

Columbia County Board of Commissioners
March 4, 2026, Board Meeting
Hybrid from the
John Gumm Building and Civic Center
St. Helens, OR. 97051.

Present: Commissioner Kellie Jo Smith, Commissioner Casey Garrett, Sarah Hanson, County Counsel, Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator. Commissioner Magruder is attending a Board of Forestry Meeting in Salem, Oregon.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Smith called this meeting to order at 10:00 am and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

Commissioner Garrett moved to approve the agenda as presented. Commissioner Smith seconded. The motion carried unanimously. **Vote:** KJS/CG all in favor. Approved.

VISITOR COMMENTS - 3 MINUTE LIMIT

No comment

PRESENTATION

1. Eva Manderson, Northwest Regional Child Care Resource & Referral, is here to update the Board regarding childcare in Columbia County.

ORDINANCE READING

1. First reading of Ordinance No. 2026-1, In the Matter of Amending the Columbia County Jail Operating Fund Advisory Committee Ordinance.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Smith read the consent agenda in full. Commissioner Garrett moved, and Commissioner Smith seconded to approve the consent agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Vote: KJS/CG in favor. Approved.

- A. Ratify Letter of Support for the City of Clatskanie's Request for \$5 million in Federal Funding to Complete Construction of a New Wastewater Treatment Plant.
- B. Ratify Letter of Support for Port of Columbia County FY 2026 BUILD Grant Application.
- C. Ratify Approval of OLCC Application No. 367724 for Multnomah Channel Yacht Club, Full On-Premises Sales, a Non-Profit Private Club.
- D. Approve the Board Meeting Minutes for January 28, 2026.
- E. Approve the Board Work Session Meeting Minutes for January 28, 2026.
- F. Approve Select to Pay for February 19, February 25, and February 26, 2026.
- G. Approve OLCC Temporary Use Application for the Watering Hole on March 21, 2026, 6-8 p.m. at 58892 Saulser Rd. St. Helens, OR, and Authorize the Chair to Sign.
- H. Approve Plat for Roads Being Dedicated to the Public, Huser Estates Subdivision in Scappoose, Oregon.
- I. Approve Plat for Additional Right of Way Being Dedicated to the Public, Brad Henderson Partition, in St. Helens, Oregon.

- J. Approve Use of Designated Vernonia Flood Donation Funds to Complete FEMA Property Transfers.

AGREEMENTS/CONTRACTS/AMENDMENTS

Commissioner Smith read the Agreements, Contracts, and Amendments in full. Commissioner Garrett moved, and Commissioner Smith seconded to approve the Agreements, Contracts, and Amendments as presented. **Vote:** KJS/CG in favor. Approved.

- A. Ratify C99-2025-3, Third Amendment to Columbia Co Interim Funding IGA.
- B. Ratify C15-2026, OJD Contract No. 250103-Space Programming IGA for the Columbia County Courthouse.
- C. Ratify C21-2026, Data Sharing Agreement for Vital Statistics with Cowlitz County Health & Human Services and Authorize Debbie Klug to sign.
- D. Approve C160-2025-5, Prime Contract Potential Change to Order # PCO09: 25G Demolition-Undo PCO-5 and Authorize the Chair to Sign.
- E. Approve C16-2026, Cooperative Assistance Agreement with Columbia Health Services and Authorize the Chair to Sign.
- F. Approve C18-2026, CalPortland Price Quotation for Furnishing Crushed Rock and Pit Run for Calendar Year 2026.
- G. Approve C19-2026, Columbia Northwest Recycling Price Quotation for Furnishing Crushed Rock and Pit Run for Calendar Year 2026.
- H. Approve C20-2026, Knife River Price Quotation for Furnishing Crushed Rock and Pit Run for Calendar Year 2026.
- I. Approve C24-2026, Information Sharing Agreement Between Columbia County and MiNet and Authorize the Chair to sign.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 1. Mike Russell, Public Works Director, is seeking approval of the 2026 Vernonia Marathon Road Event Permit. After discussion, Commissioner Garrett moved, and Commissioner Smith seconded to approve the 2026 Vernonia Marathon Road Event Permit and authorize the Public Works Director to sign. **Vote:** KJS/CG in favor. Approved.
- 2. The Board asked staff to place recurring road event permits on the consent agenda if no issues need to be discussed.

COMMISSIONER MAGRUDER COMMENTS

Not present

COMMISSIONER GARRETT COMMENTS

No comment

COMMISSIONER SMITH COMMENTS

Ginger Johnson has been with the Community Action Team for 40 years. Megga Egg Hunt needs volunteers. If you are available, contact Heather Epperly's office. The Columbia County Employee Events Committee is hosting a hygiene drive for the Juvenile Department in March; you can drop off items at the County Offices.

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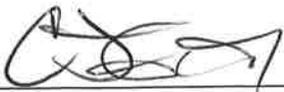
With nothing further to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 10:48 AM.

The recording of this meeting is posted at www.columbiacountyor.gov/meetings

The next regular scheduled meeting is on March 11, 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

By: 
Kellie Jo Smith, Chair

By: 
Casey Garrett, Commissioner

By: 
Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator

By: _____ Not Present _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner