

**BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS  
BOARD TIME  
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 20, 2017**

The Board convened in Conference Room 698, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Chair Marc Boldt, Councilor Julie Olson, Councilor John Blom and Councilor Eileen Quiring present. Councilor Jeanne Stewart was absent.

**1:30 P.M.**

**Old Business**

**Approval of minutes for December 13, 2017**

**ACTION:** Moved by Olson to **APPROVE** the minutes for December 13, 2017. Councilor Blom seconded the motion. Chair Boldt and Councilors Olson, Blom and Quiring voted aye. Motion carried.

**County Manager Interview Schedule**

Jim Rumpeltes put together an outline as well as final interview format. This is for the council to review and determine if the schedule works for them.

**New Business**

**Freight Dependent Uses**

Same topic as 5517.

**5517 Policy Language**

Oliver provided 7 copies. Looking for an amendment to policy 3.9.3 – the hope is to address the council’s concerns and determine if this amendment is appropriate. It is a little different from what the planning commission recommended. The highlighted yellow is an addition, and the red text is a language change. Community planning recommended adding “Freight rail dependent uses means buildings and other infrastructure that are used in the fabrication, processing, storage, and transport of goods where the use is dependent on and makes use of an adjacent short line railroad. Such facilities are both urban and rural development. Christine Cook stated that she thought the following text should be added: “County may include development of freight rail dependent uses on land adjacent to a short line railroad in the transportation element of this plan. The [county may] also...” Councilor Olson agreed with the addition of the red text. Not asking to make a decision today. Councilor Olson recommended a subsidy change, but Christine stated that language was already explained in 3.9.1. This change will be published and sent out to the public. This will be discussed further and potentially voted on January 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Councilors Report**

Councilor Boldt requested to start on a work session for the vacant buildable lands inventory, which will include Oliver’s shop, realtors, Jamie with BIA, and GIS about the lots available. Olson asked if this was part of a larger discussion – Boldt said it will start the GMA process sooner. The main concern is how many lots are being used versus how many are available. This does not take into consideration population growth, this is just a snapshot. Chris Horne stated this analysis is expected to happen every seven years and mainly in the urban areas – less so in the rural areas. It’s an attempt to get an idea of how much land is able to be developed. Oliver added that information is provided annually from the assessor’s office, and in coordination with

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GIS this report gets pulled yearly. Oliver asked that we coordinate with the new guidelines, whenever they are provided. December 2019 is when the new guidelines are expected to be published.

Councilor Quiring has been going to advisory committee for value pricing, they came up with a charter of what they will look at but they don't have another meeting until late February or April. One thing they have asked for is to get some public input. Quiring asked about getting input from the public here. Oregon will have some public meetings – will welcome people from Clark County when meetings are held. Boldt asked if there was a time during a hearing where we could open this up to the public – Olson recommended that we do, but after Quiring's next meeting. Blom recommended any revenue raised will need to be tied to the corridor on which it's raised. There needs to be legal authorization they get that there is inclusion that the funds are used within a certain mileage. Quiring would also like to see some mitigation. There is discussion about adding an HOV lane to 205.

**Staff Reports**

Jim Rumpeltes reminded the council about the annexation discussion – follow up information is just about done. He will bring it back in January. He also reminded councilors regarding the extra invitations for the event in January. Jim Rumpeltes will be out from Friday, 12/22 through 1/4/18.

Lindsay Shafer is starting on 1/4/18 and walked through her timeline of the first day, week and month on the job. Quiring recommended Lindsay log the amount of time she spends with each councilor.

Jim Rumpeltes will be interviewing two IT Director candidates on 12/21/17.

**Work Session Request: Code Amendment to Title 40.240 Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area Districts**

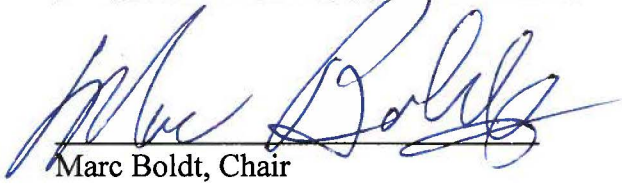
Oliver requested a work session regarding the gorge commission. There is a little code change – waiting to get back from Skamania and Klickitat County to see if they approve.

***The Board adjourned Board Time at 2:00pm for one executive session with no action on potential litigation for approximately 30 minutes.***

***Board Time adjourned at 2:30pm.***

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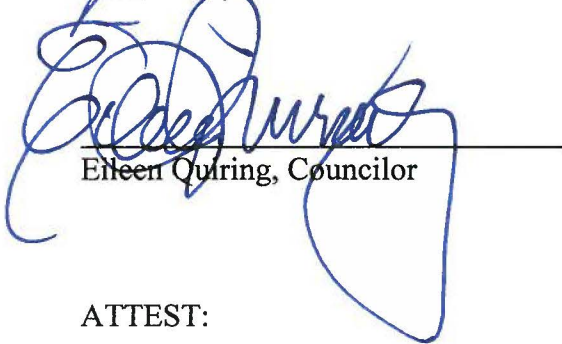
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Marc Boldt, Chair

 absent  
Jeanne E. Stewart, Councilor

  
Julie Olson, Councilor

  
John Blom, Councilor

  
Eileen Quiring, Councilor



ATTEST:

  
Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Council

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