

# **CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Date Approved:

October 6, 2021

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

**Business Meeting Minutes August 18, 2021** 

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## 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 and Administrative Assistant John Jezuit.

The Pledge was recited by all.

#### 2. LINE OF DUTY CASUALTY REPORT

Boice did not give a report. Boice spoke about the situation in Afghanistan.

Boice read a letter stating he will be stepping down as Board Chair effective at the end of today's meeting.

#### 3. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Herzog - Move Agenda Item 7M to Agenda Item 7A

Herzog - Pull Agenda Item 7F

Herzog -- Move Agenda Item 7N to Executive Session

Paasch - Move Agenda Item 7J to Agenda Item 7B

Boice - Move Agenda Item 6A to Agenda Item 7Q

Boice - Pull Agenda Item 7B

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

# 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Mary Rowe spoke about the housing resolution. Michele Martin spoke about public parking. Nancy Sue Rose spoke about Boice. Gordon Clay read a COVID-19 pandemic report about current Curry County statistics. Connie Hunter spoke about Afghanistan and veterans.

#### 5. PRESENTATION

(none)

#### 6. CONSENT AGENDA

#### MOVE AGENDA ITEM 6A TO AGENDA ITEM 7Q

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- A. Minutes Business Meeting April 28, 2021
- B. Minutes Business Meeting May 12, 2021
- C. Minutes Business Meeting May 26, 2021
- D. Minutes Special Meeting July 28, 2021
- E. Signature Authority to Juvenile Director for Renewal of Department of Education on Behalf of Youth Development Division, Juvenile Crime Prevention Fund.
- F. Amendment to the Master Payroll FY (Fiscal Year) 2021-2022 to Add Step CC
- G. Adopt a Position Description for a New Position County Legal Counsel
- H. Reclassification of an Employee A. Pope

# AGENDA ITEM 6I PULLED

- I. Designation of the Curry Coastal Pilot as the Newspaper of Record for Curry County for FY 2021-2023
- J. Payment of AOCC Dues FY 2021-2022
- K. Use of Maintenance Work Order Form

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

#### 7. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

# AGENDA ITEM 7M MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 7A

7M Curry County Board of Commissioners Discussion – Consideration of Response to Rising Covid Surge – 25 New Cases on 8-13-21 - Commissioner Boice

A discussion with Boice, Clay, Herzog, Hunter, Paasch, and Rose about COVID-19 pandemic issues followed.

A. Curry County Proclamation: September – National Suicide Awareness and Prevention Month - Commissioner Boice

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

#### AGENDA ITEM 7A WAS PULLED

- B. Curry County Proclamation Honoring United States Veteran United State Marine Soldier Tim Fortner Commissioner Boice
- C. Safety Committee Recommendation to Review County Personnel Rules Regarding Specialized Job Certifications Carrie Dexter, Safety Committee Chair

Dexter summarized details regarding specialized job certifications.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to review current personnel rules and specialized job certifications. Motion carried unanimously.

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D. Roadmaster Signature Authority to Approve Change Order #1 on S. County Paving Project in the Amount of \$74,842.50 for Tidewater Contractors to Grind and Pave Lively Lane – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster

Christensen explained.

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

E. Approval of 2021 STP Fund Exchange Agreement #3269 to Exchange \$323K in Federal Funds for \$304K in State Funds for S. County Paving Projects – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster Christensen summarized.

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

## AGENDA ITEM 7F WAS PULLED

- F. Restoring Trust in County Government David Barnes, Treasurer
- G. Direct the Curry County American Rescue Plan Fund Committee to Initiate Committee Proceedings
   Anthony Pope, County Counsel

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to have Pope set a date for the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

H. Discussion as to Capping the Road Fund – Commissioner Herzog A discussion with Boice, Christensen, Lieutenant Hensley, Herzog, and Paasch about the long-term impact of a hard limit on road funds followed.

# AGENDA ITEM 71 WAS DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 7M AND BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 7C

I. Juvenile Department Proposal for Use of the Colvin Building – Commissioner Herzog A discussion with Boice; Herzog; Hunter; Wendy Lang, Juvenile Director; and Paasch about the proposed move benefits to the Juvenile Department, costs, materials, and a possible need for a contractor ensued.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve Juvenile moving over to the Colvin building after getting a list and moving forward. Motion carried unanimously.

