

BOARD OF SKAMANIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of October 7, 2014

The Board met at 9:00 a.m. on October 7, 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 scheduling, 2015 budget, Mid Columbia Housing Authority request for funds from the Skamania County Homeless Housing fund, State Forest Board Revenues. The Board agreed to send a letter to Joel Madsen of Mid Columbia Housing Authority committing funds from the Homeless Housing fund to Columbia Gorge Housing Authority in the amount of \$30,000 which is intended to leverage federal resources for permanent supportive housing. Columbia Gorge Housing Authority intends to apply for the Balance of State Continuum of Care Bonus Funds –Permanent Supportive Housing projects serving chronically homeless persons.

The meeting recessed at 9:24 a.m.

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m. October 7, 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 lead by former County Commissioner Paul Pearce at the request of Chairman Brong.

Mary Repar advised of the Stevenson Grange #121 community resiliency programs, advised of her concern regarding old logs rotting and falling apart at the Rock Creek Pond, and the need for reseeded the Rock Creek Park and Fairgrounds.

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

1. Minutes of September 30, 2014.
2. Notice of liquor license application for Pats Time located at 812 Wind River Road.
3. Liquor license renewals for Barnstormer Brewing and Washougal River Mercantile.
4. Resolution 2014-69 Declaring an emergency in Skamania County due to unhealthy national forest conditions, yearly threat of catastrophic fires, and minimal county government, schools and emergency services.
5. Agreement with NorthShore Medical Group to provide physical examinations on new hire employees.
6. Contract with Bob Sady Painting, Inc to prepare and repaint the exterior of the Courthouse and adjacent Sheriff's Office building.
7. Contract with Christopher Lanz to provide legal services in support of Skamania County CASA Program in dependency cases and related activities.
8. Contract with Columbia Pacific Construction to provide snow plowing service for Forest Service 90 and 25 Roads.
9. Contract with Department of Social and Health Services to provide Partnerships for Success funding for substance abuse prevention programs and services.
10. Contract with Lisa Roth to provide mental health crisis/on call services.
11. Contract with ProtoCall Services, Inc, amendment #1 to revise the fee schedule for providing mental health crisis call screening when Community Health office is closed.
12. Contract with Washington State Department of Transportation to provide capital funding assistance to rebuild a reserve transit bus to provide access to recreational sites along the Columbia River Gorge.

13. Memorandum of Understanding with OPEIU Local 11 to extend the 4-10 hour work days for two Senior Services employees through December 31, 2014.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve payroll for the period ending September 30, 2014 in the total amount of \$897,232.55.

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner McKenzie and motion carried unanimously to approve vouchers for the period ending October 6, 2014, in the total amount of \$151,841.17.

The Board gave updates on their attendance at various meetings. Commissioner Anderson reviewed Preliminary Budget Workshops. Commissioner McKenzie reported on meeting with Undersheriff Cox, Nursery Development from meeting with Port Director, and day to day operations. Commissioner Brong discussed Preliminary Budget deadlines, Special Revenue funds and reconciling budget short falls. He also reported the need to have the Preliminary budget finalized by the end of October. Commissioner Brong also updated the Board on Southwest Behavioral Health.

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

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 workshop was held with General Services Director, Scott Pineo and Public Works Director, Larry Douglass regarding facilities and maintenance. Reports were given by both Directors regarding the move of facilities and maintenance under the leadership of the Public Works Director. No action was taken.

The meeting recessed at 10:49 a.m. and reconvened at 11:01 a.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

Keith Chamberlain, Chair of the Columbia River Gorge Commission reported on December elections, resignation of Chair and Vice- Chair, consultant team working on urban boundary plan, how Bi-State Commission functions, Gorge Commission budget and personnel issues, meeting with railroads, Government to Government Meeting with the Tribes in Pendleton.

The meeting recessed at 11:32 a.m. and reconvened at 1:32 p.m., with Commissioners Brong, McKenzie and Anderson present.

Updates were presented from Lynn Burditt, Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Manager and Darren Nichols, Columbia River Gorge Commission Director. Lynn Burditt gave updates on active wildfire season, Forest Service FY 2015 budget, Freeze the Footprint program, Forest Service land transfers and historical buildings, end of season Forest Service activity. Darren Nichols reported on budget, resignations, request for additional personnel, coal and oil trains.

The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

ATTEST:



Samela Johnson
Clerk of the Board

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SKAMANIA COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Commissioner

Robert Anderson
Commissioner

Aye 3
Nay _____
Abstain _____
Absent _____