

**CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES OF JANUARY 28 2014**

The Board convened in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Commissioners Tom Mielke, David Madore, and Steve Stuart present.

10:00 AM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Commissioners led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Dr. Greg Romine, King's Church, delivered the invocation.

DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION – CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CENTER: CANINE COMPANIONS FOR INDEPENDENCE

Mary Blanchette, Director, Children's Justice Center, presented. Mark Kowalski presented. Further discussion ensued.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mielke read consent agenda items #1 -#11.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **APPROVE** consent agenda items #1 – 11. Stuart seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore, and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT

1. Craig Lynch spoke about the starving horse ranch.
2. Ed Barnes spoke about mental health issues and spoke about Don Benton. **Further Board discussion ensued.**
3. Micheline Doan spoke in support of Commissioner Mielke and Commissioner Madore.
4. Carolyn Crain spoke about the fee holiday waiver.
5. Sharon Nasset suggested Commissioner Mielke be appointed to Chair / Vice Chair of RTC / C-Tran. She also spoke about light rail.
6. Don Orange spoke about the hiring of Don Benton.
7. Carol Levanen, Clark County Citizen's United, gave praise to Heath Henderson. She also spoke about zoning and parks.
8. Bruce Barnes spoke about a recent cleanup in an intersection. He stated his support of Commissioner Steve Stuart's service.

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PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENTS TO CLARK COUNTY CODE 40.620.020, PARK IMPACT FEE COMPONENT

To consider amendments to Clark County Code 40.620.020, Park Impact Fee Component, to combine the acquisition and development funds into a single Park Impact Fee fund.

Heath Henderson, Public Works Director, presented. Stuart inquired more about the acquisition. Chris Horne, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, responded.

PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENTS TO CLARK COUNTY CODE 40.620.020, PARK IMPACT FEE COMPONENT

1. Terry Allen read in a letter to the Board on behalf of the Felida Neighborhood Association on their recommendations.
2. Gretchen Starke spoke about the park deficit and stated her opposition of combining the funds.
3. Sydney Reisbick stated her opposition in using the funds for maintenance.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **APPROVE** Ordinance 2014-01-14 to combine future park impact fees into one fund for both acquisition and development. Stuart seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING: REMOVAL OF HAZARD TREES AT CAMP HOPE

To consider clarification of the Budget resolution restricting removal of "designated timber" as not applicable to the removal of hazard trees on a one-time basis for Camp Hope in the immediate vicinity of the camp.

Kevin Tyler, Environmental Services, presented. Further discussion ensued. Don Benton, Environmental Services Director, joined the discussion.

ACTION: Moved by Madore to **AUTHORIZE** the removal of hazard trees and minor thinning to promote forest health – Reference #EN14-7. Stuart seconded the motion. Commissioners Mielke, Madore and Stuart voted aye. Motion carried

COMMISSIONER COMMUNICATIONS

Stuart stated his appreciation for the outreach of those who contacted him regarding his recent departure news.

Madore spoke about the Board's action and appreciation for working well together.

Mielke spoke about events at the YWCA and 4-H.

Hearing Adjourned

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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



Tom Mielke, Chair



David Madore, Commissioner

Steve Stuart, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Board

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