



**In The County Court of the State of Oregon for Harney County**  
***Minutes of the County Court***  
***November 25, 2014***

The Harney County Court convened in Judge Steven E. Grasty's office at 10 a.m. on Wednesday November 25, 2014. Members attending were Judge Steve Grasty, and Commissioner Pete Runnels and Commissioner Dan Nichols. Also attending were Eric Drushella, Roadmaster; Brandon McMullen, Planning Director; Tammy Johnston, Deputy Clerk.

Others in attendance included Steve Howe, Barbara Cannady, Barb Kull, and Michael Simpson.

Judge Grasty led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Runnels made a motion to approve the minutes from the November 25, 2014 meeting, Commissioner Nichols seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Vouchers were reviewed and approved by Court Signatures.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Barbara Cannady asked if there would be a resolution for the acceptance of the Harney County Road Map Inventory. Judge Grasty explained the map has been recognized and is on file, and there will be no resolution.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Mike Simpson, Training & Employment Consortium, discussed the need for assistance in funding for the Oregon Youth Conservation Corp. The loss of funding from the Harney County Commission on Children & Families has impacted their programs and they are in need of additional funds to continue the OYCC Community Stewardship Corp., a program that works with at-risk youth through the Alternative School. A request was made for \$12,500.00 for program funding during the year 1/1/15 through 12/31/15.

Commissioner Nichols made a motion to grant the Training & Employment Consortium \$12,500.00 from fund #236, Commissioner Runnels seconded, motion carried unanimously. At a later date, Commissioner Nichols will provide the Court with procedures on how to address requests from this fund.

Judge Grasty reviewed the process for appointment of Sheriff. There will be an interview committee who will meet with the applicants on Friday, December 5, 2014, at 8:00 am. The committee will include Jan Oswald, Commissioner Runnels, Carol Dunten, Deputy District Attorney Joey Lucas, the Tribe's Chief of Police, Hines Chief of Police Ryan DeLange, Officer Brian Williams, and Shane Otley with alternatives, if needed. The County Court will convene at 1:30 pm to receive the interview committee's recommendation, interview the applicants, and make a final decision.

The Court reviewed and discussed the Harney County Health Department Civil Rights Self-Assessment.

The Court reviewed Water Use requests.

The Court had a lengthy discussion regarding land use regulation and sage grouse. This was a work session only, no decisions were made.

The Court received four (4) bids for IT services. The bids will be reviewed by Judge Grasty, Assessor Ted Tiller, Treasurer Nellie Franklin, and County Clerk Dag Robinson and will provide a recommendation to the Court at a later date.

### **CORRESPONDENCE TO REVIEW**

None

### **LATE ITEMS**

Derrin "Dag" Robinson, County Clerk, provided an update on the Measure 92 recount which took place on December 2, 2014. The results changed the count from two (2) "no" votes to "yes" votes. One was an error in duplication during the pre-inspection process and the other was an indeterminate reading from the tally machine.

### **SCHEDULING**

Next County Court meeting will be December 17, 2014, at 10 am.

### **GENERAL DELIBERATION BY THE COURT (no decisions will be made)**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Johnston  
Deputy Clerk