

Morrow County Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes
November 16, 2022
Bartholomew Building Upper Conference Room
Heppner, Oregon

Present In-Person

Roberta Lutcher

Present Via Zoom

Chair Jim Doherty, Commissioner Melissa Lindsay, Commissioner Don Russell, Justin Nelson, Sandi Pointer, Rick Stokoe, Heidi Turrell, Robin Canaday, John Kilkenny, Katie Imes, Kevin Ince, Lisa Pratt, SaBrina Bailey-Cave, Linda Skendzel, Dawn Eynetich

Call to Order: 9:17 a.m.

Consent Calendar

Chair Doherty said he received notice from County Counsel, Justin Nelson, to set aside or pull the June 24th minutes and he'd like to do that and would entertain a motion for the balance.

Commissioner Russell moved to approve the following items in the Consent Calendar, minus the June 24, 2022 minutes:

1. *Accounts Payable and Payroll Payables*
2. *Request to Purchase ADA Minivan for Public Transit – The Loop’s Demand Response Drivers from Creative Bus Sales in the amount of \$78,862; BraunAbility ADA compliant, commercial, rear-entry van built on the Chrysler Voyager*

Commissioner Lindsay seconded. Unanimous approval.

June 24, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes

Mr. Nelson said draft minutes were presented, as normal process, and in reviewing them, based upon current litigation, he thought the more prudent approach would be to rely on the audio from the meeting. He said he drafted a separate set of minutes that were sent out last night. He subsequently spoke to Commissioner Russell who asked to hold them over one more week so he could look at both sets of minutes to see why it was being done differently.

Commissioner Russell said he would make the motion to set it over until next week to talk to County Counsel about why the County would deviate from normal procedure, and to learn about the pros and cons of doing so. He said it seemed like every time there's a deviation from normal procedure, someone thinks, "What are you trying to hide?"

Commissioner Lindsay said she didn't know that it needed a vote, the request could just be by consensus.

Chair Doherty said he always suggested "the more you know, the more you know," and if there was a Commissioner request to gather more information, that's always been his preference. He asked Mr. Nelson if it worked by consensus to set it forward, and Mr. Nelson replied it would.

Adjourned: 9:21 a.m.