

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting of March 4, 2014**

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on March 4, 2014 for a staff meeting at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Christopher Brong, Chair and Doug McKenzie present and Commissioner Robert Anderson present by phone. Discussion included an upcoming meeting at the Forest Headquarters in Vancouver regarding the Gifford Pinchot Road Systems, Columbia River Gorge Visitors Association membership dues, signage for the Financial Management Office, payroll approval, set a public hearing on revisions to the WRIA 25-26 Watershed Management Plan, and an upcoming meeting with Senator Cantwell's Outreach Director, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:15 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. March 4, 2014 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Christopher Brong, Chair and Doug McKenzie present and Commissioner Robert Anderson present by phone, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mary Repar asked the Board to consider planning for a better and more efficient community in addition to the current pressing financial issues.

Dan Boyes advised that minutes for February 19, 2014 were not posted on the county website and commented about the audio of meetings being removed from the website until it is determined that the guidelines for public comment have been met and the audio is acceptable to post.

Tom Linde asked the Board to consider removing the access restriction on Rock Creek, which was put in place due to a landslide several years ago, to allow fishermen access to Rock Creek to catch steelhead.

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

1. Minutes of February 25, 2014.
2. Special occasion liquor licenses for Skamania County Chamber of Commerce for Barnstorming Bluegrass and Columbia Gorge Bluegrass Festival.
3. Resolution 2014-18 partially repay Current Expense Fund loan.
4. Resolution 2014-19 interfund loan from Special Revenue Fund, Cumulative Reserves Loan Fund to Current Expense Fund, Non-Departmental Revenues Fund.
5. Agreement with US Army Corps of Engineers, Portland District to provide funding for selected offenders for work crew assistance to perform natural resource and recreation maintenance on Corps of Engineers lands at Bonneville Lock and Dam.
6. Contract with Robert Hagan to provide martial arts fitness program.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending March 3, 2014 in the total amount of \$85,134.32.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings which included Commissioner Brong's meeting with the Gifford Pinchot Accountability Group and the Forest Service, and Commissioner Anderson's discussion with Senator King regarding encumbered lands revenue.

The meeting recessed at 9:42 a.m. and reconvened at 10:00 a.m., with Commissioners Brong and McKenzie present and Commissioner Anderson present by phone.

The Board was in agreement to send a letter to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service supporting the proposed rule to delist the gray wolf from the Endangered and Threatened Wildlife list.

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, Solid Waste, and Community Development.

A presentation was given by Regional Transportation Council representatives Matt Ransom, Executive Director and Dale Robbins, Senior Staff on RTC's mission, purpose, and duties, agency structure, priority projects, past projects and funding need for projects.

The meeting recessed at 10:59 a.m. and reconvened at 11:35 a.m., with Commissioners Brong and McKenzie present and Commissioner Anderson present by phone.

The Board met with the Prosecutor in executive session regarding potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(i) from 11:35 a.m. until 12:28 p.m., with no action taken.

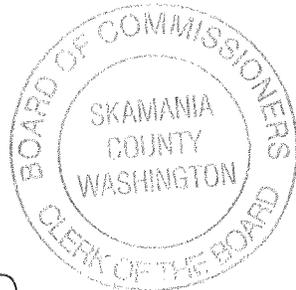
The meeting recessed at 12:38 p.m. and reconvened at 9:30 a.m., on March 6, 2014 with Commissioners Brong and Anderson present by phone.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Brong and motion carried to approve payroll for the period ending February 28, 2014 in the total amount of \$885,407.37.

The Board discussed utility issues at Wind River Business Park, with no action taken.

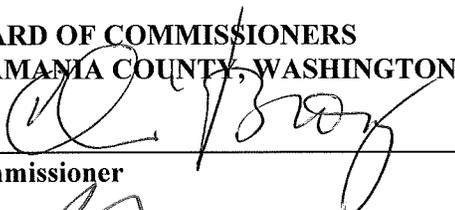
The meeting adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

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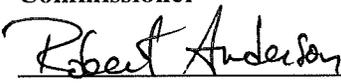


  
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