



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

September 19, 2022

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

The regular meeting of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held on September 19, 2022, with Chairman Marty J. Hall, Commissioner Charles L. Amerein, Commissioner Ryan R. Rundell, and Clerk of the Board Virginia Schmidt present. List of attendees is attached.

9:01 AM - PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

No public comment was received.

9:10 AM - DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

A department head meeting was held to discuss activities of the county departments. Carla Rowe drafted a list of salaried employees and suggested the salary committee meet to create a salary policy in order to maintain consistency and equality in employee payroll increases and hiring steps. No action was taken.

9:45 AM - FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

Draft Resolution #2022-28 was presented for approval along with the Franchise Agreement with the Port of Columbia for county-wide right-of-way.

Commissioner Rundell moved to adopt Resolution #2022-28 in the matter of approving Franchise Agreement No. 2022-01 Between the County and the Port of Columbia. The motion unanimously carried.

10:00 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PLANNING AND BUILDING

County Planner Dena Martin presented Eslick Short Plat SP2022-02 for review and approval. The Board had no objections.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve Eslick Short Plat SP 2022-02 and authorized the chair to sign. The motion unanimously carried.

10:15 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY ASSESSOR

Chris Mills held a discussion regarding a draft payment proposal in the amount of \$15,000 from the Umatilla Tribe to contribute to certain county services. The Board would like more information to move forward.

10:30 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY LOCAL BOARD OF HEALTH



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The Board of County Commissioners recessed and the Board of Health convened at 10:30 am.

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Health are available upon request.

The Board of Health adjourned at 11:13 am and the Board of County Commissioners reconvened.

Katie Roughton announced Kristen Thorstenson as the new hire in the Public Health office as a Program Coordinator; hired at step 5. The Board approved the three new BOH members to have county emails.

11:15 AM - EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL RCW 42.30.110(1)(G)

An executive session was held for 45 minutes to review interview questions and conduct an interview for the Emergency Management Director position pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session closed at 12:00 pm; no direction was given; no action was taken.

12:00 PM - BREAK FOR LUNCH

1:30 PM - EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL RCW 42.30.110(1)(G)

An executive session was held for 45 minutes to conduct an interview for the Emergency Management Director position pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session closed at 2:15 pm; no direction was given; no action was taken.

MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Amerein moved to approve the meeting minutes for September 6 and 12, 2022. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve the August warrants #36000-36402 and direct deposits in the amount of \$1,375,634.41. The motion unanimously carried.

The Board agreed to sign the participation form for the opioid settlement and will submit the form prior to the deadline.

Credit card requests for Sarah Boudrieau in the amount of \$5000 and Blake Ahlers in the amount of \$1,000 were approved.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly



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declared adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Submitted by: Virginia Schmidt
Virginia Schmidt
Clerk of the Board

Approved:

Marty J. Hall
Marty J. Hall, Chairman

Charles L. Amerein
Charles L. Amerein, Commissioner

Ryan R. Rundell
Ryan R. Rundell, Commissioner

Columbia County Commissioners

Meeting Sign-In Sheet

Meeting Date: 9-19-22

Place/Room:

Please Print Name: All Comm's + VS		Time:
1, Dave Schreck		9:00 am
2 Laura Auckerman + Tony		
3 Jack Miller		
4 Chris Mills (E)		
5 Cathy Abel (2)		
6 Dayton Chronicle (2)		
7 Desi Lockard		
8 Melanie Mings (2)		
9 Adam Joe Helin		
10 Amber Phinney		
11 Katie Roughiton		
12 Carla Rowe		
13 Dena Martin		
14 Krissy Chapman		
15 Diane Dill (2)		
16 Jennie Dickinson		9:45
17 Tracy Clark		
18 Jeff McCowen		
19 Chuck Belamy		10:15
20 Debbie Davis		10:25

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Meeting Date:	Place/Room:
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Please Print Name:	Time:
1 Delphine Bailey (Z)	10:25
2 Nancy Laughery	
3 Kristen Thorntonson	11:30
4 Tina Bobbit	
5 Joe Helm	
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