

**COLUMBIA RIVER COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS  
MEETING MINUTES  
EAST WENATCHEE, WA  
3/09/2017**

**Members Present-** Commissioners Cindy Carter, Rob Coffman, Roger Hartwig, Kevin Overbay, Dan Sutton, Chris Branch

**Staff Present-** Bruce Buckles, Val Graber, Tammy Harvey, Erin Nelson, Ken Sterner, Diane Tribble, Josh Hamilton, Jill Dempsey

**Guests-** Tom Cash, Union Representative and Linda DeLaCruz, Staff Representative

**Meeting-** Cindy Carter called the Columbia River Council of Governments (COG) meeting to order at 1:35 pm.

**Public Comment-** Linda DeLaCruz presented a staff member's request to remove pictures of elected government leaders that have recently been hung in the Wenatchee office entryway. After discussion, it was determined that the Executive Director, Bruce Buckles had the COGs approval to hang the pictures and the authority to remove them.

**Minutes-** Rob Coffman moved to approve the minutes from the February 2, 2017 meeting as submitted. Kevin Overbay seconded, and the motion carried.

**Budget & Expenditures-** Expenditures were reviewed for January, 2017. Rob Coffman made a motion to approve the expenditures for Checks 62539-62541, DD 12461-DD 12567, EFTPS 1, DRS 1 & 2, EFT 1, ESD 4, LNI 4. Kevin Overbay seconded, and the motion carried. There was a general discussion about the state budget and possible impact on funds and programs.

**Advisory Committee Terms-** Tammy Harvey reported that there are three (3) openings for Adams County, one opening in Okanogan County and one (1) opening in Lincoln County for the Advisory Committee. The Advisory Committee recommend the approval of Shelley Kensler from Adams County for a three year term on the committee. Dan Sutton made a motion to appoint Shelley Kensler to the Advisory Committee. Kevin Overbay seconded, and the motion carried.

**Surplus Inventory-** A listing of damaged equipment was presented with a request for disposal. Dan Sutton made a motion to approve the request to dispose of the damaged equipment. Rob Coffman seconded, and the motion carried.

**Quarterly Reports-** Quarterly reports were reviewed and departmental information was shared. There was a discussion relating to cost comparisons of having a fleet of vehicles for staff travel versus reimbursement for mileage. Tammy will bring actual expense information to the next meeting.

**Personnel Update-** Leslie Delgado accepted the Case Manager position in Moses Lake, effective 2/08/17. Laura Carmona accepted the Case Aide position in Moses Lake, effective 2/09/17.

**Monitoring Reports-** Jill Dempsey reviewed the monitoring reports for ResCare Washington, Inc. and Beneficial In-Home Care, Inc.

**Executive Director's Report-** Bruce Buckles announced plans to rearrange office space at the Wenatchee office. He also reported on the good relationship enjoyed with Home and Community Services, Developmental Disabilities Administration, and SHIBA who share the building space. Bruce reported that the ACH has passed bylaws and is in the process of applying for Not for Profit status.

He also shared information about the upcoming Guardianship Conference to be held on May 12<sup>th</sup> in Wenatchee.

**Executive Session-** The board entered into executive session at 3:07 pm to review negotiations on contract and review performance of public employee, Per RCW 42.30.110 Executive Sessions

The board reconvened at 3:38 pm and no actions were taken.

**Cindy Carter adjourned the meeting at 3:40 pm.**