

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting of October 1, 2013**

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on October 1, 2013 for a staff meeting at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Robert Anderson, Chair, Christopher Brong, and Doug McKenzie present. Discussion included Legislative Steering Committee membership, request to purchase an adjustable desk frame, upcoming grant workshop, budget workshops, a proposal to process Klickitat County NSA applications, support letter for Woody Biomass Thermal Energy, and a tour of several forest plantations located in the Wind River Drainage of the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:12 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. October 1, 2013 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Robert Anderson, Chair, Christopher Brong, and Doug McKenzie present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Board presented plaques for 25-years of faithful service to County Road Division employees Gary Blaisdell and Doug Shields.

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

1. Minutes of September 24, 2013.
2. Liquor license application for Gorge Crest Winery for domestic winery.
3. Resolution 2013-41 Partially Repay Current Expense Loans.
4. Local Agency Federal Aid Project Prospectus to Washington State Department of Transportation for Wind River Road Resurface and Safety Improvements from Paradise Creek to Old Man Pass.
5. Agreement with Yakama Nation to provide funding for treatment of noxious weeds on the Yakama Nation revegetation area on the White Salmon River.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve Ordinance 2013-03 to create a moratorium on the establishment of marijuana-related facilities and uses within unincorporated Skamania County (except for those uses related to collective medical cannabis gardens regulated under Skamania County Code Chapter 8.80).

Commissioner Brong moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to set a public hearing for 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, October 22, 2013 to consider public comment regarding the adoption of Ordinance 2013-03.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending September 30, 2013 in the total amount of \$42,050.39.

Commissioner Brong moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to sign onto a letter, drafted by Sustainable Northwest in Oregon and Northern Forest Center in New Hampshire, urging the Obama Administration and Congress to craft and support national energy policies that promote woody biomass thermal energy markets.

Commissioner Brong moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve the purchase of an essential ergonomic accommodation adjustable frame for a desk in the Community Health Department.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings which included 2014 Preliminary Budget workshops, union negotiations, Superior Court public defense attorney contracts, Legislative Steering committee, tour of forest plantation sites in the Wind River drainage and newsletters to interested parties, and Department of Natural Resources regarding encumbered lands, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:44 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Kirby Richards, Community Health Director reported on behavioral health, public health, and developmental disabilities.
- Scott Pineo, General Services Director reported on department activities, facilities management, events & recreation, human resources, risk management, senior services and information technology.
- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on Engineering, County Road, ER&R, and Solid Waste.

The meeting recessed at 10:16 a.m. and reconvened at 10:30 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

The Board participated in 2014 Preliminary Budget Workshops for External Services with the following: Chamber of Commerce, Economic Development Council, Senior Services, Inc, Skamania County Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Skamania County Food Bank, and Underwood Conservation District.

The meeting recessed at 10:54 a.m. and reconvened at 11:30 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

The Board interviewed Emily Stevenson for the Interim Noxious Weed Control Coordinator position, with no action taken.

The Board interviewed Caylen Valentine-George for the Interim Noxious Weed Control Coordinator position, with no action taken.

The Board met in executive session regarding personnel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(g) from 12:25 p.m. until 12:32 p.m., with no action taken.

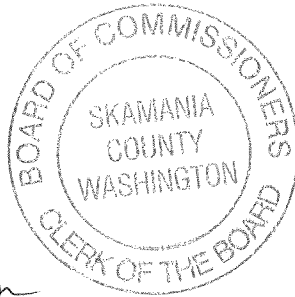
The meeting recessed at 12:32 p.m. and reconvened at 1:37 p.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

Darren Nichols, Columbia River Gorge Commission (CRGC) Director and Keith Chamberlain, CRGC representative for Skamania County reported on the CRGC. Discussion included upcoming CRGC meeting in Vancouver, Klickitat County National Scenic Area application process, the need for resources for Management Plan updates, two-state regional transportation plan, three cities initiative, grant for urban area planning, and the Columbia River Treaty with Canada.

The meeting adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

*Pamela Johnson*  
Clerk of the Board



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

*Robert Anderson*  
Commissioner

*Cheryl Boone*  
Commissioner

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner

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