

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of May 13, 2014

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on May 13, 2014 for a staff meeting at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Christopher Brong, Chair, Doug McKenzie and Robert Anderson present. Discussion included a letter to Department of Commerce supporting the City of North Bonneville's effort to procure a CDBG grant for new lift stations, a supplemental budget request from the Sheriff, CDBG on-site monitoring and closeout public hearing, vouchers, and an update on the draft annual report, with no action taken. The Board discussed the process of holding over the Sheriff's supplemental budget request at the request of one Commissioner and agreed that it should have been a Board decision. The Board agreed that in the future decisions should be made by the entire Board.

The meeting recessed at 9:15 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. May 13, 2014 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Christopher Brong, Chair, Doug McKenzie and Robert Anderson present, opening with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Bob Talent advised of his concerns with fire danger in the County and fire in campgrounds, and urged the Board to develop a plan for potential massive fire and additional signage.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve a proclamation declaring May 11-17, 2014 as National Police Week and to observe May 15, 2014 as Peace Officers Memorial Day. The Sheriff advised of a flag ceremony scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on May 15, 2014 on the Courthouse lawn and a memorial ceremony at 11:00 a.m. on May 15, 2014 at Fireman's Park in White Salmon in which names will be read of all fallen law enforcement officers from the Columbia River Gorge Region.

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

1. Minutes of May 6, 2014.
2. Authorization to purchase a filing cabinet for implementation of Community Health food program.
3. Agreement with Department of Enterprise Services (DES) establishing terms and conditions for purchases, goods, and services, for direct use by the Sheriff's Office, under contracts entered into by DES that permit such use.
4. Contract with Wallis Engineering, amendment #1 to increase the payment for services and amend the Scope of Work to include engineering services on Wind River Road, CRP 2012-002 project.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to award the bid for an Aerial Lift to Versalift Northwest L.L.C.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending May 12, 2014 in the total amount of \$166,058.76.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve a letter to the Department of Commerce supporting the City of North Bonneville's effort to procure a Community Development Block Grant to help defray costs associated with rebuilding or replacing three of the City's aging lift stations.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings. Commissioner Brong advised of attending a Southwest Behavioral Health Governing Board meeting and a Washington State Association

of Counties Timber Counties meeting in Chelan, which included discussions regarding the Secure Rural Schools and Payment In Lieu of Taxes. Commissioner Anderson advised of meeting with Congresswoman Jamie Herrera-Beutler's aides to discuss legislation, community forests, and forest management, participating in a Region IV Multiagency Coordination Group mock emergency situation, and attending a Chamber of Commerce meeting. Commissioner McKenzie advised of participating in union negotiations, support issues, Regional Transportation Council meeting, Washington State Association of Counties Legislative Steering Committee and Timber Counties meetings and reported on an American Lands Council presentation.

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, events and 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.

The Board participated in a workshop with the Assessor to discuss Senate Bill 6180 consolidating designated forest lands and open space timber lands, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 10:37 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board participated in a workshop with the Sheriff to discuss 2013 Title III funds and contracts. Discussion included a draft resolution to extend contracts with Underwood Conservation District and North Country Emergency Medical Services to June 30, 2014 and allocate additional funding to NCEMS to allow for continuity in the delivery of services due to the delay in allocation of the Secure Rural Schools funding, causing a delay in submission and award of 2014 Title III projects.

The meeting recessed at 10:52 a.m. and reconvened at 1:53 p.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board discussed a request from the Assessor to approve a personal services contract, with the Board in agreement to grant approval on next week's agenda. The Board also discussed Senate Bill 6180, with Commissioner Anderson advising he would meet with the Prosecutor to discuss the Bill.

The meeting recessed at 1:57 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board participated in a workshop with the Financial Management Administrator to discuss proposed changes to the voucher process utilizing entry of invoices into the Eden System, which would simplify the processing and payment of invoices and reduce paper. The Board requested to schedule a workshop with Elected Officials and Department Heads regarding the new voucher process, training, and implementation. The workshop was scheduled for 1:30 p.m. on June 3, 2014.

The meeting recessed at 3:10 p.m. and reconvened at 5:30 p.m., with Commissioners McKenzie and Anderson present.

A public hearing was held to consider Resolution 2014-28 Supplemental Budget #2 for 2014. There was no public present. Sheriff Brown advised that he submitted a supplemental budget request and questioned the process of holding over his request by only one Commissioner. The Board advised that this issue was discussed during staff meeting this morning and that in the future decisions would be made by the entire Board. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried to approve Resolution 2014-28.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

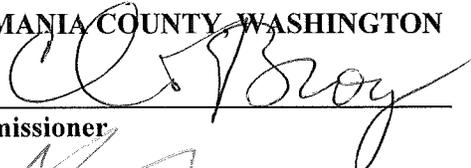
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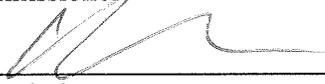


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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



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Abstain _____
Absent _____