

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting for Week of July 7, 2009**

The Board met at 9:05 a.m. on Tuesday, July 7, 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 meeting updates, contracts, ADP Human Resource Module, policies, housing for a Department of Corrections client, and scheduling, with no action taken.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2009 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Jamie Tolfree and Paul Pearce present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

1. Minutes for week of June 30, 2009.
2. Acknowledge receipt of a Claim for Damages from Dave and Joanne Gildersleeve.
3. Facilities & Recreation Events Manager revised job description.
4. Resolution 2009-28 distributing PUD Privilege Taxes received by Skamania County Treasurer in 2009.
5. Authorize the purchase of radio interference tracking equipment for the Sheriff's Emergency Services 2009 Title III Project, to be purchased with budgeted funds.
6. Authorize a uniform change for the Sheriff's Patrol Division to be purchased using funds from the Drug Fund.
7. Authorize up to two part-time contracted employees to assist with completing the necessary requirements to complete a FEMA approved Hazard Mitigation Plan, with wages to be reimbursed through the Hazard Mitigation Grant.
8. Authorize Facilities & Recreation Director to proceed with the sale of surplus furniture and equipment.
9. Authorize funding up to \$175,000 for energy lighting upgrades for county facilities through the Department of General Administration.
10. Agreement with Washington State Department of Agriculture to provide funding to control invasive knotweed species in various locations.
11. Agreement with Department of Social & Health Services-Division of Alcohol & Substance Abuse to provide funding for chemical dependency treatment and prevention services.
12. Contract with Big Brothers Big Sisters Columbia NW to provide youth prevention services.
13. Contract with Department of General Administration, amendment #1, to approve funding for the construction/remodel of the Courthouse Annex per Master Agreement #2008-751.
14. Contract with Radio Parties to provide a DJ for Skamania County Fair Street Dance.

John Carlson, Emergency Management Coordinator reported on All Hazards Mitigation Planning, Region IV Multi-Agency Coordination System, Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan, Emergency Management Performance Grant, Washington State Staging Area Working Group, Community Emergency Response Team Program, Local Emergency Planning Committee, National Incident Management System compliance, Mt. Hood Planning Team, Search and Rescue, and Emergency Operations Center.

The meeting recessed at 9:45 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and reconvened at 10:05 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Tolfree and Pearce present.

Department Heads presented the following reports, followed by discussion regarding the need for clarification of the bonus annual leave provision in the Personnel Policy, with no action taken.

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on an upcoming performance audit, office move, environmental health, and the National Scenic Area.
- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on chemical dependency, mental health, developmental disabilities and public health.
- 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.

The meeting recessed at 10:28 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and reconvened at 10:40 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Community Health to discuss chemical dependency and developmental disabilities, with no action taken.

The Board participated in a workshop with Community Development to discuss a proposed resolution to correct Comp Plan mapping errors and planning, building, and health process, with no action taken.

The Board met in executive session regarding potential litigation from 11:18 a.m. until 11:45 a.m., with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:45 a.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and reconvened at 1:45 p.m. the same date, with Commissioners Tolfree and Pearce present.

Nancy Ryke, Mt Adams District Ranger and Tom Mulder, Mount St Helens Monument District Ranger gave updates on Forest Service activities. Discussion included the opening of various roads, opening of the Pine Creek facility, recreation visitors in the forest, new employees to the Forest Service, fire preparedness review, Columbia Dispatch Center, Hemlock Dam removal, timber sales, Title II Projects, Mount St Helens Advisory Committee, proposal for cell towers in the North County, Cowlitz Fire & Rescue, stimulus funds for roads and bridges, Blue Ridge Pipeline project, and motor vehicle use maps.

The meeting recessed at 2:53 p.m. Tuesday, July 7, 2009 and reconvened at 10:35 Thursday, July 9, 2009, with Commissioner Pearce present. Commissioner Tolfree was present via phone conference.

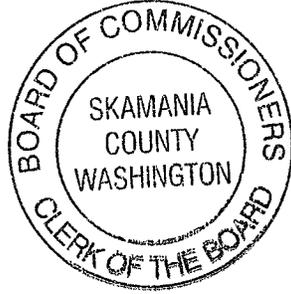
Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried to approve payroll for the period ending June 30, 2009 in the total amount of \$872,631.52.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried to approve a letter of support to the Department of Natural Resources for a proposal to the Department of Energy Recovery Act: Geothermal Technologies Program.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried to approve vouchers for the period ending July 7, 2009 in the total amount of \$363,444.56.

The meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m. Thursday, July 9, 2009.

ATTEST:



Pamela Johnson  
Clerk of the Board

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Jim Richards  
Commissioner

Jamie Tolpre  
Commissioner

David [unclear]  
Commissioner

Aye 3  
Nay \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent \_\_\_\_\_