



SCANNED

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

January 21, 2025

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

The regular meeting of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held on January 21, 2025, with Chairman Marty J. Hall, Commissioner Jack G. Miller, Commissioner Ryan R. Rundell, Clerk of the Board Virginia Schmidt and Deputy Clerk Ashley Kilts present. List of attendees is attached.

9:00 AM - PUBLIC COMMENT SESSION

Time was allowed for public comment. Members of the public were present to voice concerns regarding the Sheriff's Office.

9:10 AM - DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

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

9:50 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PLANNING AND BUILDING

Dena Martin was present to discuss the 2025-2027 FCAAP Grant application and the details of the County match.

The Board had no objections to Dena acting on behalf of the County for signature authorization for the Municipipay/Autoagent contract.

Dena gave updates from the Planning Commission regarding code updates and other departmental updates.

10:20 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS

Amber Phinney presented Resolution #2025-04 and discussed the need for a transfer from ER&R to Sheriff's ER&R.

Commissioner Rundell moved to adopt Resolution #2025-04 for a transfer of funds from fund 501 to 507 in the amount \$96,500. The motion unanimously carried.

10:30 AM - PORT OF COLUMBIA - JENNIE DICKINSON

Jennie Dickinson and Jill Essency were present to discuss broadband funding to provide broadband to rural areas of the county. Letters of support were drafted to ask for additional funding for the broadband projects. No funding from the county was requested.



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Jill Essency gave updates on various programs and activities of the Port and ADO funds.

Commissioner Miller moved to approve and sign the letter of support to WSAC for the BEAD application assistance grant. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve and sign the letter of support to WSBO for the BEAD application assistance grant. The motion unanimously carried.

11:00 AM - TOUCHET VALLEY GOLF AND RECREATION

Claudia Nysoe was present to request funds from the Hotel/Motel Fund to support advertising for the Touchet Valley Golf Course at the Spokane Golf Show.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve the request for Hotel/Motel tax revenue to Touchet Valley Golf and Recreation in the amount of \$2,000. The motion unanimously carried.

11:10 AM- COLUMBIA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES

Kristi Zinn presented and discussed a job description for a combined position of WSU Office manager-4-H office coordinator. No changes to the current descriptions were made and the Board directed Kristi to move forward with advertising.

At 11:25 am, an executive session was held for 30 minutes with Kristi Zinn to discuss personnel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session closed at 12:05 pm; direction was given, no action was taken.

12:00 PM - BREAK FOR LUNCH

1:15 PM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

At 1:15 pm, an executive session was held for 30 minutes with Dale Slack to discuss litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The session closed at 1:45 pm; no direction was given, no action was taken.

2:15 PM - EXECUTIVE SESSION: PERSONNEL RCW 42.30.110(1)(G)

At 1:50 pm, an executive session was held for 25 minutes with Kristi Zinn to discuss personnel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The session closed at 2:10 pm; no direction was given, no action was taken.



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MISCELLANEOUS

Commissioner Miller moved to approve the meeting minutes of January 6 and 13, 2025. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve the December 2024 warrants #46405-46808, excluding the districts, and direct deposits in the amount of \$1,713,763.81. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Miller moved to adopt Resolution #2025-03 appointing Maci Lindley as county coroner. The motion unanimously carried.

Commissioner Rundell moved to approve the WSAC annual dues in the amount of \$8,647.00. The motion unanimously carried.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly declared adjourned at 2:10 pm.

Submitted by: *Virginia Schmidt*
Virginia Schmidt
Clerk of the Board

Approved:

Marty J. Hall
Marty J. Hall, Chairman

Jack G. Miller
Jack G. Miller, Commissioner

Ryan R. Rundell
Ryan R. Rundell, Commissioner

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Columbia County Commissioners

Meeting Sign-In Sheet

Meeting Date: 1-21-25

Place/Room:

Please Print Name: All Comms + VS + Ak		Time: 9:00am
1	Angela Benavides	9 AM
2	Sohn Heiderstadt	8:56 AM
3	MARIELLE SHOWN	8:56 AM
4	Tyler Huff	
5	Kristi Zinn	
6	Will Hutchens	
7	Debbie Davis	
8	Mel Mings	
9	Dana Martin	
10	Nancy Bernstein	
11	Desi Lockard	
12	allstate Superior Court (2)	
13	Dale Slack (2)	
14	Tim Dyke (2)	
15	Broughton Land (2)	
16	Jennie Dickinson	
17	Jill Essency	
18	Carey Hargrett	
19	Claudia Nysse	
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