



CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Date Approved:

August 18, 2021

Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex
94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon

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MINUTES BUSINESS MEETING

April 28, 2021

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1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boice at 9:30 a.m. Present were Chair Court Boice, Vice Chair John Herzog, and Commissioner Chris Paasch.

Also present: Legal Counsel Anthony Pope, Brad Rueckert Director of County Operations, and Administrative Assistant John Jezuit.

The Pledge was recited by all.

2. LINE OF DUTY CASUALTY REPORT

Boice gave the report, read statistics about veterans, and gave a COVID-19 pandemic report.

3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Herzog - Move Agenda Item 7L

Boice – Move Agenda Item 7K to Agenda Item 7A1 and move Agenda Item 7L to Agenda Item 7A2

Boice -- Move Agenda Item 6B to Agenda Item 12 Other

Boice – Move Agenda Item 6C to Agenda Item 7N

Paasch – Move 7A to Executive Session 192.660(2)(b) and then to Agenda Item 12 Other

Pope -- Move Agenda Item 7M to Executive Session 192.660(2)(h)

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Michele Martin, Jeannie Albee, and Connie Lord spoke about Public Health and their concerns with the Board decision to transfer to OHA (Oregon Health Authority). Maria Sudduth spoke about SWOCC (Southwestern Oregon Community College) and benefits of the programs at the Brookings Campus. George Cady spoke about SWOCC and having Curry County representatives on the SWOCC Board. Gordon Clay read a statement about juvenile mental illness. Tim Wilson spoke about mental health issues and schools. Both Boice and Clay presented Wilson with a certificate. Connie Hunter spoke about upcoming meetings about suicide prevention training. Skip Hunter also spoke about getting Curry County representation on the SWOCC Board.

5. PRESENTATION

A. Southwest Oregon Community College Presentation – Update – President Patty Scott and Curry Campus Dean Douglas Bunn - Commissioner Boice

(*Presentation via GoToMeeting*) Scott started the presentation with a COVID-19 pandemic update, noted the pandemic's impact on SWOCC, and commented on future plans. Boice, Bunn, Ali Mageehon, Joannie Miller, and Paasch discussed SWOCC programs.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Business Meeting January 13, 2021

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AGENDA ITEM 6B WAS MOVED TO BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 8 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

B. Housing Committee Appointment -Ty Downing

AGENDA ITEM 6C DISCUSSED BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 8 DIRECTOR'S REPORT

C. ARP (American Rescue Plan) Accounting

Barnes spoke about a separate account for ARP funds.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to create an account for ARP. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Approve County Credit Card for Anthony Pope, County Counsel

E. Approve County Credit Card for Miranda Plagge, Economic Development Assistant

F. Appoint Commissioner Paasch to the Board of Property Tax Appeals (BOPTA)

G. Transfer of an Employee – Alisha Wibking-Krohn

H. Appoint Member to Tourism Promotions Committee

I. Amendment No. 1 to ODOT (Oregon Department of Transportation) Grant Agreement No. 34195

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve consent agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM 7A MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 10 EXECUTIVE SESSION AND AGENDA ITEM 12 OTHER

A. CAFFA (County Assessment Function Funding Assistance) Grant 2021-22 – Assessor Kolen Moved to Executive Session and Other

AGENDA ITEM 7A1 NOT DISCUSSED

7A1. Declaring May 9th – National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day and May as Mental Health Awareness Month

AGENDA ITEM 7L MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 7A2

7A2. Formation of South Coast Parks and Recreation District – County Counsel, Anthony Pope A discussion with Boice; Herzog; Dr. Julianne Leighton; Paasch; Pope; Rueckert; and Jay Trost, Deputy Director, Public Works and Development Services, City of Brookings followed. Pope put together an outline of the process. Rueckert read Pope's memo and expressed concern about County taking charge of the process. Boice supports the formation. Herzog also supports the formation and noted if there's anything that needs to be done at the County, he will take that responsibility. Paasch asked about a sunset clause.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Boice, to approve formation of district. Motion carried 2-1 (Boice – Yes; Herzog – Yes; Paasch – No)

B. Coos Curry Douglas Business Development EDA (Economic Development Administration) Grant Application - Request to Recapitalize CCD's Revolving Loan Funds – Commissioner Boice Boice spoke about the letter he wrote.

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Motion by Boice, seconded Paasch, for Board approval. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Steve Beyerlin - Curry County Salmon and Steelhead Recovery Coordinator – Contract Extension - Commissioner Boice
Beyerlin, Boice, and Herzog discussed Beyerlin’s work and contract extension.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to extend Steve Beyerlin’s contract. Motion carried unanimously.

