BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

STAFF MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2013

The Columbia County Board of Commissioners met in scheduled session with Commissioner Henry Heimuller and Commissioner Earl Fisher. Commissioner Anthony Hyde was not present.

Commissioner Heimuller called the meeting to order.

UPDATE ON PROPOSED ROAD VACATIONS:

Dave Hill, Public Works Director, came before the Board along with Robin McIntyre, Cynthia Zemaitis and Glen Crinklaw, to review the petition filed by Forestree GM, LLC and Longview Timberlands, LLC for a road vacation of a portion of Cheldelin County Road (Burns Road), Parkinen County Road and all of Thomas Enneberg County Road. There is opposition to this petition and a public hearing has been scheduled on this matter on next Wednesday, May 29th.

Dave Hill outlined the proposed vacations on a map and indicated that he felt there was really no need to keep these rights-of-way. Access to these timberlands is by the logging roads. The only portions of Cheldelin Road that are passable are those where the logging roads overlap Cheldelin. Dave suggested that the timber companies can be forced to gate the logging roads far enough back that people are not forced to park and/or turn around on private property.

Glen Crinklaw indicated the Parks Advisory Committee has asked that the Board look at keeping the Cheldelin Road right-of-way for a possible future trail. Dave pointed out that there are several other trail options around the area that are much better suited to the over-all County trail plan then Cheldelin.

There was no Executive Session held.

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Dated at St. Helens, Oregon this 22nd day of May, 2013.

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	Ву:						
	Henry Heimuller, Chair						
	By: Not Present						
Hyde, Commissioner	Anthony						
	Ву:						
By: Jan Greenhalgh, Board Office Administrator	Earl Fisher, Commissioner						