



CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approval Date:

September 1, 2021

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

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Business Meeting Minutes

June 23, 2021

Please Note: For detailed information on any agenda item, refer to Audio/Video.

1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Boice at 9:00 a.m. Present were Chair Court Boice, Vice Chair John Herzog, and Commissioner Chris Paasch.

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

The Pledge was recited by all.

2. LINE OF DUTY CASUALTY REPORT

Boice did not give a report.

3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Rueckert – Pull Agenda Item 7I Supplemental Budget

Rueckert -- Pull Agenda Item 8O

Boice – Pull Agenda Item 5E

Boice – Pull Agenda Item 5D

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

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Rowe spoke about ARP (American Rescue Plan) committee composition. Tim Palmer spoke in opposition to wild horses. Nancy Sue Rose spoke in opposition to wild horses. David Barnes spoke about Monday's small claims court hearing. Connie Hunter spoke about OHA (Oregon Health Authority) and behavioral health.

5. PRESENTATION

A. Presentation on Safety Committees – Shelley Nasby, Senior Safety Management Consultant with SAIF (State Accident Insurance Fund) and Carrie Dexter, Account Payable Payroll Clerk
Dexter stated the Safety Committee's goal is to eliminate workplace injuries. Nasby gave a PowerPoint presentation which addressed Workman's Compensation Mod (Modification) factor and

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its effect on cost of insurance. A discussion with Boice, Dexter, Herzog, Nasby, Paasch, and Rueckert followed.

B. Oregon Offshore Wind Planning - Whitney Hauer and Andy Lanier - Commissioner Boice
Hauer gave a presentation with slides and Andy Lanier spoke about ocean planning resources. A discussion with Boice, Hauer, Herzog, and Lanier ensued.

C. OHA (Oregon Health Authority) Presentation to Curry County – Cara Biddlecom Public Health Director and Steve Allen, Behavioral Health Director – Commissioner Boice
(Steve Allen was represented by Cindy Bollinger)
Biddlecom spoke about the transfer of local public health authority to the State. A discussion with Biddlecom, Boice, Bollinger, and Clay followed.

AGENDA ITEM 5D WAS PULLED

D. Curry County – Back the Blue - Commissioner Boice

AGENDA ITEM 5E WAS PULLED

E. Curry County – Josephine County Native North American Wild Horse Fire Brigade - Current Policy is to Receive from the Bureau of Land Management of \$ 1,000 Per Horse Adopted.
Commissioner Boice

6. PUBLIC HEARING AT 11:00AM

A. County Fees

Boice opened the public hearing. There were no comments. Boice closed the public hearing.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog to approve updated county fees. Motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes Special Meeting June 4, 2021

B. Re-Hire Summer Work Crew – N. Laurino

C. Re-Hire Summer Work Crew - C. Matteson

D. Promotion of an Employee – J. Flores

E. Housing Committee Grant

F. Appoint Members to the Safety Committee

G. Transfer of an Employee – L. Hopkins

H. Transfer of an Employee – A. Adkins

AGENDA ITEM 7I WAS PULLED

I. Supplemental Budget

J. Master Payroll 2021-2022

K. Maintenance Contract Assessor and Oregon Department of Revenue

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

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8. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

A. Review Rules of Decorum for Commissioner Board Meetings – Anthony Pope, County Counsel Pope stated this will be discussed in Executive Session.

B. Roadmaster Signature Authority on \$45K Flexible Service Maintenance Agreement with State of Oregon for ODOT (Oregon Department of Transportation) Forces and Equipment to Assist with Curry County 2021 Chip Seal Projects – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster Christensen summarized details of the agreement.

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

C. Roadmaster Signature Authority on \$80K Flexible Service Maintenance Agreement with State of Oregon to Reimburse Curry County Road Department Its Costs for Labor, Equipment and Material to Assist State with 2nd Half of Carpenterville Road Chip Seal Project – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster Christensen summarized details of the Agreement.

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

D. Roadmaster Request for Board Approval to Place 34 Acres of Curry County Property Located at Intersection of Hwy 101 and Airport Road for Use as Road Department Storage Facility with Transfer of \$111,660 from Road Dept. to General Fund – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster Christensen noted this property was acquired from State Parks. A discussion with Boice; Christensen; Matt Hall, Owner Publisher Curry Country Reporter and Port Orford News; Herzog; Paasch; and Rueckert ensued with Board consensus to bring this topic back at the July 7, 2021, workshop.

E. Roadmaster Request for Board Approval and Signature Authority on Interagency Master Agreement between USFS (United States Forest Service) and Curry County Road Department for Road Maintenance and Repairs in Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest and Adjacent Curry County Roads. Plus Roadmaster Request For Signature Authority to Sign \$697,000 Road Project Agreement in Order for USFS to Obligate Funds for Following Fiscal Year – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster.

