

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of August 13, 2013

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on August 13, 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 a support letter for Agora investment platform, an upcoming presentation on Fiscal Sustainability Initiative, and Fair opening, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:03 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. August 13, 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.

Mary Repar advised of the costs for the Underwood Community Garden and asked for help putting up fencing at the Stevenson Community Garden.

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

1. Minutes of August 6, 2013.
2. Surplus recommended vehicle list and authorize Public Works Director to sell said vehicles.
3. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM Tuesday, September 17, 2013 to consider Supplemental Budget #4.
4. Appointments to Civil Service Board – Position #1 Thomas Linde, Position #2 Brenda Bush, Position #3 Ryan Casper.
5. Agreement with Educational Service District No. 112 to provide developmental disability birth through age three services in Skamania County.
6. Agreement with Lexis Nexis to provide online legal research in the Law Library for public access.
7. Agreement with Washington Gorge Action Programs for subrecipient of Community Development Block Grant funds to provide public services to low-and moderate-income persons within Skamania and Klickitat Counties.
8. Agreement with WesTek Marketing for service of the Stencil Logging Recorder System.
9. Contract with Eclipse Security to provide security services at rental facilities as outlined in Skamania County Policy on Use of County Facilities.
10. Contract with Tangible Systems, Inc to provide Developmental Disabilities Adult Supported Employment Services for eligible participants.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve a letter of support to Mid Columbia Economic Development District for the Agora investment platform.

Commissioner Brong moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending August 12, 2013 in the total amount of \$121,444.08.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve a request from Public Works to hire an on-call employee for September 19, 2013.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings which included Gifford Pinchot Accountability Group, One Prevention Alliance, Sustainable Northwest event, upcoming Columbia Land Trust meeting, Regional Transportation Council, Regional Transportation Policy Committee, Red Carpet Committee, IT Users Forum, Mid Columbia Economic Development District Loan Committee, and a meeting with Shari Hildreth, Deputy District Director and Drew Griffin, Press Secretary for Senator

Jaime Herrera Beutler regarding healthy forest management and wildfire/salvage issues on the national forest.

The meeting recessed at 9:46 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on general administration, planning information, environmental health information, and building and fire safety information.
- 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 10:13 a.m. and reconvened at 10:16 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

Sheriff Dave Brown, Mary Ann Duncan-Cole, City of Stevenson Administrator and John Carlson, Emergency Management Coordinator gave a presentation on an Emergency Services Facility Feasibility Study to assess the potential of sharing a joint emergency facility between Fire District #2, Stevenson Fire Department, Department of Emergency Management, and the Emergency Medical District.

The meeting recessed at 10:42 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

The Board met with the Financial Management Committee to discuss the 2013 Budget, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:45 a.m. and reconvened at 1:00 p.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

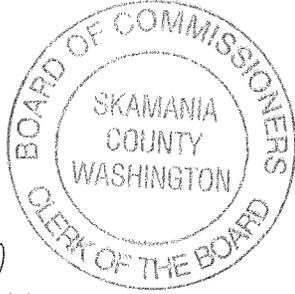
The Board participated in a workshop with Superior Court Judge Brian Altman to discuss contracting for public defender services and the Commissioners duty to set the compensation and terms of public defender contracts, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 1:25 p.m. and reconvened at 1:32 p.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

The Board participated in a workshop with representatives from One Prevention Alliance regarding I-502 Marijuana Regulations. Discussion included major concerns regarding the legalization of recreational marijuana use and recommendation to impose a one-year moratorium to ensure proper and responsible zoning, community safety, proper enforcement and positive economic impact

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

ATTEST:



Samela Johnson
Clerk of the Board

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Robert Anderson
Commissioner

Clayton Bray
Commissioner

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Commissioner

Aye 3
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____