



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

September 20, 2021

9:00 AM - CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The regular meeting of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held on September 20, 2021, with Commissioner Charles L. Amerein (on Zoom), Commissioner Marty J. Hall, and Clerk of the Board Virginia Schmidt present. Chairman Ryan R. Rundell was absent from 9 am til 9:15 am. List of attendees is attached.

9:00 AM - DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

A department head meeting was held to discuss activities of the county departments; several department heads were unavailable; no action was taken.

10:00 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

Amber Phinney and Wayne Tate were present. Public Works Director Chuck Eaton was absent.

A public hearing was held at 10:00 am to discuss the proposed amendments to the 2021-2026 Transportation Improvement Plan. A list of those present is attached. The proposed amendments were reviewed and time for public comment was allowed but no public comment was taken. The hearing closed at 10:02 am.

Commissioner Hall moved to adopt Resolution 2021-43 Amending the 2021-2026 6 year Transportation Improvement Plan. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Hall moved to adopt Resolution 2021-44 Authorizing the South Touchet Bridge Restoration Project with the Department of Transportation. The motion unanimously carried.

Wayne Tate gave brief updates regarding the county road department.

10:30 AM - PLANNING AND BUILDING

Planning Director Dena Martin was present and updated the Board on the Kottkamp Professional Services Agreement contract and the need for an addendum.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the contract addendum between the Planning Department and the Kottkamp professional services agreement. The motion unanimously carried.



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Dena also gave updates to the Shoreline Master Program, and reviewed the ecology grant funding letter.

11:00 AM - EXECUTIVE SESSION: LITIGATION RCW 42.30.110(1)(I)

An executive session was held for 15 minutes to discuss litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The session closed at 11:15 am; action was taken.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve to take \$4000 out of the Commissioners' budget, miscellaneous line, to pay the \$4000 to avoid litigation; for the Deputy's settlement for PFMLA. The motion was withdrawn and the matter was tabled until October 4th to allow more time to get details on the payment arrangements.

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the meeting minutes for Sept 7 and 13, 2021. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the August warrants #29916-30251 in the amount of \$1,275,053.85. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Amerein moved to approve Joe Huether for the ACAC application for the advisory committee position. The motion unanimously carried.

A brief discussion was held regarding the marijuana license application. The Board would like more information from the Planning Department before making a decision.

The Board held a discussion regarding a letter to the Governor of Washington State concerning the mandates placed upon Washington Counties. Comments from Dr. Jason Utt were heard.

Commissioner Hall moved to sign the letter dated September 10th, 2021 addressed to Governor Inslee for electronic delivery. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve to initiate the process of changing the work session meetings from 2nd and 4th Mondays of every month to the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of every month beginning October 12th. The motion unanimously carried.



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The Blue Mountain Heritage Society requested to hold a yard sale at the Seneca storage dorms on October 2 and the Board approved.

Commissioner Hall moved to set a public Hearing for October 4th at 10:00 am for budget amendments. The motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly declared adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Submitted by: Virginia Schmidt
Virginia Schmidt
Clerk of the Board

Approved:

Ryan R. Rundell
Ryan R. Rundell, Chairman

Absent
Charles L. Amerein, Commissioner

Marty J. Hall
Marty J. Hall, Commissioner

COLUMBIA COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

MEETING SIGN-IN SHEET

Meeting Date: 9-20-21

Place/Room:

Please Print Name:	Time:
1 Marty Hall + VS + BC	9:00 am
2 Chuck Amerein (zoom ^{on})	
3 Ryan Rundell - Absent til 9:15 am	
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5 Carey Honeycutt	
6 Dena Martin	
7 Carla Rowe	
8 Joe Helm	
9 Felice Wiens (z)	
10 Chris Mills (z)	
11 Michelle Smith (z)	
12 Tim Dyke (z)	
13 Norrie Gregoire (z)	
14 Chronicle (z)	
15 Dale Slack (zoom)	
16 Naedene Shearer (z)	
17 Anne Higgins (z)	
18 Diane Dill (z)	9:25
19 David Ocampo (z)	" "
20 Chuck Ector (z)	" "

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Place/Room:

Please Print Name:	Time:
1 Daye Phinney Finney	9:50
2 Wayne Tate	10:00 am
3 Amber Phinney	10:00
4 Jason Uhl	11:20
5 Tara Hodges	11:45 am
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