

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting of January 25, 2011**

The Board met at 9:03 a.m. on January 25, 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 office organizing, Board Room chairs, training, Commissioner assignments, and meetings, with no action taken.

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

The meeting recessed at 9:16 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. January 25, 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.

Mary Repar advised of her concerns regarding CGBREZ practices, executive sessions, potential jobs for the proposed Whistling Ridge project, and the moving of a light pole at Cook Underwood Road and SR 14.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as follows, with the exception of item #7 that was removed:

1. Minutes of January 19, 2011.
2. Acknowledge Governor Gregoire's reappointment of David L'Hommedieu to the Boundary Review Board.
3. Special occasion liquor license for American Legion Post 122.
4. Authorization to purchase cabinetry to remodel the WIC Room at Community Health to accommodate health procedures.
5. Agreement with American Fidelity Assurance Company amending the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan to reflect provisions of the Heroes Earnings and Assistance Relief Tax Act of 2008.
6. Agreement with American Fidelity Assurance Company amending the 457(b) Deferred Compensation Plan, Section 6, Part A, Participant Direction to allow participants in the plan to choose their own investments from the Plan's approved providers.
- ~~7. Agreement with Human Services Council to provide reimbursement for non-emergency medical transportation services to eligible residents.~~
8. Agreement with Work Source Columbia Gorge for Senior Services to provide job training as an Office Assistant for a Community Jobs Training participant.
9. Certification to the County Road Administration Board of the 2011 Road Levy and Estimated Revenue Produced.
10. Contract with James W. Potts to provide legislative representation in Olympia during legislative sessions and at various meetings and conferences of interest to the County.
11. Contract with Skamania County Mosquito Control District for pest management services within specific areas of Skamania County.
12. Contract with Senior Services of Skamania County, Inc to provide funding for nutritional and activities programs at the Senior Center in North Bonneville.
13. Lease Agreement with Skamania County Lions Club, amendment #2 to extend the duration of the lease to January 31, 2012 for providing a center for recycling newspapers, aluminum cans and other commodities, as authorized.
14. USDA Forest Service Water Transmission Line Special Use Permit for use of the Forest Service water system at Wind River Business Park.

15. Contract with Skamania County Economic Development Council, amendment #1 to add an addendum to the scope of work to include a match by the County for the Forest Foundation Grant and to increase the amount by \$10,000.

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

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to approve a letter to ADP terminating their contract for providing payroll services to the County.

The meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve a Memorial Proclamation proclaiming Jack DeShong to be "A First Citizen of Skamania County".

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Terry Blaisdell, Central Services Director reported on various projects.
- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on 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 swim pool, IT server room project, Wind River Business Park water system, Search and Rescue Building, and Sheriff's Office keyless entry.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on slides, Engineering and County Road projects, and ER&R.
- Marilyn Butler, Senior Services Director/Risk Manager reported on training, transportation, surplus vehicles, personnel, and risk management.

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

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

The meeting recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 11:02 a.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

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

- Report #2010-15 Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2010-16. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2010-18. Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2010-E-22. Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2010-E-23. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.

- Report #2010-E-24. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 11:20 a.m. until 11:25 a.m., with no action taken.

The Board participated in a workshop with Senior Services to discuss Kaiser Health Insurance bill for January, Human Services Council contract, leave of absence, personnel issues, and transportation shelters project, with no action taken.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to authorize the Chair to sign a contract extension to February 15, 2011 with the Human Services Council.

The meeting recessed at 11:38 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 5, 2011 in the total amount of \$28,906.96.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 10, 2011 in the total amount of \$111,439.20.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 18, 2011 in the total amount of \$115,522.78.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Richardson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 24, 2011 in the total amount of \$1,003,585.26.

The Board met with the Prosecutor in executive session regarding potential litigation from 1:34 p.m. until 1:50 p.m., with no action taken.

Susan Looker, Claims Manager for Washington Counties Risk Pool gave updates on the Claims Policy. Discussion included settlements, defense counsel, public records issues, and training.

The meeting recessed at 2:42 p.m. and reconvened at 3:07 p.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Community Development to discuss zoning changes for Hearing Examiner, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 3:22 p.m. and reconvened at 3:31 p.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

The Board continued in a workshop with Community Development to discuss zoning changes for Hearing Examiner, with no action taken.

Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 25, 2011 in the total amount of \$84,101.34.

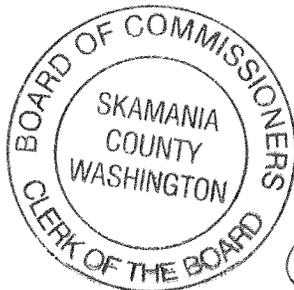
The meeting recessed at 4:00 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m., with Commissioners Pearce, Richardson and Anderson present.

A public hearing was held to consider vacating McQueen Road from milepost 0.18 to 0.25 (end), prompted by a letter from Clark and Leila Prestia petitioning the County to vacate a portion of the road. Tim Homann, County Engineer presented the Engineer's report and recommended the vacation. There were no comments from the public. Commissioner Richardson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve the vacation as presented.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel from 5:35 p.m. until 5:53 p.m., with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m. January 25, 2011.

**ATTEST:**



*Doretha Johnson*  
Clerk of the Board

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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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