

Morrow County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
July 3, 2019
Bartholomew Building Upper Conference Room
Heppner, Oregon

Present

Chair Jim Doherty	Kate Knop, Finance Director
Commissioner Melissa Lindsay	Richard Tovey, County Counsel
Commissioner Don Russell	Karmen Carlson, Human Resources Director
Darrell J. Green, Administrator	Roberta Lutcher, Executive Assistant

Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance: 9:02 a.m.

City & Citizen Comments: No comments

Open Agenda: No items

Consent Calendar

Commissioner Lindsay requested to remove the Jail Use Agreement with Umatilla County.

Commissioner Russell moved to approve the following items in the Consent Calendar:

- 1. Accounts Payable, July 5th, \$775,785.58. Two Payroll Payables, June 18th, \$183,623.91 & June 24th, \$191,147.09*
- 2. Minutes: June 5th*
- 3. Reclassification Appeal Committee Appointments:
Elected Representatives (terms to be July 3, 2019 through December 31, 2019): Gayle Gutierrez; Mike Gorman, Alternate
Management Representatives (terms to be July 3, 2019 through December 31, 2020): Matt Scrivner; Carla McLane, Alternate
Union Representatives (terms to be July 3, 2019 through December 31, 2021): Kandy Boyd (General); Kelly Jones (Road), Alternate; Aaron Haak (Teamsters), Alternate*
- 4. Twelfth Amendment to Oregon Health Authority 2017-2019 Intergovernmental Agreement #154124 for the Financing of Public Health Services, and authorize Chair Doherty to sign on behalf of the County*
- 5. Purchase Pre-Authorization Request, District Attorney's Office, 2019 Jeep Grand Cherokee Laredo 4x4, \$26,990 from Power Chrysler Jeep Dodge (state bid contract holder), Newport, Oregon; includes delivery to Heppner; and authorize the Administrator to sign*
- 6. Amendment to the Contract with Community Counseling Solutions, Inc., (as the County's contracted provider of mental health, developmental disability and alcohol and drug abuse treatment services) extending the contract an additional 90 days; effective date of the extension is June 30, 2019*
- 7. Approval for The Loop to purchase 14 passenger bus from Creative Bus Sales, Canby, Oregon, using Oregon Department of Transportation grant funds, \$121,228*

8. *Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Ione School District and the Sheriff's Office for a School Resource Officer for the 2018-2019 School Year*
 9. *Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Ione School District and the Sheriff's Office for a School Resource Officer for the 2019-2020 School Year*
 10. *Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Morrow County School District and the Sheriff's Office for a School Resource Officer in Irrigon (40 hours per week), and a School Resource Officer in Heppner (20 hours per week) for the 2018-2019 School Year*
 11. *Law Enforcement Services Agreement with the Morrow County School District and the Sheriff's Office for a School Resource Officer in Irrigon (40 hours per week), and a School Resource Officer in Heppner (20 hours per week) for the 2019-2020 School Year*
 12. *Personal/Professional Services Contract, Counseling Services, between Morrow County (Sheriff's Office) and Community Counseling Services, Inc.; effective July 1, 2018 for one year; amount \$24,000*
 13. *Personal/Professional Services Contract, Counseling Services, between Morrow County (Sheriff's Office) and Community Counseling Services, Inc.; effective July 1, 2019 for one year; amount \$24,000*
- Commissioner Lindsay seconded. Unanimous approval.*

Jail Use Agreement

Commissioner Lindsay asked about the increase in the number of beds contracted with Umatilla County. Sheriff Ken Matlack explained it increased from 17 to 20 per day, which included four beds for Parole & Probation. Another change in the contract, he said, was the ability to be reimbursed if the number of beds per day falls below 20. Brief discussion.

Commissioner Russell moved to approve the Jail Use Agreement with Umatilla County, effective July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020; 20 daily beds available for Morrow County inmates at \$60 per day per prisoner; total amount \$438,000. Commissioner Lindsay seconded. Unanimous approval.

Department Reports

Sheriff's Office Monthly Report

Sheriff Matlack

Melissa Ross, Administrative Lieutenant

The Sheriff's Office Monthly Statistics for June were reviewed.

Lt. Ross said code violations continued to increase after assigning a deputy half-time to this task.

Sheriff Matlack added other deputies also work code calls. He said there are plans to bring in a car crusher in October to deal with abandoned and/or junk vehicles. There will be opportunities in both north and south County, he said.

Commissioner Russell said he and Sheriff Matlack have been working on this, and several economic development entities will help pay the cost (Boardman Community Development Association, Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group, and the City of Irrigon).

