

MINUTES
UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of February 6, 2019
9:00 a.m., Room 130, Umatilla County Courthouse
Pendleton, Oregon

Commissioners Present: Chair Bill Elfering, Vice-Chair George Murdock and Commissioner John Shafer

County Counsel: Doug Olsen

Members and Guests Present: Robert Pahl, County CFO; Matt Kenny, County Public Works Surveyor; Gina Miller, County Planning Department; Jennifer Blake, County HR Director; Tierney Dutcher, Planning Department; Elizabeth Ridley, Planning Department; Sheriff Terry Rowan; Joe Fiumara, UCo Health Director; Eric Clanton, State DEQ; Phil Wright, East Oregonian

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chair Elfering. He 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 by coming to the microphone in order to be heard on the record. He noted there is a point for public input before business items for other than agenda items.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Commissioner Murdock.

Awards/Correspondence/Recognition. Sheriff Rowan came forward to recognize John Shafer’s 17 years of service in Dispatch at the UCSO. He presented now Commissioner Shafer with a Sheriff’s Badge with his DPSST number engraved commemorating his retirement. Thank you for your service. A picture was taken.

Additions to agenda – none. However, there will be an Executive Session.

Minutes. Commissioner Murdock moved to approve the minutes of the meetings of 11/28/18, 12/5/18, and 12/19/18. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Public comments – none.

1. **Hazardous Waste Collection Event Report.** Gina Miller, Planning Department and coordinator, presented. She introduced Eric Clanton, DEQ local representative. The County, in partnership with the City of Pendleton, held the collection event on 9/21/18. She made a PowerPoint presentation and reported DEQ paid between \$65,000-\$80,000 to Clean Harbor for the event. About 12 tons of hazardous waste was collected and kept out of landfills. Mr. Clanton added the event was the most successful in Oregon in 2018 and will be used as a model in the future. Great job! Ms. Miller noted the next event will be in 2020 (in Hermiston).

2. **Road Vacation Reports**
 - a. **Tamarack Avenue/Public Road.** Mr. Olsen presented. The county received a petition for vacation of Tamarack Avenue along with adjacent right of way. The petition has been reviewed by staff

and the next matter is to conduct a public hearing on the matter. **Commissioner Murdock moved to set the hearing for 3/13/19 and adopt Order No. RD2019-05. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.**

- b. Public Road - Livestock/Westland Area. Matt Kenny, Public Works Surveyor, reported. The county received a petition from all of the adjoining property owners to vacate a Public Road. Since all property owners signed the petition, a public hearing is not necessary. He elaborated about location and went through photos (projected on monitors). Vacation would benefit the public (back to tax rolls). He talked about current off-set requirements of ODOT adding public right of way wouldn't be in conjunction with those plans. Mr. Olsen noted the original intent was to develop to the west and the realigned Livestock Road would use this right of way and have a 4-way stop. The nature of development in the area has made that plan no longer desirable and there really is not any need for this Public Road. **Commissioner Shafer moved to adopt Order No. RD2019-06 Seconded by Commissioner Murdock. Carried, 3-0.**
3. Fingerprinting Equipment. Mr. Olsen presented. He noted that Lt. Sterrin Holcomb (Sheriff's Office) has been integral in moving this forward. The courts need replacement of two pieces of finger printing equipment (at the courthouse and at Stafford Hansell Government Center). This was originally purchased through funding by the courts, but has been maintained by the County. There is state funding for replacement, but with very tight schedule. The County can accommodate the timing with Board approval. The funding is available with a 10% match from county (approximately \$2,500 per /unit). Once purchased, the county will have to maintain it per current agreement. This is unanticipated in the budget. The purchase of the equipment and agreement with the state are before the Board for approval. Commissioner Murdock applauded Lt. Holcomb for her hard work. He added Roy Blaine, Trial Court Administrator, had contacted him and, in turn, he spoke to Robert Pahl, who advised \$5,000 is available. **Commissioner Shafer moved to adopt Order No. BCC2019-009. Seconded by Commissioner Murdock. Carried, 3-0.**
4. Compensation Review Committee. Mr. Olsen presented. The annual appointment of the Compensation Review Committee is before the Board for approval. Two members are holdovers (Tracy Hamby and Scott Sager), but one new member is needed. George Anderson is willing to serve and is recommended for appointment. The committee makes recommendations to the Budget Committee. **Commissioner Murdock moved to adopt Order No. BCC 2019-007. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.**
5. Human Services Position. Jennifer Blake, Human Resources Director, presented for Amy Ashton-Williams. Due to budget constraints in the past, a clinician position was reduced to .8 FTE. The individual currently has a caseload of 55. The request is to change the position back up to 1.0 FTE. Budget is available. There was more discussion about budget. She pointed out this increase for the clinician will greatly reduce wait time for clients. **Commissioner Shafer moved to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Murdock. Carried, 3-0.**
6. Wolf Committee – Deterrent Payments. Commissioner Murdock declared a conflict. Commissioner Shafer attended a recent committee meeting – they do great work and congratulations on a job well done. The committee made recommendations on the payments to reimburse producers for non-lethal deterrent costs. **Commissioner Shafer moved to adopt Order No. BCC2019-007 (granting total awards of \$13,516.23). Seconded by Chair Elfering. Commissioner Murdock abstained. Carried, 2-0.**
7. Supplemental Budgets. Public hearing called to order at 9:38 a.m. by Chair Elfering. Robert Pahl, CFO, presented. There are six supplemental budgets, Orders numbers: 2019-47 (Public Health – Home Visit Program) – decrease in State Revenue \$95,000; increases in Federal Revenue of \$60,000; in Personnel

