

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of July 30, 2013

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on July 30, 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 Civil Service Commission applications, supplemental budget, state forest board projections, interfund loan payments, upcoming Southwest Washington Behavioral Health meeting, the need to review revenues and the need to negotiate a loan extension with Sterling Bank, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:17 a.m.

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

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

1. Minutes of July 23, 2013.
2. Grantee Closeout Performance Report for Community Development Block Grant Contract No. 12-65400-007.
3. Agreement the Administrative Office of the Court to provide funding to handle truancy, at risk youth and child in need of services programs.
4. Contract with Les Hastings to provide physical fitness programming for the General Services Department.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve an authorization to purchase a replacement DVR for the jail cameras.

Commissioner Brong moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending July 29, 2013 in the total amount of \$114,569.77.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings, which included discussion of the Bridge of the Gods, Discovery Passes and SR 14/Wind River Road intersection with Senator Curtis King, union meetings, Washington Wildlife and Recreation Coalition and Columbia Land Trust, discussion regarding active forest lands with Shari Hildreth, Aide for Senator Jamie Herrera-Beutler, Southwest Washington Behavioral Health, encumbered lands, declaration of state of emergency due to the Bridge of the Gods weight restrictions, activation of the Multi-Agency Coordination Group, and Forest Service Leadership Team, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:49 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, events & recreation, human resources, risk management, senior services and information technology.

- Larry Douglass, Public Works Director reported on Engineering, County Road, ER&R, Solid Waste and budgets.

The meeting recessed at 10:17 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

Vyrle Hill, Executive Director and David Goldsmith, Member Services Manager for Washington Counties Risk Pool gave a presentation on risk management resources offered to Counties.

The meeting recessed at 12:07 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m., with Commissioners Anderson, Brong, and McKenzie present.

The Board participated in a workshop with Elected Officials to discuss an increase in salaries per Resolution 2008-62 that sets Skamania County Elected Officials salaries at a percentage of the Superior Court Judge's salary, and allows for increases for Skamania County Elected Officials when changes occur to the Superior Court Judge's salaries, as set by the Washington Citizens Commission on Salaries for Elected Officials. Prosecutor Adam Kick provided legal advice regarding individual options, with no action taken.


Commissioner McKenzie advised of receiving information from Senator Curtis King of possible funding for the SR 14/Wind River Road intersection and of receiving information from Lynn Burditt, Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Manager regarding land trust negotiations involving the Pacific Crest Trail.

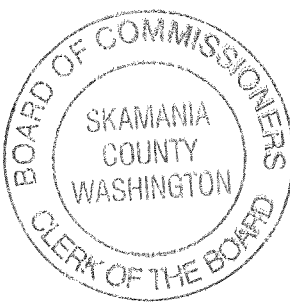
The Board participated in a workshop with Public Works to discuss the 2013 ER&R surplus list, with no action taken.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried unanimously to approve a request from the Public Works Director to hire an on-call employee for the Solid Waste Division for August 3, 8, 11, and 31 and September 4, 2013.

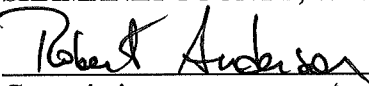
The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.


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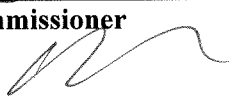

Clerk of the Board



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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**


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Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____