

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting for Week of March 31, 2009**

On Monday March 30, 2009, the Board participated in a joint public meeting of the Boards of County Commissioners of Clark, Klickitat, Skamania and Yakima Counties at 9:30 a.m. held in the Public Utility District No. 1 Meeting Room, 1313 S. Columbus Street, Goldendale, Washington to consider nominees selected by the Republican Central Committee for appointment to the Washington State House of Representatives 15th Legislative District position recently vacated by Dan Newhouse. David Taylor was appointed to the vacant position.

The Board met at 8:48 a.m. on Tuesday, March 31, 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 for a staff meeting. Discussion included scheduling, Human Services Council, Mount St Helens Advisory Committee meetings, community garden project, Facilities and Recreation staff salary range increases, local labor for Rock Creek Services Center project, and the Fairgrounds grandstand cover project, with no action taken.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 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.

Dave Proesser, a local contractor advised of the need to consider local contractors for the proposed Rock Creek Services Center project.

Greg Wiebe from Columbia Hardware advised he would like to see local labor and materials used for the Rock Creek Services Center project.

Chris McDonald of Bulldog Plumbing advised of the need to consider local contractors for the proposed Rock Creek Services Center project.

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

1. Minutes for week of March 24, 2009.
2. Acknowledge receipt of 2009 Title III Project Applications and set public meeting for 2:30 PM Tuesday, June 2, 2009 to take public comment and consider approval of 2009 Title III Projects.
3. Authorize transfer of surplus laptop computer to Skamania County Poverty Outreach Program.
4. Community Development Block Grant Grantee Closeout Performance Report for 2008 for Public Services Contract No. 08-64008-007.
5. Certifications to County Road Administration Board for 2008 Road Fund Expenditures for Traffic Law Enforcement; Fish Barrier Removal Costs; and Annual Construction Report.
6. Construction Stormwater Permit Application to the Department of Ecology for the Rock Creek Community Services Building.
7. Request for proposals for Special Event Security Services, set deadline to receive proposals for 4:00 PM Tuesday, April 21, 2009, set date to open proposals for 11:00 AM Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at the Facilities & Recreation Office.
8. Agreement with Sherman Technical Industries for lease of Building #2227 at Wind River Business Park.
9. Agreement with Washington State Military Department to provide funding for Skamania County Multi-Hazard Mitigation Plan.

10. Contract with Clark Regional Emergency Services Agency, amendment #1, to extend the term, add a termination clause and amend Exhibit B Clark County Project Costs for emergency notification system services to the counties of Region IV.
11. Contract with Nickolyn Myers to serve as a volunteer host for Big Cedars Campground.
12. Contract with Riverside Electric, LLC, amendment #1, increasing the amount by \$1,311.82 for electrical and phone connection to the new Stevenson Fuel site located at the WSDOT site along SR 14 west of Stevenson.
13. Memorandum of Understanding with Columbia Cascade Housing Corporation for the County to provide funding for the White Cap Apartments Project.
14. Resolution 2009-19 establishing a change fund for the County Clerk/Clerk of the Superior Court.
15. Resolution 2009-20 accepting and endorsing the 2009 Work Plan of the Community Strategic Plan.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Tolfree and motion carried unanimously to authorize a joint letter with the Cape Horn Conservancy and Friends of the Gorge to the Forest Service regarding the Cape Horn Trail.

The meeting recessed at 9:55 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and reconvened at 10:07 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson, Tolfree and Pearce present.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on environmental health, vacant Office Assistant position, and the National Scenic Area.
- Scott Pineo, Facilities and Recreation Director reported on various projects and programs.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on program monitoring and training, and risk management.
- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on chemical dependency, mental health, developmental disabilities, and public health.

The meeting recessed at 10:33 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and reconvened at 10:44 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson, Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Senior Services to discuss a 4-10 schedule for full-time employees, ethics policy, cell phone bill, program monitoring, computer programming needs, and general public transportation fares, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:20 a.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and reconvened at 11:33 a.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson, Tolfree and Pearce present.

The Board advised of their agreement with the Facilities and Recreation Director to move two employees to the top of their salary range due to an increase in complex projects.

The Board participated in a workshop with Facilities and Recreation to discuss bidding and local labor for the Rock Creek Services Center project.

The meeting recessed at 12:18 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and reconvened at 1:00 p.m. the same date, with Commissioners Richardson, Tolfree and Pearce present.

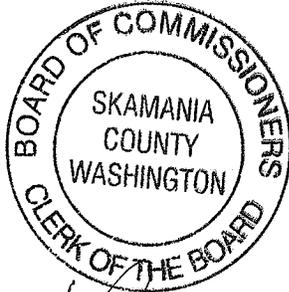
Chris Hughey, Librarian for Stevenson Community Library gave a presentation on "Skamania County Reads" event and presented each Board member with the book Three Cups of Tea to read and pass along to others in the community for the county-wide read.

The meeting recessed at 1:15 p.m. Tuesday, March 31, 2009 and reconvened at 9:48 a.m. Thursday, April 2, 2009, with Commissioners Richardson and Tolfree present.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried to approve vouchers for the period ending April 1, 2009 in the total amount of \$660,632.99.

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m. Thursday, April 2, 2009.

ATTEST:



Patricia Johnson  
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Jim Richardson  
Commissioner  
Jamie Tolfree  
Commissioner  
Paul ...  
Commissioner

Aye 5  
Nay \_\_\_\_\_  
Abstain \_\_\_\_\_  
Absent \_\_\_\_\_