

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of April 20, 2010

The Board met at 8:53 a.m. on Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Jamie Tolfree, Chair, James D. Richardson, and Paul Pearce present for a staff meeting. Discussion included meeting schedules, Library parking lot issues, and AFLAC optional employee insurance policies, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:16 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 20, 2010 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Jamie Tolfree, Chair, James D. Richardson, and Paul Pearce present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

John Mobley of A&J Select Market and Tony Coates of Gator Creek Nursery advised of concerns regarding vendors located by the Bridge of the Gods on SR 14.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows, with the exception of Item #8 that was removed:

1. Minutes of April 13, 2010.
2. Liquor license renewal for Stabler Country Store.
3. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM Tuesday, May 11, 2010 to consider Resolution 2010-20 amending the Critical Areas Update Public Participation Program.
4. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM Tuesday, May 11, 2010 to consider Ordinance 2010-04 amending various sections of Skamania County Code Chapter 2.80 Office of Hearing Examiner.
5. Appoint Tamara Wehrer as a representative to the Skamania County Homeless Housing Council for a two-year unexpired term, ending April 14, 2011.
6. Authorize the purchase of two desktop computers and monitors for Community Development.
7. Authorize the purchase of one desktop computer and monitor for Public Works.
- ~~8. Authorize the purchase of equipment to upgrade current network switch capabilities to allow better manageability and flexibility in configuration of security aspects of network management.~~
9. Revised 2011 Title II Project Application for Skamania County Snowplow for Recreation.
10. Agreement with Gail Fullerton, revising previous agreement approved on March 16, 2010, for lease of House #1053 at Wind River Business Park.
11. Agreement with USDA Forest Service Gifford Pinchot National Forest, modification #7, to provide additional projects and funding for the Title II Inmate Work Crew Program.
12. Contract with Granite Northwest, Inc for bid items 4, 5 and 6 of the 2010 crushed aggregate for delivery to the Carson Stockpile.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Tolfree and motion carried to authorize the purchase of equipment to upgrade current network switch capabilities to allow better manageability and flexibility in configuration of security aspects of network management. Commissioner Richardson recused himself from the vote.

The Auditor advised of his concern regarding withholding taxes from payroll draws and the need for compliance with a Federal Internal Revenue Service Bulletin Tax Guide, and presented options for consideration. Commissioner Pearce advised of an RCW that addressed the Auditor's concerns. No action was taken as a result of this discussion.

The Chief Deputy Auditor advised of a proposed increase in marriage license fees that could fund family services and family court. The Board discussed the need to draft a resolution to create funds for the collection of fees to be used locally for family services and family court.

Sharon Tiffany, Interpretive Center Director reported on accessions and exhibits, events, marketing and fund raising, and administration.

The meeting recessed at 10:00 a.m. and reconvened at 10:08 a.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

Department Heads presented the following reports, followed by discussion regarding information stored on the hard drive of copy machines, with no action taken.

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on training and digital zoning maps.
- 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 facility projects, Fairgrounds, County photo badge maker, summer hires, and upcoming Fairground events.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on Engineering and County Road and Solid Waste.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on advertising for vacant positions, annual assessment of Medicaid Transportation Program, and congregate meals.

The meeting recessed at 10:24 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Underwood Conservation District and WSU Cooperative Extension to discuss the Title III Firewise Program, with no action taken.

The Board participated in a workshop with Community Health to discuss a supplemental budget, contracts, personnel, grants, emergency preparedness, and developmental disabilities, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:37 a.m. and reconvened at 11:43 a.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

Walt Loehrke, Columbia River Gorge Commission (CRGC) member gave an overview of the CRGC meeting of April 13, 2010.

The meeting recessed at 12:02 p.m. and reconvened at 1:38 p.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Community Development to discuss the Development Review Process Audit, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:35 p.m. and reconvened at 2:43 p.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Facilities and Recreation to discuss a temporary custodial contract and Rock Creek Community Services Building change orders, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:59 p.m. and reconvened at 3:02 p.m., with Commissioners Tolfree, Richardson, and Pearce present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Bill Hundley, Superintendent and Patti Price, Director for Stevenson-Carson School District regarding the swimming pool, with no action taken.

Commissioner Tolfree moved, seconded by Commissioner Pearce and motion carried unanimously to approve, as the fronting landowner on Second Street, the Stevenson Farmers Market adjacent to the Courthouse lawn.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to authorize Commissioner Pearce to sign a Regional letter contesting the FAA withdrawal of a no hazard decision on several wind energy facilities in the Columbia River Gorge and notification of a moratorium.

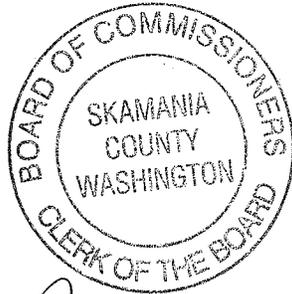
The Board discussed a letter from the Leach's of Underwood regarding Wess Road, with no action taken.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to reinstate the exempt status of the District Court Commissioner/Administrator position, effective May 1, 2010.

The Board discussed the need for a septic system on property located at Ryan-Allen Road and Foster Creek Road, with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 3:58 p.m. Tuesday, April 20, 2010.

ATTEST:



Pamela Johnson
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Jeanne Tolfree
Commissioner
John Richardson
Commissioner
Paul Pearce
Commissioner

Aye 3
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____