

MINUTES - TILLAMOOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, October 27, 1999

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COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Sue Cameron, Chairperson
Tim Josi, Vice Chairperson
Gina Firman, Commissioner

STAFF PRESENT:

William K. Sargent, County Counsel
Paul Levesque, Management Analyst

STAFF PRESENT FOR PORTIONS OF MEETING: Lt. Todd Anderson, Sheriff's Department;
and Janet Trueblood, Service Integration Coordinator;

GUEST: See attached guest list.

CALL TO ORDER: By Chair Cameron at 6:38 p.m. in Wheeler at the Masonic Hall.

Chair Cameron welcomed those present and talked about the Board's outreach meetings.

ITEM NO. 1: PUBLIC INPUT-NON AGENDA ITEMS: Jack Rosenlund asked about the road tax. Commissioner Josi and Lt. Todd Anderson explained what a county road was. Commissioner Josi explained about the three road districts and how the funds would be used.

Susie Godsey said the Community Health Council would be out in the community over the next month and welcomed community input.

Cliff Cunningham said he supported the measure and asked about the campaign which Commissioner Josi explained. Commissioner Firman explained the double majority. Chair Cameron felt it was important to let people make a choice. Commissioner Josi described the issues around taxing truckers and equivalent gas/vehicle registration fees in the Northwest.

Stevie Burden, Mayor of Wheeler, discussed how the money would be spent in Wheeler.

ITEM NO. 2: CONSENT CALENDAR:

Budget Committee Meeting Minutes for May 13, 1999.

Commissioner Josi moved that the Board sign the minutes, Commissioner Firman seconded, passed with three aye votes.

ITEM NO. 3: DISCUSSION CONCERNING INCARCERATION OF THE MENTALLY ILL IN THE JAIL:

Lt. Todd Anderson gave an overview of the problem in Tillamook County and the fact the County does not have 24 hour medical care in the jail. He also pointed out that over the last 6 to 8 months there had been an increase in need for the 24 hour care. Lt. Anderson stated that the County needed a long-term solution and that he had spoken with Tillamook Family Counseling Center about the problem. In some cases it has taken Tillamook Family Counseling Center a day to

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find a facility for such a person.

Commissioner Firman said that finding a bed in a treatment center was a problem all over the state and reviewed the statutes that applied to the issues. She felt a workgroup should be assembled. Chair Cameron felt a workshop should be set up. Suzanne Rathburn thought the hospital was going to provide a crisis room. Commissioner Firman said that Tillamook County General Hospital has a room but it is not being used in the manner the Board had contemplated. Lt. Anderson said the room was not state certified. He discussed other issues relative to the room. Bill Spidell talked about what they do in Portland and Sgt. McDade's willingness to do training in Tillamook County.

ITEM NO. 4: PRESENTATION OF COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY FOR SOCIAL SERVICE NEEDS IN TILLAMOOK COUNTY: Chair Cameron introduced Janet Trueblood, Service Integration Coordinator, who distributed a handout. She described the vision and responsibilities of Commission on Children and Families (CCF). She explained how the CCF focus had changed over time. She then described the planning process and asked for volunteers.

ITEM NO. 5: DISCUSSION CONCERNING PROPOSED LAND EXCHANGE FOR THE NEAH-KAH-NIE SCHOOL DISTRICT & THE NORTH COAST RECREATION DISTRICT AND CONSIDERATION OF LETTER TO SIMPSON TIMBER COMPANY: Mr. Levesque gave an overview of the proposed land exchange and the need. Mr. Lemery spoke of the Neah-Kah-Nie School Board's strong support for the project and the value of the Lake Lytle site to the District. Mr. Lemery said the school district could not give the Neah-Kah-Nie property to the recreation district.

Commissioner Josi moved that the Board sign the letter, Commissioner Firman seconded.

Commissioner Josi talked about implementation of the land exchange. Ms. Bush, School District #56 Superintendent, thank Mr. Levesque. Commissioner Firman said that it is what the government does best. Mr. Larson, vice chair of Neah-Kah-Nie School Board, thanked the Board and Mr. Levesque and discussed difficulties in equaling the property values.

The motion passed unanimously to sign the letter to Simpson Timber.

ITEM NO. 6: NON AGENDA ITEMS & BOARD CONCERNS: Chair Cameron reported on Performance Partnership's approval to transfer money for the Junior High's band trip to Washington, D.C. Commissioners Firman and Josi described the advanced measures for the Tillamook Bay.

Chair Cameron adjourned the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

RESPECTFULLY submitted this ____ day of _____, 1999.

County Clerk: Josephine Veltri

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Mary Wujcik, Recording Secretary
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APPROVED BY:

Chairperson

Vice Chairperson

Commissioner