

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting of January 28, 2014**

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on January 28, 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 debit card issued to Emergency Medical Services, WSAC Webinar regarding DNR Community Forest Trust Program, marijuana license application, January payroll approval, delay of SRS funding, medical leave for Commissioner Anderson, and advertisement of the proposed Financial Management Administrator position. Commissioner Brong advised that any further discussion by anyone who wishes to give public comments in public session that either directly or indirectly implies the past or current performance of any county employee will be considered "out of order".

The meeting recessed at 9:13 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:13 a.m. January 28, 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.

Rick Jessel gave an overview of his letter of January 27, 2014 suggesting an alternative to the Financial Management office plan.

Ole Helgerson provided suggestions for financial management for the County.

Mary Repar advised of the need for a job description for the proposed Financial Management Administrator position.

Sharon Vance advised of her concern with the proposal for a Financial Management office and creating a new position when departments were requested to reduce their budgets.

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

1. Minutes of January 22, 2014.
2. Liquor license renewal for Bungalow Bar & Grill.
3. Authorization to purchase a two-cubic yard self-dumping hopper to replace a current garbage box to allow the Solid Waste Division to haul garbage to the transfer station.
4. Grant application to Department of Transportation for funding to refurbish a 2006 Ford Allstar backup transit bus.
5. Agreement with Lance Fitzjarrald for representation of indigent persons entitled to representation in District Court at public expense.
6. Contract with Addy Lab to provide water testing services related to wells and public water systems.
7. Contract with Brian Bea to provide medical services for inmates in Skamania County Jail.
8. Contract with Department of Social & Health Services, Division of Behavioral Health & Recovery, amendment #7 to correct errors or inconsistent language that was included in the original contract for providing funding for chemical dependency services.
9. Contract with Les Hastings to develop and instruct tennis and pickle ball programs for youth and adult participation for General Services' recreation programming.

10. Contract with Skamania County Economic Development Council to provide business recruitment and retention and community development activities in Skamania County.
11. Contract with Wilcox and Flegel Oil Company to provide card-lock systems, including billing, and maintenance for the fueling sites at Underwood, Stevenson and Prindle Shops.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve a request from Public Works to hire an on-call employee part-time for the Solid Waste Division during the absence of an employee.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve a pre-hire request from Community Health to replace a vacant Accounting Tech position.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve Ordinance 2014-02 amending Skamania County Code Title 21 – Zoning, amending Chapter 21.08 Definitions, amending Chapter 21.16 Administration, amending Chapter 21.20 Non-Conformities, and amending Section 21.65.090 Carson Commercial Zoning District, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending January 27, 2014 in the total amount of \$96,923.22.

Sally Mansur, WSU Extension Agent staff reported on administration, 4-H, natural resources, small farms and home gardening.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings which included One Prevention Alliance with the Undersheriff, Legislative Steering Committee, a presentation to the Forest Service on practical solutions to the County's financial issue, and the Community Foundation, with no action taken.

Department Heads presented the following reports:

- Karen Witherspoon, Community Development Director reported on general administration.
- 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.

Safety Committee representatives presented the Safety Committee report.

- Report #2013-04. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.
- Report #2013-E-04. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 a.m.

**ATTEST:**



*Pamela Johnson*   
**Clerk of the Board**

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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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**Commissioner**

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**Commissioner**

Aye   2    
Nay         
Abstain         
Absent   1