



***In the County Court of the State of Oregon for Harney County  
Minutes of the County Court Session***

***April 5, 2017***

The Harney County Court convened in Judge Pete Runnel's office at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, April 5, 2017. Members attending were Judge Pete Runnels, Commissioner Mark Owens, and Commissioner Patty Dorroh. Also attending were Eric Drushella, Roadmaster; Deanna Atwell, Finance/HR Manager; Nellie Franklin, Treasurer; Rick Paul, Fair Manager; Brandon McMullen, Planning Director; Shana Withee, Extension Service; and Tammy Johnston, Deputy Clerk.

Also attending were Cara Wilber, Oster Professional Group; Samantha White, Burns Times Herald; Karen Moon, Watershed Council; Barbara Cannady, Barb Kull, Ruthie Miller, Herb Vloedman, Chuck Lynde, Ken and Kathy Brinkley, and Angela Ketcher.

**Work Session 9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.**

**Voucher Approval**

The Court reviewed accounts payables, signed checks, and approved the vouchers by Court signature.

Judge Runnels led all in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes**

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to approve the minutes from the March 22, 2017 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Owens, with no further discussion the Motion carried unanimously.

**Public Comment**

Herb Vloedman discussed the need for a total dollar amount spent by the Court dealing with the recent flooding in Harney County.

Ken and Kathy Brinkley, Chuck Lynde, and Ruthie Miller discussed with the Court the recent flooding in Harney County.

The Court gave an overview of the recent County Court Public Hearing in Drewsey.

## **Old Business**

None

## **New Business**

### **Signing of an Intergovernmental Agreement between the Oregon Department of Transportation and Harney County for Single Trip Permit Authorization**

Commissioner Owens made a Motion to approve the Intergovernmental Agreement between the Oregon Department of Transportation and Harney County for Single Trip Permit Authorization (CJ2017-59), and seconded by Commissioner Dorroh. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

### **10:15 a.m. Cara Wilber, Oster Professional Group, presenting the Audit for Year Ending June 30, 2016**

Cara Wilber, Oster Professional Group, reviewed with the Court the Audit for Year Ending June 30, 2016. Discussion included highlights of the Audit, PERS, auditor opinion, notes on financial statements, over-expenditures, financial statements important for the budgeting process, fund details, and schedule of expenditures and federal awards. There were no findings or issues on this Audit.

### **Appointment of Fair Board Members**

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Karen Moon and Angie Ketscher to the Harney County Fair Board, and seconded by Commissioner Owens. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously. Rick Paul will provide the Court with a current list of all Fair Board members and terms of their appointments.

### **Ordinance #2017-78, Harney County Comprehensive Plan Amendment**

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to approve Ordinance #2017-78 Harney County Comprehensive Plan Amendment, first reading, to be read by title only and seconded by Commissioner Owens. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

### **Resolution #2017-05 in the Matter of the Planning Department Fee Schedule**

Commissioner Owens made a Motion to approve Resolution #2017-05 in the Matter of Amending the Planning Department Fee Schedule to Defray Costs Associated with Processing of Applications for Commercial Energy Generation Facilities (CJ2017-58), and seconded by Commissioner Dorroh. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

### **11:00 a.m. Signing of the annual Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon State University Extension Service**

Judge Runnels made a Motion to approve the annual Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon State University Extension Service, and seconded by Commissioner Dorroh. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #2017-06 in the Matter of Supporting a Transportation Funding Package in the 2017 Legislative Session

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to approve Resolution #2017-06 in the Matter of Supporting a Transportation Funding Package in the 2017 Legislative Session (CJ2017-57), and seconded by Commissioner Owens. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

11:30 a.m. Executive Session as authorized by ORS 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

Review of Water Use Requests

**Correspondence**

Forest Service, Prairie City Ranger District – Timber sale

**Scheduling**

Public Hearing/Work Session, focus on services to children and families in Harney County – Courthouse, April 12 from 5-7 p.m.

Public Hearing in Crane on May 10, 5:30 -7 p.m.

Public Hearing in Fields on May 18, 5:30 -7 p.m.

Budget Hearings – April 12 starting at 1 p.m.; April 13 and May 4 starting at 10:00 a.m. and May 10 starting at 10:30 a.m.

**Late Items**

**General Deliberation by the Court (no decisions will be made)**

**For the Record**

**Adjournment**

The Court recessed at 11:30 a.m. for Executive Session and reconvened at 11:46 a.m. There being no further discussion, the Court adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Johnston  
Deputy Clerk