

**BOARD OF COUNTY COUNCILORS
BOARD TIME
MINUTES OF JANUARY 6, 2016**

The Board convened in the Councilors' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Chair Marc Boldt, Councilor Jeanne E. Stewart, Councilor Julie Olson, Councilor David Madore, and Councilor Tom Mielke present.

1:30 P.M.

Approval of minutes for December 9, 2015 and December 16, 2015

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **APPROVE** the minutes for December 9, 2015 and December 16, 2015. Stewart seconded the motion. Councilors Stewart, Madore and Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

2016 M1 Salary range adjustment of 2.2% (continuation from 1/5/16 Board Hearing)

Francine Reis, Human Resources Director presented. Further discussion ensued. Madore inquired who put the item on the agenda. Mark McCauley, County Manager responded. Stewart addressed Mielke's concerns in previous Board time discussion. Further discussion ensued. Olson inquired about the range difference between M1 and M2's. Reis responded. Chris Horne, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, joined the discussion and spoke about salaries. Madore spoke about previous Board actions. Madore inquired about McCauley's salary. McCauley responded. Further discussion ensued about the request. Stewart spoke about the November 4, 2015 Board's action and stated she was fine with the M1 being at 1.4% range for one year. Olson stated she agreed with Stewart and spoke about being consistent in future salary adjustments. Madore stated his appreciation for the employees.

Board assignments for C-Tran and RTC

Boldt stated it was typical the Chair of the Council to sit on the C-Tran Board and RTC. Stewart provided some background. Stewart disclosed her opposition to bus rapid transit but stated she would be willing to serve.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **NOMINATE** Jeanne E. Stewart as the second seat on the C-Tran Board. Mielke seconded the motion. Chair Marc Boldt and Councilors Stewart, Olson, Madore, Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **NOMINATE** Julie Olson as the alternate on the C-Tran Board. Mielke seconded the motion. Chair Marc Boldt and Councilors Stewart, Olson, Madore, Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

McCauley spoke about RTC's bylaws and confirmed it was three seats not the entire legislative body.

Councilor Reports

Olson spoke about the recently repealed resolutions and inquired about the process moving forward. Stewart stated she would like more information on the items. Further discussion ensued. Stewart stated she would like to bring the item back at another time. Olson inquired about getting the work sessions on the calendar. Further discussion ensued. Stewart spoke about costs associated with the repealed resolutions.

Stewart spoke about the positive outlook of the New Year.

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Continued discussion regarding Board assignments for RTC

Horne read the RTC Bylaws and stated it appears there are limited seats. He stated he would look into the original inter-local agreement and follow up with the Board via email. Madore inquired about the recent increased membership dues. Stewart stated her concerns and spoke about the subcommittee on the new charge. Further discussion ensued about RTC. McCauley joined the discussion. Mielke spoke further more about increased membership dues and less representation on both C-Tran and RTC. Further discussion ensued. Stewart stated she would follow up with the documentation. Horne spoke further about RTC's composition.

ACTION: Moved by Olson to **NOMINATE** Jeanne E. Stewart as the second seat on RTC. Madore seconded the motion. Chair Marc Boldt and Councilors Stewart, Olson, Madore, Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **NOMINATE** Julie Olson as the third seat on RTC. Stewart seconded the motion. Chair Marc Boldt and Councilors Stewart, Olson, Madore, Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

ACTION: Moved by Olson to **NOMINATE** David Madore as the alternate on RTC. Mielke seconded the motion. Chair Marc Boldt and Councilors Stewart, Olson, Madore, Mielke voted aye. Motion carried.

Madore spoke about the parameters regarding RTC Dues. Further discussion ensued. Boldt spoke about having a work session about RTC. McCauley joined the discussion about the city / county population. Further discussion ensued about the port district. The Board has directed McCauley to get with Matt Ransom on setting up a RTC work session.

Marijuana

Madore spoke about a marijuana shop opening in the incorporated area. He spoke about code enforcement following up. Stewart inquired if the location was for medical or recreation use. Horne joined the discussion and stated they were working on enforcing the code. Stewart inquired about the County's policies. Horne responded and stated he would follow up with the Board. Horne provided some background on the Court of Appeals. Further discussion ensued about selling drug paraphernalia. Boldt spoke about a previous resolution regarding paraphernalia. Further discussion ensued about state / local laws.

Public Comment

Boldt inquired about the public hearing's structure as the request was made at last night's hearing to have the public comment portion first. Further discussion ensued. Olson also spoke about reasonable behavior at the hearings. More discussion with happen at the Board Retreat.

Marijuana Work Session

Boldt spoke about wanting a work session and obtaining funds for drug and alcohol treatment / prevention. Stewart spoke about a similar discussion at WSAC and spoke about associated costs with marijuana and doesn't agree with the current standards that you have to "Pay to Play." Further discussion ensued.

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CVTV coverage

Madore inquired about CVTV coverage. McCauley responded.

Executive Session Request

Boldt stated he wanted to have an executive session regarding the status of the Cowlitz Casino. Horne responded. Madore spoke about the recent resolution. Further discussion ensued.

Board time format

Mielke stated he would like to mirror what the City of Vancouver is doing as he feels they are having two hearings a week with the current format of Board time. Further discussion ensued. Olson stated she would like less action taken at Board time. More discussion with happen at the Board Retreat.

COV Workshop - Housing Task Force Recommendations

McCauley provided some background.

Work Session Request – Rural industrial land bank

McCauley provided some background.

ACTION: The Board approved scheduling the work session.

Adjourned

The Board adjourned for Executive Session and reconvened at 4:06 PM

Adjourned

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ATTEST:

Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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