Christensen summarized details of each agreement.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve in its entirety. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Out of County Property Owner Registration Program Transition of Code Enforcement Program Staff – Dave Fortman, Enforcement Officer and Commissioner Boice Fortman reviewed the history of the Ordinance and spoke about current issues. A discussion with Boice; Fortman; Herzog; Jim Kolen, Assessor; Paasch; and Rueckert about contiguous properties, fees, discounts, and animal control issues followed.

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Motion by Boice, seconded by Paasch, on the property owner registration, the annual fee would be subject to a chart if there are multiple properties owned by an individual that could be possible discounts. Otherwise, fees remain the same as they were last year. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to go back and re-bill. If they do not respond and/or pay, then we attach a lien. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Development of a Stakeholder Committee Tasked with Identifying Recommendations for Use of American Rescue Plan (ARP) Funds, with Organic and Transparent Process - David Barnes, Treasurer and Summer Matteson, Economic Development Coordinator
Barnes spoke about the configuration of the committee. A further discussion with Barnes, Boice, Herzog, S. Matteson, Paasch, and Rueckert about the committee configuration followed.

Motion by Boice for no county employees on ARP stakeholder committee. Motion dies for lack of second.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve a seven (7) member committee; three (3) county employees Rueckert, S. Matteson, and Pope (as ex-officio members); and no elected officials. Motion carried 2-1 (Herzog – Yes; Paasch – Yes; Boice – No).

AGENDA ITEM 8H WAS DISCUSSED WITH AGENDA ITEM 8G.

H. Curry County Review America Rescue Plan – Curry Citizen Committee Applications. Discuss-Amend-Approve Resolution - Commissioner Boice

I. Curry County Logo – Commissioner Paasch
Paasch and Boice spoke about the County logo.

J. Dispatch – Commissioner Paasch
Paasch explained the Motorola dispatch console is a first responders radio system. A discussion with Barnes, Boice, Herzog, and Paasch about the age of the current system, benefits and advantages of the new system, and the possibility of a lower cost option with a brand other than Motorola ensued.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to approve the contract for Motorola to redo the dispatch center and approve funding for that (contract) contingent upon (not) getting another viable bid before June 30, 2021, (then) to move forward with Motorola. Motion carried unanimously.

K. Curry County Commissioners Five (5) Member Board – Commissioner Paasch
Paasch cited reasons for a five (5) member Board. Herzog observed it is something to consider and noted it sounds a lot like home rule.

L. Public Transportation Division – ODOT (Curry Public Transit Grants) for Approval – Commissioner Herzog

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

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- M. Cooperative Agreement between the Curry County Public Transit Service District, Curry County and Curry County Public Transit, Inc., to Provide Transit Services – Anthony Pope, County Counsel
Pope briefly summarized details of the agreement.

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

- N. Contract for Professional Services – Curry County and Kudlac Law (Assistant County Counsel) – Anthony Pope, County Counsel
Pope explained the contract extending the relationship with Shala Kudlac.

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

AGENDA ITEM 80 WAS PULLED

- O. Designation of Newspaper(s) of Record for Curry County FY's (Fiscal Year) 2021-2022/2022-2023 (two (2) years) - Country Media, Curry County Reporter & Port Orford News – Brad Rueckert, DCO (Director of County Operations)

9. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Rueckert spoke about potential savings from an Amazon business account.

10. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

- A. Commissioner Boice spoke about
- Fire season and fires this year;
 - Budget committee and ORS 294.456;
 - HB 2927 (House Bill) and read the summary of the bill;
 - A SOD (Sudden Oak Death) update report;
 - Invasive species;
 - Matt Timchak Outreach notice E-Mail;
 - Offshore winds report to coastal legislators in Oregon; and
 - Letter to challenge Governor about funds to people not working
- B. Commissioner Herzog
- Did not have a report
- C. Commissioner Paasch spoke about
- Getting mouth of Rogue River cleaned out and
 - Pedal Pacific which uses cycling to educate people about sex trafficking.

11. 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

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C. Pope stated, per his recommendation, Assessor Kolen will address the Board in Executive Session.

Chair Boice entered Executive Session at 3:06 p.m. and exited at 4:23 p.m.

Staff to proceed as directed.

12. HIRE ORDERS

A. New Hire – Road Maintenance/Construction Worker III

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

13. 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.")

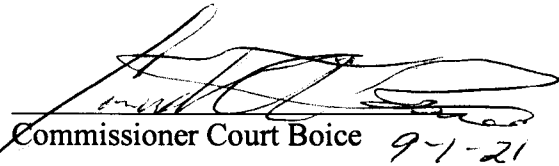
14. ADJOURN

Chair Boice adjourned meeting at 4:24 p.m.

Dated this 1st day of September, 2021.


Chair John Herzog


Vice Chair Christopher S Paasch


Commissioner Court Boice 9-1-21

Minutes prepared by: John T. Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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