Legislative Updates

- Chair Doherty said Governor Kate Brown has not given up on Cap & Trade and might explore her executive power options. Commissioner Russell said the Governor and those who supported the Cap & Trade bill had the attitude the people in eastern and rural Oregon were naïve and uneducated and he found that offensive. The bill might be back on the agenda in September, he added.
- Commissioner Russell said House Bill 2329 passed, which means developers can permit smaller renewable energy projects at the county level, instead of going through the lengthier, more costly Energy Facility Siting Council process.

Department Reports

Treasurer's Monthly Report

The written report by Treasurer Gayle Gutierrez was reviewed. Administrator Darrell Green reviewed calendars with the Commissioners to determine dates for a Work Session with Ms. Gutierrez to discuss investment policy and an investment committee.

Business Items

Irrigon Building Update

Mr. Green reported:

- The draft Request for Qualifications for a progressive design-build contractor is being reviewed.
- Discussion took place on the responsibilities of the evaluation committee and when the Board would like updates. The Commissioners decided they want to see the final RFQ before it is released; the evaluation committee will review and evaluate the responses received; and broader decisions, such as budget and project scale, need to come back to the Board.

2020 Census

Mr. Green

Mr. Green said he and Chair Doherty met with Census representatives, who recommended the County form a steering committee that will then establish a Complete Count Committee. The purpose of the Complete County Committee will be to increase awareness of the Census and motivate residents to respond. He suggested the 10-15 member steering committee include himself, the Commissioners, Dirk Dirksen (Morrow County School District Superintendent), the mayors and/or manager of the communities in the County and chambers of commerce representatives. The steering committee will meet in August, he said, followed by a training session in September.

After discussing the numerous implications for accurate population numbers, it was agreed Chair Doherty and Mr. Green will continue to work on the steering committee membership to move the process forward.

Community Counseling Solutions Quarterly Report

Kimberly Lindsay, Executive Director

Ms. Lindsay reviewed a variety of reports for the Commissioners. Other discussion topics included:

- How people access services offered by CCS - Ms. Lindsay said people can call and ask to be seen; they will be assessed as to the urgency of the situation. Kids are seen regardless of ability to pay. Adults with private insurance might be referred to a private provider because CCS doesn't have the capacity to see everyone.
- Chair Doherty referred to the suicide calls listed in the Sheriff's Office Monthly report and asked if suicide-related calls received by CCS are reflected in that report. Ms. Lindsay said the offices coordinate the response to such calls but she was not familiar with the Sheriff's Office report.
- The Morrow County Suicide Response Protocol was reviewed and discussed.

Break: 10:30-10:39 a.m.

Department Reports, continued

Administrator's Monthly Report

Mr. Green reviewed his report.

Fair Office Quarterly Report

Ann Jones, Fair Secretary

Ms. Jones reviewed her report. Discussion took place on the sponsorship funds received that mean free admission to the Fair for everyone all week.

Correspondence

- Portland State University's Population Research Center 2019 Annual Housing Unit Population Survey.
- Information compiled by USDA/Morrow County Wildlife Services regarding the history of predator control on the Bombing Range. The Board decided to draft a letter in support of predator control on the Bombing Range for next week's agenda.

Commissioner Reports

- Commissioner Lindsay said Umatilla County Chair George Murdock submitted the joint Morrow/Umatilla County request to form a new Workforce Development Area. She also reported CAPECO (Community Action Program of East Central Oregon) will appeal the decision by the Eastern Oregon Workforce Board to grant the contract to the Training & Employment Consortium (TEC) that had been held by CAPECO.

- Commissioner Russell attended one of the Energy Facility Siting Council's public hearings in this area regarding the Boardman to Hemingway (B2H) Transmission Line Project. Discussion. Commissioner Russell also discussed meetings with two property owners at the intersection of Wilson Lane and Olson Road to discuss right-of-way acquisition.
- Chair Doherty brought up the idea of offering assistance, if needed, to the Town of Lexington. The Commissioners were concerned about what might happen if the Town doesn't adopt a budget and the impact that could have on the delivery of basic services, such as fresh water to residents. It was decided Commissioner Lindsay will contact the mayor. Chair Doherty also provided an update on the \$10,500 membership dues invoice for the Eastern Oregon Counties Association. In recent years, the membership dues covered the expense of a hired lobbyist, but they recently decided to no longer use the lobbyist. Until EOCA can come up with a full budget and what the dues will go toward, they are asking counties to pay the amount they already budgeted. Chair Doherty suggested \$7,500 but asked that it be put forward as an agenda item.

Signing of documents

Adjourned: 12:00 p.m.