- D. Curry County Board of Commissioners – Discussion – Action Item - Possible Reduction of Restaurant and Environmental Operating Fees – Temporary - Commissioner Boice
Boice; Herzog; Miranda Plagge, Economic Development Assistant; Paasch; Pope; and Sherrié Ward, Public Health Administrator discussed issues facing restaurants, impact of COVID-19 pandemic, environmental health fees, TLT (Transient Lodging Tax) funds, ORS (Oregon Revised Statutes) regulations, and OHA oversight.

- E. Curry County Public Health – Commissioner Paasch
A discussion with Barnes, Boice, Herzog, Connie Hunter, Skip Hunter, Paasch, and Sheriff Ward about CCH (Curry Community Health), OHA, Public Health, WIC (Women Infants and Children) services, mental health services, and financial implications ensued.

- F. Amended Resolution Transferring Local Public Health Authority Responsibility from Curry County to Oregon Health Authority, (OHA) State of Oregon - County Counsel, Anthony Pope

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Boice, to approve resolution. Motion carried 2-1 (Boice – Yes; Herzog – Yes; Paasch – No).

- G. Letter from OHA Re: Termination of Financing of Public Health Services Agreement #159808; Termination of Environmental Health Services IGA (Intergovernmental Agreement) #154675; and Responsibilities for Certain Public Health Services – County Counsel Anthony Pope
Pope gave a brief summary. A discussion with Barnes, Herzog, Paasch, Pope, and Rueckert followed.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Boice, to approve letter. Motion carried 2-1 (Boice – Yes; Herzog – Yes; Paasch – No).

- H. MOU (Memo Of Understanding)– WIC (Women Infants Children) Services with Josephine County – Sherrié Ward, Public Health Administrator
The MOU was discussed by Boice, Paasch, Pope, and Rueckert.

- I. Curry County Board of Commissioners – Special Meeting to Consider Transferring their Local Mental Health Authority to Oregon Health Authority (OHA) - Commissioner Boice
Boice summarized the topic. A discussion with Boice, Herzog, Paasch, and Pope about procedures transferring local mental health, pending litigation, and timelines ensued.

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Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, we get them to bring a presentation to us ASAP with all the other people involved hospitals, administrators, and CCO's. Motion carried 2-0 (Herzog – Yes; Paasch – Yes; Boice - Abstain).

Boice, Herzog, Paasch, and Pope discussed a liaison to OHA for Public Health and Mental Health Services.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch to appoint Boice as liaison to Public and Mental Health. Motion carried unanimously.

- J. Discuss Curry County Logo – Commissioner Paasch
A discussion with Barnes; Boice; Herzog; Kolen; Summer Matteson, Economic Development Coordinator; Paasch; Nancy Sue Rose; and Rueckert about changing the logo, specifically, deciding on which logo to use and costs associated with the change, followed.

AGENDA ITEM 7K, MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 7A1

- K. Curry County Board of Commissioners – At the Request of Gordon Clay – Declaring May 9th – National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day and May as Mental Health Awareness Month - Commissioner Boice

AGENDA ITEM 7L MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 7A2

- L. Formation of South Coast Parks and Recreation District – County Counsel, Anthony Pope

AGENDA ITEM 7M MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 10 EXECUTIVE SESSION

- M. Approval to Discontinue Use of the OpenGov Software – Brad Rueckert, Director of County Operations
Move to Exec Session

8. **DIRECTOR'S REPORT** spoke about
- Teamsters 206 Employer Trust letter;
 - Budget Committee meetings May, 2021; and
 - Economic Development activities.

9. **COMMISSIONER UPDATES**

- A. Commissioner Herzog did not give an update.
- B. Commissioner Paasch spoke about
- Liability issues;
 - Potential for lawsuits due to an elected official temporarily suspending license fees; and
 - A motion to censure Boice (The motion died for lack of a second.)
- C. Commissioner Boice spoke about
- Paasch's comment;

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- Spending;
- County vehicles;
- Restaurant revitalization;
- Economic Development; and
- A grant writer.

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- 192.660(2)(a) To consider the employment of a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent.
- 192.660(2)(b) To consider the dismissal or disciplining of, or to hear complaints or charges brought against, a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent who does not request an open hearing.
- 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 Boice entered Executive Session at 3:38 p.m. and exited at 4:24 p.m.

Staff to proceed as directed.

11. HIRE ORDERS

- New Hire of an Employee – WIC Coordinator

Boice believes the Board wants to go forward with disregarding that at least for the time being.

12. 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.")

AGENDA ITEM 7A MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 12

7A. CAFFA (County Assessment Function Funding Assistance) Grant 2021- 2022

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Boice, to approve CAFFA grant. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6B MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 12

6B. Housing Committee Appointment -Ty Downing

Motion by Herzog, seconded Boice, to appoint Ty Downing. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURN

Chair Boice adjourned meeting at 4:32 p.m.

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Opposed
Chair Court Boice

Herzog
Vice Chair John Herzog

Paasch
Commissioner Christopher S Paasch

Minutes prepared by John T. Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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