

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of November 22, 2011

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on November 22, 2011 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Paul Pearce, Chair, Jim Richardson and Robert Anderson present for a staff meeting. Discussion included Hartford Plan amendment, membership renewals, personnel, and Cemetery District web page on County website, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:12 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. November 22, 2011 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Paul Pearce, Chair, Jim Richardson and Robert Anderson present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Tom Linde submitted a letter in regards to his concerns with the decision to not plow Wind River Road from the Carson National Fish Hatchery to Mile Post 30 due to budgetary issues.

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

1. Minutes of November 15, 2011.
2. Contract with Department of Commerce, amendment #1 to increase CDBG funding and extend the end date for public services provided through Washington Gorge Action Programs to low- and moderate-income persons in Skamania and Klickitat Counties.
3. Agreement with Washington Gorge Action Programs to increase CDBG subrecipient funding and extend the end date for providing public services to low- and moderate-income persons in Skamania and Klickitat Counties.
4. Agreement with US Locality Registry to insure that Skamania County maintains current information for the County web domain name.
5. Memorandum of Understanding with OPEIU Local 11 Manager's Unit regarding longevity pay.
6. Resolution 2011-53 to partially re-pay and extend Current Expense Loan.
7. Resolution 2011-54 to repay Current Expense indebtedness.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve an agreement with Console Cleaning Specialists, Inc to provide cleaning, maintenance and/or repair services on dispatch consoles.

Commissioner Pearce moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to reduce the \$900 fee for the National Scenic Area (NSA) application on tax parcel #01-05-06-0-0-0600-00, owned by Anthony & Maurita Klement to \$300.00. The new NSA application is replacing an expired NSA application that was not commenced within the two year time period of issuance. The new NSA application is only applying for a portion of the items listed on and approved in the original application, and must be submitted prior to December 29, 2011 for the fee reduction to be valid.

Todd Murray, WSU Extension Agent reported on administration, 4-H, community development, natural resource, small farms and home gardening.

The meeting recessed at 9:41 a.m. and reconvened at 10:02 a.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on an upcoming workshop, general administration, Planning Division, Environmental Health Division, and Building Division.
- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on Behavioral Health, Public Health, and Developmental Disabilities.
- Scott Pineo, Facilities and Recreation Director reported on low voltage project, maintenance activities, Fairgrounds, upcoming Fairgrounds events, boat launches/parks, capital projects, cable franchise modifications, and personnel.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on Upper Wind River area recreation, slides, Engineering and County Road projects, ER&R and Solid Waste.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on transportation, budgets, program monitoring, luncheons, energy assistance program, and risk management.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 10:10 a.m. until 10:25 a.m., with no action taken.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings, with no action taken.

Buzz Davis, Safety Committee Chair presented the Safety Committee report.

- Report #2011-E-09. Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2011-14. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to only publish what is legally required in the newspaper and to run an ad in the three local newspapers advising that Commissioners meeting agenda and minutes may be viewed on the County's website.

The meeting recessed at 11:08 a.m. and reconvened at 11:17 a.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Public Works to discuss motorist information sign policy, Wind River Recreation Area update, and Winter Guidelines for 2011-2012, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:30 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m. the same date, with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

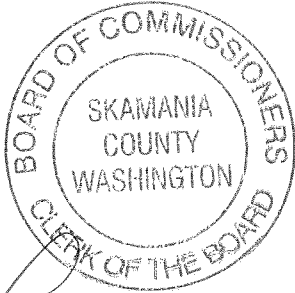
The Board discussed camping cabins in the Swift Area, with no action taken.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 1:40 p.m. until 2:15 p.m., with no action taken.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 2:15 p.m. until 2:40 p.m., with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

ATTEST:


Danella Johnson
Clerk of the Board

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Paul Rea
Commissioner

Jim Richardson
Commissioner

Robert Anderson
Commissioner

Aye 3
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____