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**Clatsop County  
Board of Commissioners  
Minutes  
Wednesday, July 12, 2023**

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**REGULAR MEETING: 6:00 PM**

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**FLAG SALUTE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT**

Commissioner Lianne Thompson  
Commissioner Pam Wev  
Chair Mark Kujala

**EXCUSED**

Commissioner John Toyooka  
Vice Chair Courtney Bangs

**AGENDA APPROVAL**

*Motion made by Commissioner Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Wev.  
Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Chair Kujala*

**BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Rick Bowers, 357 Commercial Street, Astoria has shared various facts relating to housing and homelessness with the Board. His opinion is that Oregon is following the same approach as California which he says has a worse housing crisis than Oregon does. Mr. Bowers suspects there will housing shortages for decades so we should plan on supporting housing folks for decades. The homelessness situation will not go away.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

*Motion made by Commissioner Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Wev.  
Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Chair Kujala*

1. Resolution & Orders Setting Assessments for Diking Districts 5, 11 and 14, for fiscal year 2023-24 {Page 21}
2. Award of six-month contract to Bio-Oregon for purchase of fish food with option to renew for additional six months {Page 32}
3. Board of Commissioners Minutes 5-24-23 {Page 36}
4. Contract for the Westport Sewer Treatment Plant Operator {Page 42}
5. Professional Services Agreement # C8403 with Dr. Thomas Duncan, M.D. for the Biennium July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 {Page 50}
6. Custodial Service Contract {Page 54}

7. Intergovernmental Agreement #180004-0 between Oregon Health Authority (OHA) and the Local Public Health Authority for Clatsop County (LPHA), Clatsop County Department of Public Health, for the Biennium July 1, 2023 through June 30, 2025 {Page 99}
8. FY 23-24 ARPA Funding Agreement with LiFEBoat Services {Page 103}
9. Project Turnkey – Columbia Inn Operating Agreement and Operational Plan {Page 121}

## COMMISSIONER'S LIAISON REPORTS

Commissioner Wev is still absorbing the results of the legislative session and hopes staff will help the Board with what they need to address from the outcomes of the session. She recommended a presentation that can be seen on the Oregon Public Broadcasting about the forestry wildfire mapping.

Commissioner Thompson reported the Department of Forestry will be attending the District meetings of the AOC and will meet with the Commissioners regionally. She stated the AOC committee co-chairs are working on taking a thoughtful approach on sharing their regional needs and then present a unified community of interest at AOC. Commissioner Thompson said ColPac is working on getting a new executive director, they had seventeen applicants. The NWAct chairs met with the head of the Oregon Transportation Commission and were notified that the ODOT doesn't have enough money and they are using state funds to remedy past social injustice. The entire transportation system is underfunded. She said the county is looking at starting a traffic safety committee which will be defined later.

Chair Kujala attended the NOHA board meeting and stated that their insurance deductible will be raised from \$5000 to \$25,000 per claim. They will be hiring a recruiter to go out for an executive director. They are in need some maintenance technicians so they can turn around the units. They are still working on the Owens Adair and the opening of Trillium House. Chair Kujala said NOHA is working on getting the meeting agendas and minutes posted for public view.

## COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT

Don Bohn had no report.

## BUSINESS AGENDA

10. Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement {Page 145}

Human Resources Director Rebecca Cameron presented the collective bargaining agreement for Clatsop County Law Enforcement Association (CCLEA) and thanked the bargaining team for their time and dedication through the process and also the Sheriff and Undersheriff for their leadership and guidance. Ms. Cameron gave a summary of noteworthy changes.

*Motion: "Move that the Board approve the 2023-2027 Collective Bargaining Agreement between Clatsop County and Clatsop County Law Enforcement Association, and authorize the Chair to sign the agreement."*

1 *Motion made by Commissioner Wev, Seconded by Commissioner Thompson.*  
2 *Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Chair Kujala*

3 11. Cost of Living Adjustment for Unrepresented Employees {Page 188}

4 Ms. Cameron shared the basis of determining the Cost of Living Adjustment  
5 (COLA) for unrepresented employees. This is based on the CIP-U West Region  
6 and also the Collective Bargaining Agreements. This year the recommendation is  
7 a 4.5% COLA.

8 *Motion: "Move that the Board approve the attached Resolution and Order*  
9 *implementing a cost of living adjustment of 4.5% for Clatsop County*  
10 *unrepresented, confidential, casual, and contracted employees, effective July 1,*  
11 *2023."*

12 *Motion made by Commissioner Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Wev.*  
13 *Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Chair Kujala*

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15 **GOOD OF THE ORDER**

16 There was nothing for the good of the order.

17 **ADJOURNMENT**

18 There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:40 pm.

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23 Mark Kujala, Chair  
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