

COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

June 29, 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 and Jan Greenhalgh, Board Secretary.

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

MINUTES:

The minutes of the June 22, 2011 Board and Staff meetings were held over one week.

VISITOR COMMENTS:

Scott Groves, 57218 Old Mill Road, Scappoose: A lot has happened since he has last been before the Board regarding his continued nuisance complaint against his neighbor. On Monday, and due to Animal Control being closed, there was a situation that got out of control and a deputy responded. The deputy was clueless about what has been going on around this neighborhood, even though he informed Scott that this neighborhood has generated approximately 114-117 logged calls. All day Tuesday was quite until about 6:30 pm when the neighbor in question received a second dumpster on her property. After seven years, the situation is as bad as it always has been. He submitted some information for the Board to review. He would like to set some time to meet with the Board at a later date.

HEARING: REVISED BUILDING FEES:

This is the time set for the public hearing, "In the Matter of Consideration and Possible Adoption of Revised Building, Electrical, Planning and On-Site Fees - To Be Effective on August 1, 2011".

Todd Dugdale, LDS Director, presented the staff report. No written comments have been received to date on any of the fee changes. Todd reviewed the proposed fee changes and recommended that the Board adopt the fee changes as presented. Commissioner Fisher asked if there is a CPI increase built into these fees. Todd stated that increases are not built in because it requires a public hearing and Board approval.

The hearing was opened for public testimony.

Greg Russell, 61901 Dark Creek Road, St. Helens: He understands the concept of

the CPI and doesn't fault the building department for wanting to keep up with inflation, but as a consumer, how does he keep up. The County just recently increased the garbage rates and now this. Maybe these increases should be held up on for awhile until the economy improves. Regarding the Code compliance fee, who pays for that? Also questioned the 80% increase in the appeal fee. Doesn't that open it up for abuse by the building department to generate revenue for appeals?

Commissioner Hyde stated that, regarding appeals, the County doesn't make any money on appeals, the fees simply pay for the work involved in processing the appeal. A fee study was done and we cannot make money on this. We are required to only charge the cost of work involved. Appeals are actually expensive for the county to process. Todd responded to the code investigation fee and stated that the only instance this fee would apply is for land use violations.

With no further testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed for deliberation. Commissioner Fisher feels that staff has put a lot of time into researching these fees and would agree with the proposed fee changes. Commissioner Heimuller suggested staff look at building in the CPI increases if possible. After discussion, Commissioner Heimuller moved and Commissioner Fisher seconded to tentatively approve changes to Land Development Services Department fees contained in Attachment 4 to the Staff Board Communication dated June 29, 2011 as amended to include a fee for an appeal of a Planning Commission decision to the Board of Commissioners at 80% of the original application fee and direct staff to prepare a Board Order for adoption at a future Board meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING: PROPOSED SIP AGREEMENT WITH PGE:

With no proposal at this time, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to carry this hearing over to Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at or after 10:00 a.m. The motion carried unanimously.

HEARING: SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY FY 2010-11:

This is the time set for the public hearing on the Columbia County Supplemental Budget for FY 2010-11.

Jennifer Cuellar, Finance Director, stated that she had previously reviewed the changes with the Board and is here to answer any questions.

The hearing opened for testimony.

With no testimony coming before the Board, the hearing was closed for deliberations.

With that, Commissioner Fisher moved and Commissioner Heimuller seconded to approve Resolution No. 45-2011, "In the Matter of Authorizing a Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Budget Contingency Transfer, Intra-Fund Transfer and Making Appropriations". The motion

carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA:

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

- (A) Ratify the Select to Pay for week of June 27, 2011.
- (B) Ratify Partition Plat for Linda Hooper.
- (C) Approve the request by the Fair Board to use a portion of the Asbury Acres property for the 2011 Columbia County Fair.
- (D) Renew Property and Public Entity Liability policies with City County Insurance Services as proposed.
- (E) Renew Crime Policy with City County Insurance Services, increasing coverage to \$500,000.
- (F) Renew Business Auto Insurance policy with City County Insurance Services, removing comprehensive and collision from schedule for vehicle models 2002 and older, as shown in the Department Vehicle Schedule.
- (G) Renew Workers' Compensation Policy with SAIF as proposed.
- (H) Renew Flood Policy with FEMA (NFIP) for Hudson Parcher Park as proposed.
- (I) Renew Public Entity Liability Policy for the Columbia County Development Agency with City County Insurance Services as proposed.
- (J) Resolution No. 47-2011, "In the Matter of the Adoption of the Columbia County Budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012 and the Appropriation and Levying of Ad Valorem Taxes".
- (K) Order No. 48-2011, "In the Matter of the Distribution of Forest Trust Land Revenues [2011 Distribution]".
- (L) Order No. 49-2011, "In the Matter of the Distribution of Proceeds Under ORS 275.275 [2011 Distribution: Gas & Lands Sales]".
- (M) Order No. 50-2011, "In the Matter of Reimbursing the Vernonia Rural Fire Protection District Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2) [2011 Distribution Mist Gas Field Revenues]".

