



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

July 18, 2018

The Harney County Court convened in County Court Chamber at 9:15 a.m. on Wednesday, July 18, 2018. Members attending were Judge Pete Runnels, Commissioner Patty Dorroh, and Commissioner Mark Owens. Also in attendance were Tammy Johnston, Deputy Clerk; Guy McKay, Veterans Services Officer; and Brandon McMullen, Harney County Planning.

Public attending was Lynn McClintock, Harney Park & Rec; Rob Sharp, Lisa Grant, and Holly Orr, BLM; Samantha White, Burns Times Herald; Christoph Heinzer, Develosol; Becky Cunningham, Krissy Matterson, and Diane Rappaport, Rimrock Recycling; Dauna Wensenk, City of Burns; Rick Paul, Darlene Wingfield, Paul Hyland, and Janet Bailey.

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 July 5, 2018, County Court session and Commissioner Owens seconded the Motion. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment

Guy McKay, Harney County Veterans Services, gave the Court an update on upcoming events including participation during the Harney County Fair, Stand Down at the Elks on September 15, 2018, and event for veterans to buddy up and give support on September 22, 2018. He will be attending County Court on August 1, 2018, to give more details and provide the quarterly report. Commissioner Dorroh discussed a meeting at the Elks on July 27, 2018, at 12:00 p.m.

Darlene Mayfield discussed ongoing safety and access issues regarding the Embree bridge. Judge Runnels will discuss the issues with Eric Drushella, Harney County Roadmaster, to address these concerns.

Old Business

None

New Business

10:15 a.m. – Lisa Grant, BLM Environmental Assessment Briefing

Lisa Grant, Rob Sharp, and Holly Orr, BLM, discussed the Spay Feasibility and On-Range Behavioral Outcomes Assessment and Warm Springs HMA Population Management Plan.

10:30 a.m. – Christoph Heinzer, Solar FILOT and access/right-of-way issues related to Starvation Ridge Solar Farm

Christoph Heinzer, Develosol, discussed the current status of solar farms in Harney County. The issues discussed included taxes and access/right-of-ways. The Court suggested scheduling a meeting with solar company representative(s), Ted Tiller, Harney County Assessor/Tax Collector, and a member of County Court to discuss the tax issue (PILT-Payment in Lieu of Taxes). There was further discussion regarding legal access to the proposed property and the ODOT application. The Court will make contact with the Harney County Roadmaster, Eric Drushella, and agreed to write a letter of support of the solar venture if needed. The Court suggested scheduling a meeting with the solar company to discuss a plan of action prior to contacting ODOT.

11:10 a.m. – Becky Cunningham, Rimrock Recycling

Becky Cunningham, Krissy Matterson, and Diane Rappaport of Rimrock Recycling discussed the current financial status of the recycling center. They discussed current

grant applications, alternative funding ideas such as can/bottle collection and fee for drop off. Commissioner Owens requested a short-term business plan before making any decision to provide funding from Harney County. The Court voiced their support of Rimrock Recycling and their recycling efforts in Harney County. The current Rimrock Recycling board members are Becky Cunningham, Krissy Matterson, Diane Rappaport, Eddie Brown and Liz Taylor.

Approval of Resolution #2018-12, Section 3 HUD

Commissioner Owens made a Motion to approve Resolution #2018-12 (CJ2018-89) In the Matter of a Resolution Amending the County of Harney Section 3 Plan to Comply with 24 DFR, Part 135 of HUD SEC 3, and Commissioner Dorroh seconded the Motion. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Resolution #2018-13, Adoption of a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan

Commissioner Owens made a Motion to approve Resolution #2018-13 (CJ2018-88) In the Matter of Authorizing the Adoption of a Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan and Commissioner Dorroh seconded the Motion. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Sharon Scone, Community Action Council (CAC)

Commissioner Owens made a motion to approve the appointment of Sharon Scone to the Community in Action Council (CAC), and Judge Runnels seconded the Motion. With no further discussion, the Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Water Use Requests

Correspondence

Harney Basin Quarterly & Synoptic Well Owners & Interested Parties

Scheduling

Harney County Court meeting, August 1, 2018, at 9:15 a.m.

Discuss scheduling for August 15, 2018, Harney County Court meeting. Harney County Court meeting changed to August 21, 2018, at 9:15 a.m.

Late Items

Duana Wensenk, Burns City Manager, asked for assistance regarding jet fuel delivery to the Burns Municipal Airport. The problem seems to be due to all the wildfires and the hours of service regulations for the fuel truck drivers. Ms. Wensenk asked for information on how to request a declaration of emergency in order to lift the mandatory off-duty time so the drivers can deliver the needed jet fuel. The Court suggested

contacting Senator Bentz and Representative Findley. The Court also will help compose the emergency declaration if needed.

Deliberation by the Court (no decisions will be made)

For the Record

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tammy Johnston

Deputy Clerk