

MINUTES
UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of August 24, 2016
9:00 a.m., Room 130, Umatilla County Courthouse
Pendleton, Oregon

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Commissioners Present: Vice-Chair Larry Givens and Commissioner Bill Elfering
Absent: Chair George Murdock

County Counsel: Doug Olsen

Members and Guests Present: Rebecca (Place) Kelly, Rocksolid Administrator; Brenda Coombs, Rock It LLC H.R.; Kim Weissenfluh, Community Justice Youth Services and Developmental Disability Program Manager; David Konen, Koncrete Industries Inc. President/CEO

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. Vice-Chair Larry Givens welcomed all.

Pledge of Allegiance. Led by Commissioner Givens.

Vice-Chair Givens reminded those present that the meeting is a public forum. It is being video and audio recorded and minutes will be taken. Comments will become part of the meeting record. If persons wish to speak before the Board, please come to the podium, identify yourself and state where you live for the record.

Awards/Recognitions/Correspondence. Commissioner Elfering read a letter from Pendleton Round-Up Community Development Commission thank you for County support of funding request on the UAS test range at Pendleton Airport for a grant application for radar. The grant was unsuccessful, but appreciation was expressed. Secondly, he read a letter to the Sheriff’s Office from Kari Roberts, Dispatcher. She has worked 13 years for the County. Her husband as a Senior Deputy recently responded as first on scene at a motor vehicle accident where there was a fatality. She expressed appreciation to all employees who have been wonderful in their support and caring of her and her family.

Minutes of Previous Meeting. Commissioner Elfering moved to approve minutes of 8/3/16, 8/16/16 and 8/17/16 Board of Commissioner meetings. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.

Additions to Agenda. Doug Olsen noted addition of item, Total Burn Ban, due to increased smoke from many other fires.

Public Comments. None.

Presentations: None.

Business Items

1. **Land Use Hearing – Aylett Application.** Vice-Chair Givens called the public hearing to order at 9:06 a.m. and asked for staff report on the Rock It LLC Aggregate Site, Amendments #T-16-066 and #Z-308-66. Carol Johnson, Planning Department, reported the applicant and owner is Rock

It LLC, Wade Aylett. She referred to location map (page 4 in the Board packets and projected on the monitors). In 2011, the Board approved the findings for the site where processing was to be in Morrow County at that time. The reason for the amendment now comes with the request to add processing by placing of batch plant. Since 2011, the Depot property has been moving to more industrial and other uses since closure. ODOT performed an Interchange Management Plan on the south side of the Depot, which includes this property within the study area. As a result of being within the area of the management plan, a traffic impact study is required for this type of application. Staff found two options to deal with the traffic impact study. (1) To request the applicant to provide a traffic study or (2) to waive traffic study due to low volume of traffic and perhaps include a condition about limiting traffic.

Regarding access roads, the main access is a private road, Gun Club Lane, via Ordnance Road, County Road No. 1323 (paved). Regarding the permit, Ms. Johnson advised it was permitted for a mining site in 2011. Now, processing is requested for the east side of the area.

Vice-Chair Givens asked for proponents to testify. Rebecca Kelly, 77258 County line Road Hermiston. Mining is on the Umatilla County site and processing is in Morrow County, but now the business needs to move processing to Umatilla County for efficiency. Probably there will be no more traffic with this addition/change; they are moving to where resources are on the property. There was a small concrete batch plant at one time. Concrete operation will begin with this amendment.

Vice-Chair Givens asked for any in opposition. None were heard. He asked for any state agencies to comment. None were heard. He closed the hearing at 9:16 a.m. for deliberation. Commissioner Elfering asked Ms. Johnson about the choices. Recommendation is to waive the traffic study to include a condition to protect the County in case traffic picks up depending on a big job. He felt the Board should determine a finite number of trucks. He asked the applicants about traffic.

Dave Konen, Koncrete Industries Inc., Walla Walla Washington advised he operated the batch plant in Morrow County and he has other batch plants at work sites. This project would be more specific, but with option to operate and supplement smaller loads/day. As a cap for maximum, he suggested 50 trucks/day. He does not foresee that, but it depends on the growth of the market. This is a viable source and as other aggregate sites diminish, the processing facility can handle the need. This site is currently being used to haul to Walla Walla (8-10 loads/day and also loads to the dairy). Discussion about other batch plants, general impact to highway.