- (N) Order No. 51-2011, "In the Matter of Reimbursing the Mist-Birkenfeld Rural Fire Protection District Pursuant to ORS 275.275(2) [2011 Distribution Mist Gas Field Revenues/Impact]".
- (O) Order No. 52-2011, "In the Matter of Rate Adjustments for Curbside Collection Services for Franchised Haulers in Rural Columbia County".
- (P) Order No. 53-2011, "In the Matter of Appointing a Financial Assistance Administrator for the 2011-2013 Intergovernmental Agreement with DHS".
- (Q) Order No. 54-2011, "In the Matter of Allowing the Service of Alcohol at a Wedding to Take Place at Camp Wilkerson on July 2, 2011 [Katherine Aguirre]".
- (R) Accept Statutory Warranty Deed for 2370 Gable Road, St. Helens, Oregon 97051 from the Columbia Health District and authorize the Chair to sign and authorize recording without cost.
- (S) Approve the following closing documents for the purchase of property from Harold and Ella Murray, 600 Jefferson Street, Vernonia, Oregon 97064 and authorize the Chair to sign: Buyer's Estimated Settlement Statement; HUD Estimated Settle Statement, Sale Escrow Instructions, Notice of Fair Compensation; Not Subject to Transaction; Voluntary Owner Donation Form; Preliminary Title Report, Statutory Warranty Deed; Hazard Mitigation Grant Deed Restriction for Columbia County, Oregon.
- (T) Approve the following closing documents for the purchase of property from Linda G. Schivley, 1211 Heather Lane, Vernonia, Oregon 97064 and authorize the Chair to sign: Buyer's Estimated Settlement Statement; HUD Estimated Settle Statement, Sale Escrow Instructions, Notice of Fair Compensation; Not Subject to Transaction; Voluntary Owner Donation Form; Preliminary Title Report, Statutory Warranty Deed; Hazard Mitigation Grant Deed Restriction for Columbia County, Oregon.
- (U) Approve the following closing documents for Rose Marie Ruehmann, 58589 Nehalem Hwy S., Vernonia, Oregon 97064 and authorize the Chair to sign: Buyer's Estimated Settlement Statement; HUD Estimated Settle Statement, Sale Escrow Instructions, Notice of Fair Compensation; Preliminary Title Report, Statutory Warranty Deed; Hazard Mitigation Grant Deed Restriction for Columbia County, Oregon.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS:

- (V) Amendment #4 to the Public Services Contract with Community Action Team, Inc. For Veterans Services.
- (W) Intergovernmental Agreement by and between Columbia County, City of Vernonia and Vernonia School District 47J for Flood Mitigation Assistance Vernonia School

District Acquisition Project and authorize the Chair to sign.

- (X) Amendment to Fiscal Year 2010-11 Boating Safety and Law Enforcement Contract with the Oregon State Marine Board and authorize the Chair to sign.
- (Y) Construction Contract with TFT Construction for Nicolai Road Overlay.
- (Z) Intergovernmental Agreement #12011 with the Oregon Youth Authority for Juvenile Crime Prevention Basic Services and Diversion Services.
- (AA) Amendment #2 to Extended Enterprise Zone Agreement with Cascade Kelly.
- (BB) Agreement No. 27671 with ODOT, Public Transit Division, for 5310 Operating Funds.
- (CC) Intergovernmental Agreement in Support of a Community Development Block Grant from the 2011 CDBG Program administered by the Oregon Business Development Department, Infrastructure Finance Authority for the NW Oregon Regional Housing Rehabilitation Program.
- (DD) Public Transportation Operations Contract with Metro West Ambulance Service, Inc.
- (EE) Intergovernmental Agreement between the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife and the Columbia County Sheriff's Office for the 2011-2013 Sauvie Island Law Enforcement.
- (FF) Memorandum of Understanding between the Columbia County Commission on Children & Families, the Columbia County Juvenile Department and the Board of County Commissioners of Columbia County.
- (GG) 2011-2013 Intergovernmental Agreement #134305 with the Oregon Health Authority for Community Additions and Mental Health Services.

The motion carried unanimously.

COMMISSIONER HYDE COMMENTS:

Commissioner Hyde wanted to give condolences to Commissioner Fisher on the passing of his mother.

COMMISSIONER FISHER COMMENTS:

No comments.

COMMISSIONER HEIMULLER COMMENTS:

Commissioner Heimuller also gave his condolences on Commissioner Fisher's loss.

There was no Executive Session held.

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

Dated at St. Helens, Oregon, this 29th day of June, 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

Recording Secretary

By: _____

Henry Heimuller, Commissioner

By: _____

Jan Greenhalgh, Recording Secretary