

**BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**  
**Meeting of July 22, 2014**

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on July 22, 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 the Financial Management report, workshop request from the Sheriff's Office to establish a search and rescue fund, an inquiry to video tape public meetings, and appointment to the Columbia Gorge Housing Authority, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 9:09 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. July 22, 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.

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

1. Minutes of July 15, 2014.
2. Liquor license renewal for Gorge Crest Winery.
3. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM August 12, 2014 to consider Supplemental Budget #3 for 2014.
4. Set a public hearing for 5:30 PM August 12, 2014 to consider Ordinance 2014-03 to consider amendments to Skamania County Code Chapter 2.80 Hearing Examiner.
5. Resolution 2014-56 Support of the Washington State Association of Counties Fiscal Sustainability Initiative.
6. Resolution 2014-57 Partially Repay Current Expense Loans.
7. Contract with Educational Services District 112 to provide developmental disabilities services for Skamania County birth to age three eligible participants.
8. Contract with Northern Oregon Corrections to provide a secure detention facility to house juvenile offenders from Skamania County.
9. Contract with Gifford Pinchot National Forest, amendment #2 to provide funding for a correction work crew to work on Federal lands.
10. Grant application for Washington Federal Lands Access Program for signage to enhance the seasonal transit program.

Commissioner McKenzie moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending July 21, 2014 in the total amount of \$179,049.70.

Todd Murray, WSU Extension Agent reported on administration, 4-H, economic and community development, natural resource, small farms and home gardening.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings. Commissioner Anderson reported on an Economic Development Council meeting, a constituent business opportunity and zoning issue, Forest Youth Success, and a meeting with the Port regarding Wind River Business Park. Commissioner McKenzie reported on a Law and Justice meeting and business as usual. Commissioner Brong reported on a Council of Governments Board meeting for the Area Agency on Aging and Disabilities of Southwest Washington, a Legislative Steering Committee conference call regarding adoption of final recommendations to present to the Legislative Adult Behavioral Health System Task Force, and a meeting with the Chamber Director and Burlington Northern Santa Fe Foreman regarding brush and tree removal in the vicinity of the interpretive plaques at the Bridge of the Gods viewing area.

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, and Solid Waste.

The Board participated in a workshop with Public Works to discuss a road vacation request. Tim Homann, County Engineer gave a status report on the request from Alan Henning asking for consideration to vacate a portion of the Washougal River Road right-of-way. The Engineer made no recommendation at this time pending resolution of ownership issues.

A representative of the Safety Committee presented the Safety Committee report. Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to agree with the Safety Committee's findings and recommendations for Reports #2104-E-05 and #2014-E-06.

The meeting recessed at 10:25 a.m. and reconvened at 11:00 a.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board accepted public comment from Alan Henning regarding his request to vacate a portion of the Washougal River Road right-of-way.

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with Public Works/Community Development and the Prosecutor, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 11:57 a.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to reappoint Julie DeSmith to serve on the Columbia Gorge Housing Authority Board representing the public for a three-year term ending July 19, 2017.

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with the Clerk, Assessor, and Treasurer, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:06 p.m. and reconvened at 2:30 p.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with Noxious Weed Control and WSU Extension, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 2:51 p.m.

The meeting reconvened at 9:30 a.m. on July 23, 2014 at the Commissioner's Meeting Room, 240 NW Vancouver Avenue in Stevenson, with Commissioners Christopher Brong, Chair, Doug McKenzie and Robert Anderson present.

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with the Sheriff, with no action taken.

The meeting recessed at 10:38 a.m. and reconvened at 10:45 a.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with Community Health, Auditor, and Commissioners Financial Management Staff, with no action taken.


The Board met in executive session from 11:55 a.m. until 12:12 p.m. regarding personnel, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(f), with no action taken.

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

The Board participated in Mid-Year Budget Reviews with District Court and the Juvenile Department, with no action taken.

The meeting adjourned at 1:34 p.m.

**ATTEST:**

  
Pamela Johnson  
Clerk of the Board

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Robert Anderson  
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Nay \_\_\_\_\_  
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Absent 1