Ms. Johnson referred to pages 23-24, traffic impact study. Vice-Chair Givens suggested a cap of 20 or 25 trucks/day. Ms. Johnson advised if a traffic count is triggered, notification would probably be by the applicant. Traffic studies are performed by an engineer with many factors as well as projections. Commissioner Elfering concurred with the suggested cap of 25 trucks that would allow the business to operate. **Commissioner Elfering moved to waive the condition of a possible traffic study and to cap traffic at 25 trucks per day. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0. Motion to approve the amendment by Commissioner Elfering. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**

2. Purchase of Vehicle for A&T. Mr. Olsen presented. The request for Assessment & Taxation is to issues bids for a smaller SUV through the Fleet Management Plan. The department had a request last year for a passenger car. **Commissioner Elfering moved to authorize a Request For Proposals for a smaller sized SUV. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
3. Purchase of Health Education Curriculum Grant. Mr. Olsen advised a Wildhorse grant was approve for Wellness Hub Health Education. SPArC curriculum is for K-12th grade. In order for the grant to be awarded, the curriculum needs to be approved. Commissioner Elfering noted he read the curriculum and lesson plans and feels there is sensitivity to all. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve purchasing the Health Education curriculum with Wildhorse grant funds in the amount of \$8,013.99. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
4. Department Ordinance Amendment. Mr. Olsen advised this is part of reorganization, to set Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities program on its own and to report directly to the Board of Commissioners. Community Justice is also requesting “Youth Services” Division be changed back to “Juvenile” Division. The action is necessary to meet state compliance and is in line with the requirements for spending proper budget. Vice-Chair Givens then opened the public hearing at 9:33 a.m. and ask for public testimony. None were heard. He closed the hearing at 9:34 a.m. Mr. Olsen noted action can be done in one hearing with no objections. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve/adopt Ordinance No. 2016-09. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
5. CDDP & Youth Services Division. Mr. Olsen advised this is a continuation of the previous item. Kim Weissenfluh will be appointed to the position of Director/ Program Manager. In addition, the Office Manager will divide her time between CDDP & Youth Services (Juvenile). Kim Weissenfluh, Community Justice/Youth Services Division and CDDP reported. The proposal makes CDDP in line with foster-care requirements (in the past only licensing adult) but with the change would add ability for certification of youth. The regional agency no longer handles the youth portion, thus it is proposed to come back to the County. There is need for recruitment and retention as there is not sufficient staff to handle workload with added rules and regulations instituted in July. Over the last few years, caseload sizes in Youth Services have decreased due to strategic planning and changes; supervision of youth services may need further reduction. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve the proposal. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.** It was clarified CDDP will report to the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Elfering suggested Commissioner Murdock be appointed as liaison since it is in his expertise. Juvenile Division will remain with Community Justice.
6. Payable to Sheets Painting LLC. This project was previously approved by the Board. Mr. Olsen advised due to an error in the request, an additional piece was not included and requires approval for the full amount of \$16,189. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve the \$16,189 payable to Sheets Painting LLC. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
7. Temporary Burn Ban. Vice-Chair Givens noted due to severe smoke in the northern county area from Washington and due to the disaster declaration by Governor Inslee, Gina Miller, Code Enforcement, suggested including agriculture burning in the burn ban. He and Mr. Olsen have talked to Capt. Kathy Lieuallen who agreed for health reasons and weather to recommend the burn ban. Mr. Olsen noted the request is to implement a temporary total burn ban and maybe try

to have a meeting next week to stop the ban or extend it based on up to date information. The ban would be for a 7-day period. Today is a burn day after 10 a.m.; the ban can go into effect at midnight. Discussion about where the smoke is mainly affecting our county, 7- day period, timing of burn ban, and no burning during Walla Walla's Fair over Labor Day weekend. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve implementing total temporary burn ban for 7 days. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. To clarify, the ban would be in effect through midnight, August 31.** In addition, Mr. Olsen advised it could be lifted earlier or extended. **Carried, 2-0.**

There was no executive session.

Commissioner Reports. Vice-Chair Givens met with 911 Dispatchers due to a difficult couple of weeks expressing appreciation for their commitments. There have been several incidents recently that are weighing on dispatchers.

He and Commissioner Elfering will meet in the afternoon with Melissa Drugge, Biz Oregon, regarding Noble Panels.

He attended Hermiston Chamber's Business 2 Business presentation about Civilian Active Shooters.

He has been asked to attend AOC District meetings, but his schedule will not permit attending more than a couple. AOC Board meeting is on September 12 in Salem.

On the 1st of October, there is a WIR Reception that AOC is hosting in Medford.

Commissioner Elfering met with East Side Mayors yesterday, attended by Pendleton, Pilot Rock and Athena. They talked about issues and working together to bring more electrical power into Pendleton – it is sorely needed for economic development. Another idea discussed is to enter into contractual relationship for a grant writer for economic development aimed more toward smaller communities, but Pendleton is interested as well.

Vice-Chair Givens talked about the new Fire District #1 – formed effective 7/1. He noted some interest in the north county – Helix, Athena-Weston areas for a similar idea.

Commissioner Elfering noted he is out of the office on vacation and attending a leadership conference.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:58 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Slatt,

Executive Secretary, Umatilla County Board of Commissioners