

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting for Week of July 14, 2009**

The Board met at 8:49 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Jamie Tolfree and Paul Pearce present for a staff meeting. Discussion included budget workshops, accounts payable, contracts and meeting schedule, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 and reconvened at 9:20 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings, with no action taken.

The meeting was called to order at 9:32 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners James D. Richardson, Chair, Jamie Tolfree and Paul Pearce present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Tolfree and motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Minutes for week of July 7, 2009.
2. Authorize the purchase of a roof structure to cover grandstands adjacent to the Fairgrounds Arena.
3. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM Tuesday, August 18, 2009 to consider Resolution 2009-29 amending Skamania County 2007 Comprehensive Plan to correct mapping errors.
4. Contract with HR Answers, Inc to provide human resource support to evaluate the needs of Skamania County.
5. Contract with JWC Construction, LLC, amendment #2, Change Orders #1 and #2, to increase the amount by \$49,119.34 to include the removal of unsuitable sub-grade soil and removal of trees and brush for the Rock Creek Community Services Building project.
6. Contract with O&S Enterprises NW, Inc to install a cover over grandstands adjacent to the Fairgrounds Arena.
7. Contract with Randall C. Krog and David R. Quesnel, Attorneys at Law, amendment #1, to include certain provisions required by Washington statutes required to provide public defender representation for indigent defense cases in Skamania County Superior Court.
8. Contract with Washington Gorge Action Programs to provide birth through age three and adult developmental disabilities services and administration.

The Board discussed payment elections for distribution of 2009 funds between Title I, II and III under the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act, with no action taken.

The Board discussed moving voucher approval from Thursdays to Tuesdays with the Auditor, with no action taken.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried unanimously to approve an agreement with James Dean Construction for lease of property at Wind River Business Park consisting of 108 acres at Martha Creek Field for water disposal removed from Trout Creek during the removal of the Trout Creek Dam, and 12.61 acres at Bunker Hill for use as a dry camp for employees of the Lessee.

Joe Birkenfeld advised of issues regarding the storage of material from Rock Creek.

The Board discussed the closure of the Courthouse on November 16-20, 2009 with various Elected Officials and Department Heads due to scheduled transformer replacements by the PUD and electrical upgrades, with no action taken.

Department Heads presented the following reports.

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on office move, and environmental health.
- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on chemical dependency, mental health, and developmental disabilities.
- Scott Pineo, Facilities and Recreation Director reported on various projects and programs.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on slides, Engineering Division and County Road projects, office move, and Solid Waste.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on various issues.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Tolfree and motion carried unanimously to rescind their motion of June 16, 2009 that allowed the stockpile of crushed rock at the Stevenson Transfer Site.

Tom Jermann of the City of North Bonneville gave an update on the Hamilton Creek Project.

The Board met in executive session regarding potential litigation from 10:42 a.m. until 11:18 a.m., with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:18 a.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 and reconvened at 2:37 p.m. the same date, with Commissioners Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Spencer's Consulting to discuss the need for revisions to various county policies, with no action taken.

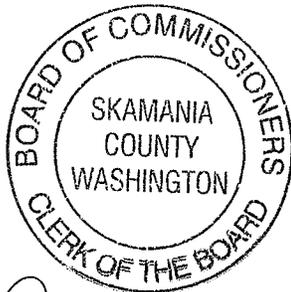
The meeting recessed at 3:10 p.m. Tuesday, July 14, 2009 and reconvened at 10:30 a.m. Thursday, July 16, 2009, with Commissioners Richardson and Pearce present via phone conference.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried to approve vouchers for the period ending July 15, 2009 in the total amount of \$572,896.83.

Commissioner Richardson gave an update on housing for a Department of Corrections client.

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m. Thursday, July 16, 2009.

**ATTEST:**



*Patricia Anderson*  
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 Clerk of the Board

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 SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

*Jamie Tolfree*  
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 Commissioner

*Paul Pearce*  
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 Commissioner

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 Commissioner

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 Absent   1