



MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION OF THE COLUMBIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 10, 2025

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

A work session of the Columbia County Board of Commissioners was held on March 10, 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 - COLUMBIA COUNTY ASSESSOR

Assessor Tammy Ketterman held a discussion regarding the levy process. Tammy answered questions and explained the process for property taxes, levies and taxing districts.

10:00 AM- COLUMBIA COUNTY HUMAN RESOURCES

HRCC presented the summary of the compensation study done for the county. The compensation committee will meet to wrap up the details of the study and will present it to the Commissioners at the next meeting.

10:45 AM - BLUE MOUNTAIN ARTISTS

Lorna Barth and Cathy Schochet were present to discuss the possibility of local artists displaying their artwork on the walls in the new county building. The Board had no objections to the proposal and will coordinate the process in mid-summer when all departments are moved in.

11:00 AM - RON AND STACY FORAKER

Members of the public were present to discuss concerns about the South Touchet River and the road. The County Engineer, Grant Morgan, was present to answer questions and address concerns. The county is in communication with the WDFW and the CTUIR to address river issues.

11:15 AM - COLUMBIA COUNTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

Dale Slack was present to discuss office staffing and the workload created by excessive amounts of public records requests.

At 11:40 am, an executive session was held for 12 minutes with Dale Slack to discuss litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The session closed at 11:50 am; no direction was given, no action was taken.



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MISCELLANEOUS

A brief discussion was held regarding insurance for the new county building and the contents when all departments are moved in. The Board directed Kristi to communicate with the insurance company to discuss options for policies.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was duly declared adjourned at 11:50 am.

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

SCANNED

Columbia County Commissioners

Meeting Sign-In Sheet

Meeting Date: 3-10-25

Place/Room: 9am 115 E. Main st. Dayton

Please Print Name: BOCC + VS + ALK		Time:
1 Dave Schreck		
2 Eric Bangle		
3 Tammy Ketterman		
4 Will Hutchens		
5 Carey Honeycutt		
6 Fred Clark		
7 Bob Hutchens		
8 Carla Rowe		
9 Kristi Zion		
10 Jan Strahlehn (2)		
11 Grant Morgan		
12 IPhone (2)		
13 Katie Bruch (2)		
14 Bret & Jude Strode		
15 Krissy Chapman (2)		
16 Desi Lockard (2)		
17 Nancy Berensken (2)		
18 Dena Martin (2)		
19 Cathy Schockert		
20 Lorna Barth		

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Please Print Name:	Time:
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2 For Foraker 509-727-3104	
3 Stacey Foraker rsyacre@gmail.com 509-382-3095	10:50
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