



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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Business Meeting Minutes

May 12, 2021

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1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boice at 9:01 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.

3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Pope – Add Executive Session 192.660(2)(h) as Agenda Item 9B

Rueckert - Add new hire order Administrative Secretary for Assessor's office as Agenda Item 10B

Boice – Pull Agenda Item 5C

Boice – Move Agenda Item 6C to Agenda Item 6A1

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Don Bemis Wreaths Across America stated December 18, 2021, is national wreath across America day. Gordon Clay spoke about COVID-19 pandemic cases and noted May is Mental Health Awareness month. David Barnes spoke about a committee to distribute ARP (American Rescue Plan) funds. Connie Hunter spoke about efforts to raise awareness of veteran suicide.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Special Meeting April 16, 2021

B. Bid Award - Annual Road Paint Striping Project with Signature Authority to Roadmaster.

AGENDA ITEM 5C PULLED

C. Modification to Deferred Comp Plan through Nationwide Retirement Solutions. Signature Authority to the Chair

D. Hillside Acres Road Adjustment

E. New Hire of an Employee – Building Official

F. Re-hire of a Former Employee – K. Strain

G. Grant Agreement No. 34195 County and State of Oregon, Department of Transportation – Public Transit Retroactive to Date on Agreement

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H. Amendment No. 1 to ODOT Grant Agreement No. 33654

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

6. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

AGENDA ITEM 6C DISCUSSED BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 6A

6C. Curry County Honoring United States Army (1985-1994) Veteran Loren M Farmer - Commissioner Boice

Boice read the proclamation. Farmer spoke about his Army service and commented on the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

A. Letter of Support for HB (House Bill) 3244 which Extends Film Incentives for Oregon – Miranda Plagge, Economic Development Assistant

Boice read the letter of support. A discussion with Boice, Herzog, Paasch, and Plagge about the economic impact of filming in the County followed.

B. Roadmaster Request for Signature Authority Approval of \$10,860 Purchase of Concrete Barrier from Rogue Valley Precast – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster and David Fortman, Code Enforcement Officer

Christensen spoke about the concrete barrier purchase and noted the multiple uses of the barriers.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to approve purchase of barriers. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6C MOVED TO BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 6A

C. Curry County Honoring United States Army (1985-1994) Veteran Loren M Farmer - Commissioner Boice

D. Curry County Authorizing Coos Forest Protective Association Minor Upgrades with Curry County I.T. (Information Technology) Communication Services – Towers - Commissioner Boice

Boice spoke about the topic

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Curry County – Public Education Funds – Request Staff to Develop a Preliminary Proposal for Upgrading Commissioner Hearing Room I.T. Systems - Commissioner Boice

A discussion with Boice; Eric Feliciano, Owner, MediaNook; Plagge; and Rueckert about upgrading the hearing room electronics followed. There was Board consensus to move forward.

F. Curry County Radio Dispatch System – Commissioner Paasch

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Paasch spoke about the current radio dispatch system and the condition it is in. A discussion with Sergeant Stacy Aranda, Boice, Herzog, Captain Phil McDonald, Paasch, Rueckert, and Sheriff Ward about specific issues with the current system and the cost to replace ensued. The Board agreed to bring this back in June 2021.

G. One Year Cooperative Agreement Extension between Curry County Public Transit Service District, Curry County and Curry County Public Transit, Inc. to Provide Transit Services in Curry County Retroactive to July 1, 2020 – Anthony Pope, County Counsel
Pope spoke about the retroactive agreement.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve one (1) year extension retroactive to June 30, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Curry County Support – Cole Rivers Hatchery - Request for Appropriations Specific - Studies and Engineering Attn. U.S. Senator Jeff Merkley Commissioner Boice
Boice read a brief background from Steve Beyerlin. Boice, Herzog, and Paasch discussed the issue.

I. Proclaiming May as Mental Health Awareness Month – Commissioner Boice
Boice read the resolution.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

7. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Rueckert did not give a report.

8. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

A. Commissioner Boice spoke about

- Boice-Cope Park shutdown;
- Office reorganization;
- COVID-19 pandemic funds distribution;
- A recent funders meeting regarding the fire training center;
- Excess County vehicles;
- Employees working from home;
- The housing committee;
- HB (House Bill) 2377 from a few years back; and
- Commissioner access to public records.

B. Commissioner Herzog spoke about

- Housing;
- The cost of lumber; and
- South Coast Lumber.

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- C. Commissioner Paasch spoke about
 - The commodity markets.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. 192.660(2)(a) To Consider the Employment of a Public Officer, Employee, Staff Member or Individual Agent.
- B. 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 11:31 a.m. and exited at 12:07 p.m.

Staff to proceed as directed.

10. HIRE ORDERS

- A. New Hire of an Employee – Custodian – Julie Swift, Personnel and Payroll Coordinator

AGENDA ITEM 11B ADDED

- B. Hire Order for Administrative Secretary for Assessor's Office.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve both hire orders. Motion carried unanimously.

- 11. 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.")**

ADENDA ITEM 11A ADDED

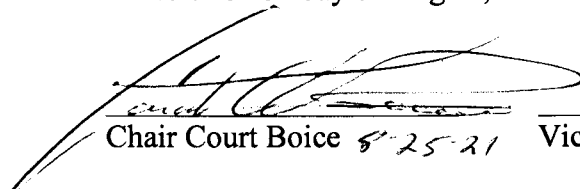
- A. Order Approving an United Way Southwestern Oregon Grant for the Suicide Awareness and Prevention Council

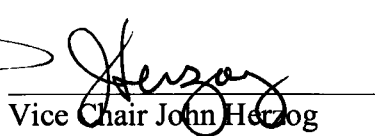
Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve grant for \$1,500.00. Motion carried unanimously.

12. ADJOURN

Vice Chair Herzog adjourned the meeting at 12:13 p.m.

Dated this 18th day of August, 2021.


Chair Court Boice 8-25-21


Vice Chair John Herzog


Commissioner Christopher S Paasch

Minutes prepared by: John T. Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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