

CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approval Date: May 6, 2020

Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex 94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon www.co.curry.or.us

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES April 8, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Paasch at 9:01 a.m. Present were Chair Christopher Paasch, Vice-Chair Court Boice, Commissioner Sue Gold.

Also present: Legal Counsel John Huttl, Director of Operations Julie Schmelzer, Administrative Assistant John Jezuit.

The Pledge was recited by all.

2. APPROVAL/AMENDMENT OF THE AGENDA

Boice – Add COVID – 19 Task Force to discussion agenda.

Huttl stated this will be discussed in Executive Session. Paasch stated the public responses, if any, to the issues covered during the discussion will be announced after the executive session.

Motion by Gold, seconded by Boice, to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

None

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION AGENDA

A. Authorizing Special Procurement ORION Software – Jim Kolen, Assessor Kolen explained the process of public purchasing ORION software for the Assessor's office. Huttl further explained the steps involved with the procurement process, stated the County is not purchasing the software today, and stated there will be a public hearing.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Gold, to approve starting of the procurement of ORION software process. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Continuation of OTET (Oregon Teamster Employers Trust) Employee Benefits During COVID-19 – Julie Swift, Payroll and Personnel Coordinator

Swift summarized the request stating it concerns paying health insurance premiums for a specific length of time to employees who are able to work, but, due to the COVID-19 pandemic, are not designated essential. Gold asked about the cost to the County, asked about recouping costs from FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) after the pandemic is over, and urged good record keeping. Paasch stated this can be canceled at an earlier date and feels rural counties will

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be able to apply for a lot of new things after the pandemic is over. Huttl observed any amount the County spends is budgeted.

Motion by Gold, seconded by Boice, to direct staff to prepare MOU (Memo of Understanding). Motion carried unanimously.

C. Rejecting an Essential Air Service Carrier at the Crescent City Airport – Commissioner Gold Gold explained the letter and cited disadvantages of Boutique Air. Paasch further discussed the issue.

Motion by Gold, seconded by Boice, to approve the letter. Motion carried unanimously.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION

192.660 (2)(d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection 192.660(2)(h) To consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed

Chair Paasch entered Executive Session at 9:16 a.m. exited at 11:17 a.m.

Staff is to proceed as directed.

Paasch said statements made by Boice about Jeremy Dumire, Emergency Management Coordinator, are not the official position of Curry County.

6. OTHER (ORS.192.640(1)"... notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.")

7. ADJOURN

Chair Paasch adjourned the meeting at 11:18 a.m.

Dated this day 6th of May, 2020.

Christopher S Raasch, Chair

Court Boice, Vice Chair 5 6 20

Sue Gold Commissioner

Minutes prepared by: John Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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