



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

March 14, 2018

The Harney County Court convened in County Court Chamber at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Members attending were Judge Pete Runnels, Commissioner Patty Dorroh, and Commissioner Mark Owens attending via telephone. Also in attendance were Tammy Johnston, Deputy County Clerk; Eric Drushella, Warren Whitney, and Debbie Cronin, Road Department; Jim Campbell, Weed Department; Roger Stampke, Community Corrections; and Tim Colahan, County Counsel;

Public attending was Tara Thissell, BLM; and Samantha White, Burns Times Herald; Rick Paul, Lynn McClintock, Laurie O'Connor, Barbara Cannady, Barb Kull, Paul Hyland, and Julie Weikel.

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 February 21, 2018, County Court session. Judge Runnels seconded the Motion, with no further discussion the Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

Judge Runnels discussed the ongoing Flood Group meetings.

New Business

Quarterly Report

Employee Recognition Service Awards to include:

Tim Colahan, 30 years

Roger Stampke, 10 years

Warren Whitney, 5 years

Debbie Cronin, 5 years

Ernie Starbuck, 15 years

David D. Glerup, 10 years

Frank Cronin, 5 years

John Robertson, 10 years

Todd Higgins, 15 years

Appointment of Budget Board Member

The Court received two (2) letters of interest from Rick Paul and Holly Smith regarding the open position on the Harney County Budget Board. Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Holly Smith to the Harney County Budget Board and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Airport Committee Member

Judge Runnels made a Motion to appoint Commissioner Dorroh to the Burns Airport Committee and the Motion was seconded by Commissioner Dorroh. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Jeni Stevens to EOCCO Local LCAC

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Jeni Stevens to the EOCCO LCAC, and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Eastern Oregon Workforce Board Appointment – Terri Hellbusch

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Terri Hellbusch to the Eastern Oregon Workforce Board and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Appointment of Board Member to Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee (EMSAC)

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Judge Pete Runnels to the EMSAC and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Steens Mountain Advisory Council (SMAC) Appointment of Two Positions: Private Landowner, Ruth Danielson, and Permittee, Fred Otley

Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to appoint Ruth Danielson and Fred Otley to the SMAC and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Amending Resolution #2018-4 Policies for the Sale of Harney County Owned Land

Judge Runnels advised the Court of the need to amend Resolution #2018-04 to reflect a change on page one (1) to reflect three policies instead of two, as previously written. Commissioner Dorroh made a Motion to approve the amendment to Resolution #2018-04 (CJ2018-38) and the Motion was seconded by Judge Runnels. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Water Use Requests

11:30-12:00 p.m. Executive Session 2015 ORS 192.660(2)(d)(h). To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. 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.

Correspondence

BLM-Vale District, Scoping and a Notice of Intent (NOI)

Robert Maxwell, Letters from teacher and students at Slater Elementary School

Scheduling

Harney County Court scheduled Rural Meetings:

Drewsey	April 3, 2018
Fields	April 30, 2018
Riley	May 16, 2018

Late Items

None

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

None

For the Record

None

Adjournment

County Court recessed at 10:30 a.m. The Court reconvened for Executive Session at 11:30 a.m. and adjourned at 12:00 p.m. with no decisions made. There being no further business, County Court adjourned at 12:05 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy S. Johnston

Deputy County Clerk