

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting for Week of May 19, 2009

The Board met at 8:46 a.m. on Tuesday, May 19, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners James D. Richardson, Chair, Paul Pearce and Jamie Tolfree present. An executive session regarding personnel was held with no action taken.

The Board participated in a staff meeting from 9:04 a.m. until 9:15 a.m. to discuss scheduling and BOC travel plans and the budget, with no action taken.

The Board met with WSU Cooperative Extension Agent to discuss staffing from 9:16 a.m. until 9:20 a.m., with no action taken.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 9:21 a.m. until 9:30 a.m., with no action taken.

The meeting was called to order at 9:35 a.m., 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 of May 12, 2009.
2. Acknowledge Claim for Damages from Richard Keller.
3. Agreement with Department of Transportation to provide 2009 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Stimulus) funds for the Wind River Road & Cascade Drive Pedestrian Walkway paving projects.
4. Agreement with ESRI, Inc. for continued software maintenance, updates, & technical assistance for the ArcView program used by the Assessor.
5. Agreement with the Western Federal Lands Highway Division (WFLHD) to provide reimbursement of expenses for design engineering services for the Cape Horn Trail Pedestrian tunnel, & authorize Public Works to proceed to initiate the process for request for proposals for design engineering services upon receipt of the signed reimbursement agreement from WFLHD.
6. Contract with Emmert International, amendment #1, to extend the term to December 31, 2009 for relocation of the modular building at Wind River Business Park.
7. Contract with Jim Patterson to provide on-call mental health treatment & crisis services.
8. Contract with Monica Masco to provide general accounting services for the Board of Commissioners.
9. Courthouse Annex Remodel Construction Set Plans, Project Manual, & Specifications; & authorize the Facilities & Recreation Director to proceed with advertisement for bids.
10. Facilities & Recreation new job descriptions for Event Staff – Crew at Range 7, Event Staff – Lead worker at Range 12, and Event Staff – Operations at Range 12; and rescind job descriptions for Fair – Lead Worker and Fair – Trolley Driver.

The meeting recessed at 9:45 a.m. and reconvened at 9:51 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson, Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board meet with the Community Development Director to discuss WRIA 25/26 and 27/28, WRIA 29a & 29b and mosquito control.

Department Heads presented the following reports.

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects and will be having a workshop with Commissioners to discuss job posting for vacancy.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on the vacant Office Assistant position, WRIA 29 and scheduling.
- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director was away for SCHS and state CJTA meetings. Her written report covered chemical dependency, mental health, developmental disabilities, and public health.
- Scott Pineo, Facilities and Recreation Director reported on Rock Creek Community Services Building, Courthouse Annex Remodel, Fairgrounds, Energy Conservation Audit, and the RidgeRun/Health Fair.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on slides, State Route 14 Pedestrian Tunnels, Engineering and County Road projects, and ER&R, Building department and Solid Waste operations.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on staff selection for Bus Driver II, training and meetings, contracts, and risk management.

At 10:20 a.m. Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Tolfree and motion carried to amend motion approving consent agenda, striking consent agenda item #10 and carrying it forward to next week's agenda.

The Board met with Public Works Director and Prosecutor in Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

The Board met with Central Services Director regarding posting job opening for vacant position in IT. The director was given permission to advertise for the position.

Walt Loehrke, Columbia River Gorge Commission (CRGC) member reported on LCDC and WA, Governor to Governor meeting and 1 year anniversary and training opportunities forthcoming.

The meeting recessed at 11:41 a.m. on May 19, 2009.

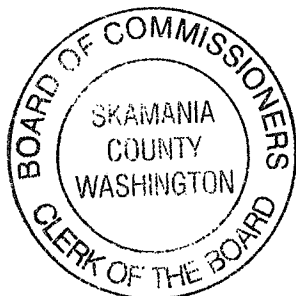
The meeting reconvened on May 21, 2009 with Commissioner Richardson, and Commissioner Tolfree participating via conference call. The Board is participating in a National Association of Counties conference in Pendleton, Oregon.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried to approve vouchers for the period ending May 20, 2009 in the total amount of \$283,417.75.

Commissioner Richardson noted further discussion needed with Department of Corrections concerning housing needs.

The meeting adjourned at 9:39 a.m. Thursday, May 14, 2009.

ATTEST:



Debbie Slack
Deputy Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Jim Richardson
Commissioner

Paul Ren
Commissioner

Commissioner

Aye 2
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent 1