtown Portland,

due to weather, traffic, etc. Line 1 is running about 10-20 minutes late on an almost daily basis. Staff has looked at various ways to address this problem. He has conducted a pilot program by changing the schedule a bit to see how that would work and complaints on timeliness have come down to next to nothing. With that, he would recommend that the Board adopt Resolution No. 13-2016, to include the schedule change.

The hearing was opened for public testimony.

With no testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed for deliberations. Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve Resolution No. 13-2016, "In the Matter of Adopting a Schedule Change to the Columbia County Rider Transit Line 1 - Downtown Portland". The motion carried unanimously.

SCAPPOOSE BAY WATERSHED COUNCIL REPORT:

The item was carried over to the June 1, 2016 Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. Commissioner Heimuller pulled Item (E) for discussion. With no other changes, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 4/25/16.
- (B) 2016 Liquor License renewal for the Vernonia Golf Club.
- (C) Resolution No. 14-2016, "In the Matter of the Application of Columbia County to Participate in the Assessment and Taxation Grant".
- (D) Reappoint Steve Watson, Patrick Trapp, Leanette Rivers, Doug Paxton, Cynthia Jaeger, Paula Miranda, Trish Hilsinger, John Walsh, Doug Lenz and Stephen Jupe to the Homeland Security Emergency Management Advisory Committee for a one (1) year term.
- (E) Approve the creation of an Intervention Specialist Position and assign to non-exempt salary range 26 for the Department of Community Justice and authorize the Director to fill the position. ***(Pulled for discussion)***
- (F) Approve 2016 Social Gaming License for the St. Helens Moose Lodge #591.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (G) Personal Services Contract with Government Portfolio Advisors for Investment Advisor Services.
- (H) Public Services Contract with Paulson Logging, Inc., for Carcus Creek Timber Harvest.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM (E) - INTERVENTION SPECIALIST POSITION IN CORRECTIONS:

Janet Evans, Corrections Director, was present to explain her request for the creation of an Intervention Specialist position. She gave a detailed review of the duties to be performed by this position and how it would be funded.

After discussion, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve the creation of an Intervention Specialist Position and assign to non-exempt salary range 26 for the Department of Community Justice and authorize the Director to fill the position. The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

This is the Year of Wellness so he hopes his colleagues get better soon.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller mentioned that the Fair Board meetings are held every Saturday morning at the Fairgrounds and they can always use volunteer help. As a reminder, the deadline for the Fair books is this Friday 4/29/16.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Fisher thanked Public Health for their work on the Year of Wellness and the various programs created.

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 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

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