MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE COLUMIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

September 17, 2014

The regular meeting of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held on September 17, 2014, with Chairman Michael A. Talbott, Commissioner Charles G. Reeves, Commissioner Dwight L. Robanske, and Clerk of the Board Leanne Peters Present.

9:50 am **Columbia County Prosecutor Rea Culwell**

A discussion was held regarding the purchase of case tracking software for the Prosecutor's office. Rea has budgeted the amount for purchase.

10:03 am **Columbia County Public Works**

Drew Woods was present.

10:03 am An executive session was held for 20 minutes with Drew Woods and Rocky Miller to discuss union negotiations pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b). The session closed at 10:24 am; no action was taken, direction was given.

A discussion was held regarding the pros and cons of county owned cell phones. Prosecutor Rea Culwell will look into the matter further.

Lisa Ronnberg reviewed the 2015 medical benefits information and requested the Board make a motion to adopt 2015 plans.

Commissioner Reeves moved to adopt the same WCIF plan options that were used for 2014, to continue through 2015. The motion unanimously carried.

A discussion was held regarding the WCIF Live Well Incentive Program. Lisa requested the Board authorize the plan, as well as 2 hours of paid leave to allow for the wellness exam.

Commissioner Reeves moved to authorize to go forward with the same incentive plan as last year, 2 hours paid for wellness exam and a $100 gift card. The motion unanimously carried.

A discussion was held regarding the compost green waste tipping fee. Drew was instructed to get the tipping fee to the same as previous years.

11:00 am Public Hearing: Budget Amendments

A public hearing was held to hear comments on proposed amendments to the 2014 budget. A list of those present is attached. Auditor Sharon Richter reviewed the proposed amendments to the budget and comments were taken. Commissioners Reeves asked that the portion dealing with DD services be postponed to the next meeting for clarification. The hearing closed at 11:09 am.

Commissioner Reeves moved to approve Resolution 2014-18 in the matter of amendments to the 2014 budget. The motion unanimously carried.

11:13 am **Columbia County Public Works**

A discussion was held regarding parks and recreation. No action was taken.

11:30 am **Sherri Huwe**

A list of those present is attached. A lengthy discussion was held regarding DD services and an upcoming site review.

12:16 pm **Break for Lunch**

1:15 pm **Columbia County Superior Court Clerk Lynne Leseman, and Deputy Clerk Sue Marinella**

Lynne informed the Board that she has hired Sara Boudrieau as the new scanning clerk. She has started her wage at step 1 with an increase to step 2 after successful completion of probation.

1:28 pm **LeAnn Literal and George Barton**

A discussion was held regarding the proposed Indian Relay Races event to be held in Dayton. No action was taken.

1:42 pm **Miscellaneous**

Commissioner Robanske moved to authorize the Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Positions to receive a cell phone stipend of $40.00 per month. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Robanske moved to approve the warrants for August 2014, #143240-143677, total amount $1,293,953.48. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Reeves moved to hire Ann Higgins as the Fair Board Secretary. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Reeves moved to approve the meeting minutes for September 3rd as amended. The motion unanimously carried.

2:00 pm **Tim Dyke – Columbia County I.T. Department**

Tim presented a proposed password policy for adoption.

Commissioner Robanske moved to adopt the Columbia County Password Policy for the Employee Handbook. The motion unanimously carried.

2:19 pm **Columbia County Public Works**

Drew presented new compost green waste tipping fees according to the Boards previous request.

Commissioner Robanske moved to approve the Green Waste Tipping Fees as presented. The motion unanimously carried.

2:27 pm Howard Ostby and Barbara Gibson – Senior Center

Howard informed the Board that Barbara has been hired as the new outreach coordinator. A discussion was held regarding the senior center. Howard stated that additional money has been received and they will be able to increase the number of meals provided at the senior center. They will also provide travel vouchers for those who are unable to drive to the senior center for meals, and they plan on providing lunch vouchers from the Country Cupboard Bakery for those who are unable to make the senior center meal times.

2:49 pm Paul Carter - Columbia County Extension

Paul presented updates on the activities at the extension office.

3:12 pm Columbia County Planning and Building

Kim Lyonnais and Melissa Shumake were present. Kim updated the Board on the current status of the Shorelines Project.

A discussion was held regarding a proposed large housing development in Columbia County. The development is in the very early stages of planning.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly declared adjourned at 3:38 pm.

Submitted by: _____

Leanne J. Peters
Clerk of the Board

Approved:

Michael A. Talbott, Chairman

Dwight L. Robanske, Commissioner

Charles G. Reeves, Commissioner

Columbia County Commissioners

Meeting Sign-In Sheet

Meeting Date: 9/17/14 | **Place/Room:** Commissioners

Please Print Name:	Time:
1 Linda Miller	10:00 AM
2 Merle Jackson	9:30 AM
3 Paul Carter	10:00 AM
4 Rachel Alexander	10 AM
5 Dwight Richter	9:00
6 Elena Riggs	11:30
7 Heather Linn	11:30
8 Dawn Rodrigue	11:30 am
9 Maureen S. Walsh	11:30 AM
10 Melinda Lamert	11:30 AM
11 Ron Hume	11:30 AM
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