J. LPSCC (Local Public Safety Coordinating Council) Concerns as It Relates to Services – Commissioner Paasch

A discussion with Boice, Lieutenant Denney, Herzog, Lang, and Paasch about behavioral health services, where to go for someone in crisis, the need for direction, and local health providers followed.

K. Curry County – Updated Emergency Housing Declaration - Commissioner Boice A discussion with Barnes; Boice; Dave Fortman, Domestic Violence Sexual Assault Investigator; Herzog; Paasch; and Amanda Trover, Code Enforcement Officer, about workforce housing, shortage of RV Parks, people camping on the side of the road, costs, signage, jurisdictions, and Social Security Bar issues ensued.

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Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to update resolution for another 2 years. Motion carried unanimously.

#### AGENDA ITEM 7L DISCUSSED WITH AGENDA ITEM 71.

L. Curry County – Discussion – County Owned Colvin Building Plans - Recovery of Individual Room Remodeling – Recap of Work to Date, Cost Estimates, Etc. - Commissioner Boice

## AGENDA ITEM 7M MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 7A

M. Curry County Board of Commissioners Discussion – Consideration of Response to Rising Covid Surge – 25 New Cases on 8-13-21 - Commissioner Boice

# AGENDA ITEM 7N MOVED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION

- N. Curry County Request for Professional, Appropriate and Long Overdue Inquiry-Independent Investigation on the Boice Cope Park 2020 Camp Host Departures and Related Issues Authorize Up to \$ 5,000 Commissioner Boice
- O. Curry County Presentation Citizen, Elected Official and Curry Employee Parking Both for the Court House and Annex Commissioner Boice

  Barnes, Boice, and Paasch discussed Annex public parking.
- P. Curry County Comment on the Rogue-South Coast Multi-Species Conservation Plan Oregon Anglers Support Commissioner Boice

Motion by Herzog, seconded, by Paasch, to approve letter of support. Motion carried unanimously.

## AGENDA ITEM 6A MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 70

6A. Minutes Business Meeting April 28, 2021

A discussion with Boice, Herzog, and Paasch about amending the minutes, specifically, Agenda Item 9, followed.

Motion by Boice that the words that Commissioner Paasch and whatever interaction the Board had on (Agenda Item) 9A April 28 meeting liability issues, potential for lawsuit. motion to censure Boice be rerecorded word for word. Motion dies for lack of second.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to accept minutes of April 28, 2021, as written. Motion carried 2-1 (Herzog – Yes; Paasch - Yes; Boice – No)

# 8. COMMISSIONER UPDATES

- A. Commissioner Boice spoke about
  - Gina Nikkel, Executive Director, AOC, Rogue River trip and
  - His work on a grant writer, COVID-9 relief coordinator, housing development specialist.
- B. Commissioner Herzog did not give an update.

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- C. Commissioner Paasch spoke about
  - Meeting with Becky Crockett, Planning Director, about land for public housing;
  - Five (5) member Commissioner board and no administrator; and
  - The Afghanistan situation and veterans who died and/or were wounded.

#### 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. 192.660(2)(a) To Consider the Employment of a Public Officer, Employee, Staff Member or Individual Agent Julie Swift, Payroll and Personnel Coordinator
- 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. Anthony Pope, County Counsel
- C. 192.660(2)(e) To Conduct Deliberations with Persons Designated by the Governing Body to Negotiate Real Property Transactions.

Chair Boice entered Executive Session at 12:06 p.m., recessed at 12:24 p.m., re-entered at 3:39 p.m. and exited at 4:39 p.m.

Staff to proceed as directed.

#### 10. HIRE ORDERS

A. New Hire - Appraiser Trainee

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, to approve hire. 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.")
  - A. Elect New Board chair

Paasch nominates Herzog as the Board Chair. Motion carried 2-0 ()Herzog – Yes; Paasch – Yes; Boice – Abstain).

Herzog nominates Paasch as Vice Chair. Motion carried 2-0 (Herzog – Yes; Paasch – Yes; Boice – Abstain).

#### 12. ADJOURN

Chair Boice adjourned the meeting at 4:43 p.m.

Dated this 6th day of October, 2021.

Chair Court Boice /c to 21

Vice Chair John Herzog

Commissioner Christopher S Paasch

Minutes prepared by: John T. Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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