

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting for Week of September 29, 2009

The Board met at 9:10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners James D. Richardson, Chair and Jamie Tolfree present for a staff meeting. Commissioner Pearce was present via phone conference. Discussion included contracts, health insurance, Work Source training, unemployment issues, public record request, and training, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:31 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:38 a.m. Tuesday, September 29, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners James D. Richardson, Chair, and Jamie Tolfree present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

1. Minutes for week of September 22, 2009.
2. Title VI Annual Report to Department of Transportation for federal funding received by Public Works for Wind River Road and Cascade Drive Pedestrian Walkway Paving Projects.
3. Resolution 2009-38 updating the 2009 Work Plan of the Community Strategic Plan.
4. Contract with Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia NW to provide youth prevention services
5. Contract with Crest Northwest Construction, Inc for the Rock Creek Material Haul Project.
6. Contract with Department of Social and Health Services to provide funding for chemical dependency treatment and prevention services.

The meeting recessed at 9:41 a.m. Tuesday, September 29, 2009 and reconvened at 10:04 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson and Tolfree present.

Department Heads presented the following reports, followed by discussion regarding the Courthouse closure in November, energy audit, Search and Rescue Building, Washington State Flag, and website design, with no action taken.

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on SEPA Code update, National Scenic Area, and environmental health.
- Scott Pineo, Facilities and Recreation Director reported on various projects and upcoming events.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on slides, Rock Creek material hauling project, State Road 14 Pedestrian Tunnels, Engineering Division and County Road projects, and the Building Department.

The meeting recessed at 10:19 a.m. Tuesday, September 29, 2009 and reconvened at 10:34 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson and Tolfree present.

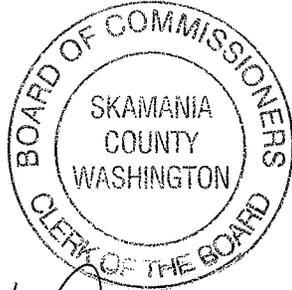
The Board participated in a workshop with Public Works to discuss Rock Creek material haul schedule, Hot Springs Avenue, Annual and Six Year Transportation Improvement Plans, Rock Creek permitting, road vacation update, East County street lights upgrade, and snow plow advisory, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:04 a.m. Tuesday, September 29, 2009 and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson and Tolfree present.

Nancy Ryke, Mt Adams District Ranger and Tom Mulder, Mount St Helens Monument District Ranger gave updates on Forest Service activities. Discussion included an update on the Pine Creek Information Center, campgrounds concessions, recreation facilities, recreation counts, motor vehicle plan, Hemlock Dam removal, timber harvest, budget, contracts, and roads.

The meeting adjourned at 2:22 p.m. Tuesday, September 29, 2009.

ATTEST:



Pamela Johnson
Clerk of the Board

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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Jan D. Lishenko
Commissioner

Tom Mulder
Commissioner

Commissioner

Aye 2
Nay
Abstain
Absent 1