Services of \$39,000; decrease in Materials & Services of \$35,999 and increase in Contingency of \$38,001. 2019-48 (Public Health-Communicable Disease) – increases in Local Revenue of \$5,200, in State Revenue of \$16,916 in Personnel Services of \$11,716 and in Materials & Services of \$10,0400. 2019-49 (Public Health-Health Department) – increases in Local Revenue of \$10,000, in State Revenue of \$81,680, in Personnel Services of \$53,453 and in Materials & Services of \$38,227. 2019-51 (STIF Program) – increase in State Revenue of \$400,000 and in Materials & Services of \$400,000. 2019-53 (Wellness Hubs) – increases in State Revenue of \$25,000 and in Materials & Services of \$25,000. 2019-54 (Septic) – increases in Local Revenue of \$25,000 and in Materials & Services of \$25,000. Chair Elfering asked any in favor? None. Any opposed? None. Public agencies? None. He closed the public hearing at 9:41 a.m.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-47. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-48. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-49. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-51. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-53. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-54. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

8. Budget Transfers. Mr. Pahl presented. There are two requests for budget transfers. 2019-50 (Public Health – Immunizations) – decrease in Personnel Services of \$1,850 and increase in Materials & Services of \$1,850. 2019-52 (School Based Health Center) – decrease in Personnel Services of \$1,583 and increase in Materials & Services of \$1,583.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-50. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

Commissioner Murdock moved to approve Order No. Budget 2019-52. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer. Carried, 3-0.

9. Commute Authorization. Mr. Olsen presented. This is for annual review and approval of commute in county-owned vehicles for law enforcement employees; it is the same as 2018. **Commissioner Shafer moved to adopt Order No. BCC2019-005. Seconded by Commissioner Murdock. Carried, 3-0.**

10. Commute Authorization. Mr. Olsen presented. This is for non-law enforcement employees; for emergencies. There are no changes by affected departments – it is the same as 2018. **Commissioner Shafer moved to approve Order No. BCC2019-006. Seconded by Commissioner Murdock. Carried, 3-0.**

10. HB2444 Support. Chair Elfering presented. Representative Baretto is sponsoring a bill in support of FFA and educators. This is a great and important program to young people (i.e. interview skills). He read the resolution, Order No. BCC2019-010, supporting passage of HB 2444 adding the Board of Commissioners is in support of it. Commissioner Murdock noted he is a state FFA officer and also supports the bill. He also talked about County management training regarding work ethic and added other things about young

people coming into the work force. It was noted FFA youth are more prepared. **Commissioner Murdock moved to adopt Order No. BCC 2019-010. Seconded by Commissioner Shafer.** He noted an EO article from early February about this issue and encouraged reading it. **Carried, 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m. for Executive Session per ORS 192.660 (employment) and recessed to Room 121, the Commissioners' office.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Slatt

Executive Secretary Umatilla County Board of Commissioners