

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

December 21, 2011

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

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

MINUTES:

The minutes of the December 13, 2011 Work Session and December 14, 2011 Board meeting were held over one week.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Hyde read the consent agenda in full. Items (D) & (J) were pulled for discussion. With no other changes/additions, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of 12/19/11.
- (B) Ratify Partition Plat for Daniel & Josephine Leno.
- (C) Reappoint Bill Goodwin, Nita Greene, Jim Jackson, Rodney Moore and Paul Simmons to the Transportation/Road Advisory Committee for a two year term.
- (D) Reappoint Randy Hansen to the Columbia County Fair Board for a three year term. **(PULLED & HELD OVER)**
- (E) Order No. 87-2011, "In the Matter of Adopting the Columbia County Electronic Systems and Equipment Use (IT) Policy".
- (F) Request for Full Reconveyance of Trust Deed securing loan on the property of Leon A. Torgerson (Loan No. FR-014) at 64511 Nehalem Highway North, Vernonia, Oregon, and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (G) Approve the Columbia County FY11 Audit Representation Letter and authorize Commissioner Fisher and Jennifer Cuellar to sign.

- (H) Approve the Management Discussion and Analysis Section of the Columbia County FY11 Audit and authorize Commissioner Fisher and Jennifer Cuellar to sign.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (I) Intergovernmental Agreement with the Lane Council of Governments.
- (J) Amendment #2 to the Personal Services Contract with Ethos Project Management. ***(PULLED & HELD OVER)***
- (K) Amendment #3 to the Community Development Block Grant No. D08029 Agreement with the Oregon Business Development Department and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (L) Hazard Mitigation Grant Program Contract DR-1733-OR Funding Addendum No. 8 with the Oregon Emergency Management Department and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (M) Adopt Agreement for Section 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan and authorize Jean Ripa to sign.
- (N) GASB 45 Actuarial Services Agreement with City/County Insurance Services and authorize the Chair to sign.

The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM (J) - ETHOS:

Bill Potter addressed the amendment to the agreement with Ethos for the HVAC system, which is to extend the completion date and include the increase in costs from the original contract. Bill noted that the funding for this project is in good shape because the county has an additional \$500,000 in ARRA funding. The long and short is that the project is taking longer than expected but coming in way under budget.

Commissioner Heimuller expressed his concern that the original bid amount has more doubled - twice and, although Bill gave a detailed explanation the last time this happened, it needs to be documented in the record why it is happening again. These things need to be discussed prior to adding to the consent agenda. After discussion, the Board decided to carry this matter over to the staff meeting.

ITEM (J) - FAIR BOARD APPOINTMENT:

This item was also carried over to the staff meeting.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde reported on his meeting with the Governor on Monday. He was very impressed with the Governor's level of concern and knowledge on the Secure Rural Schools funding - where we're at and where we need to get to.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS;

Commissioner Fisher commented on the article in the Oregonian on what happens when the funding goes away for counties and how it effects the services we provide. This is going to be a long term situation for many.

He had the opportunity to meet with various providers of health care services at for a meeting centering around "Community Care Organizations" (CCO's). The guidelines are very vague but we are all trying to stay on top of this by holding group meetings with all the players involved. He will continue to report to the Board.

He also attended the Traffic Safety Committee meeting to discuss student driver education. We need to do more as a county to provide training to our kids. The need is evident with the recent loss of a 16 student who was killed in an auto accident this week.

He continues to work with businesses, PCC and other agencies in building programs for our students for better job opportunities. Not all students will attend college but there are other services out there that need people and out schools need to prepare kids for those other types of jobs.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller commented on the great holiday lunch last week with the employees. He appreciated all the work put into that and he wants to wish all employees a great holiday season.

He has been working with Sarah the past week on CHD issues.

Commissioner Heimuller stated that the student that lost his life in an auto accident on Monday was Bryce Stoneking. He was a student at St. Helens High School, a classmate of his daughters and a volunteer at the fairgrounds and other community events. Our thoughts go out to Bryce's family and friends.

EXECUTIVE SESSION UNDER ORS 192.660(2)(h):

The Board recessed the regular session to go into Executive Session as allowed under ORS 192.660(2)(h). Upon coming out of Executive Session, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to approve the Joint Stipulation of Priority and

for the Dismissal of Columbia County in Civil Case #11-1064 - USA v. Louis L. Sutton; Donna J. Sutton; Crestview Missions; State of Oregon; Columbia County and authorize Sarah Hanson to sign. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, this 21st day of December, 2011.

NOTE: A tape of this meeting is available for purchase by the public or interested parties.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: _____
Anthony Hyde, Chair

By: _____
Earl Fisher, Commissioner

By: _____
Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

Recording Secretary

By: _____
Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary