



**Columbia Development Authority Meeting Minutes
Regular Meeting May 1, 2018
10:30 a.m.**

Pursuant to notice made by press release to newspapers of general and local circulation through the state and emailed to persons on the mailing list of the Columbia Development Authority (CDA). This regular meeting of the Columbia Development Authority was held at the Port of Morrow Administrative office, in Boardman, Oregon.

Present were Chair Don Russell, Bill Elfering, Gary Neal, Bill Tovey, Kim Puzey, and Director Greg Smith, the entire board of the CDA. Chair Russell, presented the agenda as follows:

- 1) Review of the CDA's financials
- 2) Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit modification update
- 3) Section 106 update
- 4) Part of the CDA's property is included in Tract 9510 which was nominated for the opportunity zone

The meeting was called to order by Chair Don Russell at 10:35 a.m. The meeting started with a round of self-introductions.

The review and approval of the meeting minutes from February 6, 2018. Gary Neal moved to approve the minutes; Bill Tovey seconded the motion, the motion passed.

The Director discussed the 2017/2018 budget and wanted to ensure that the Board knows that this budget is for 18 months instead of the standard 12-month period.

The Director stated that there is a public meeting for the RCRA Permit at 6:00 p.m. tonight at the Oxford Suites Inn, Hermiston, Oregon. He mentioned it is open to all.

The Section 106 process was mentioned, but due to its sensitivity, it will be discussed further in executive session. The pedestrian survey has been completed and will discuss further in executive session due to the sensitivity as well.

The Director provided an update sharing the Governor was here last Friday and toured the Umatilla Army Depot. He asked if each of the members that were on the tour to provide an update. Board Member Elfering stated the Governor visited Eastern Oregon to see the recharge area at the Depot, but she is aware of the project and objectives. Board Member Puzey underscored JR's attendance at the meeting and thanked him. Director thanked Board Member Gary Neal and the Port of Morrow for providing the transportation for everyone.

The Umatilla County portion of the CDA was included in the Tract 9510 that was nominated for the opportunity zone. Melisa Drugge will provide an update after the executive session.

There were no other comments for the good of the order. We recessed for an executive session at 10:45 am.

At 11:30 am we reconvened as Melisa Drugge was able to provide an update of the opportunity zone program.

She mentioned the list of nominations have been added to Business Oregon's site. Melisa stated the nominations were approved by the Governor and then forwarded onto the U.S. Department of Treasury. We will hear back in 30-60 days which tracts will be approved by the U.S. Department of Treasury.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted:
Greg Smith, Executive Director