



Court Agenda

February 7, 2024
Commissioner's Meeting Room
500 Court Street
Moro, OR 97039
9:00 a.m.

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1.1 ~~9:30 a.m.~~ 9:18 a.m. Mark Coles – Medler Lane

1.2 ~~10:30 a.m.~~ 9:54 a.m. Bryce Coelsch – Tractor Purchase for Fairgrounds

2.0 Action Items

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If necessary, an Executive Session may be held in accordance with 1 ORS 192.660(2)(a) – Employment of Public Officers, Employees & Agents, ORS 192.660(2)(b) – Discipline of Public Officers & Employees, ORS 192.660(2)(e) – Real Property Transactions, ORS 192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection, ORS 192.660(2)(h) - Conferring with Legal Counsel regarding litigation, ORS 192.660(2)(i) – Personnel



**SHERMAN COUNTY COURT
REGULAR SESSION
SHERMAN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM**

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 7, 2024

Opened Court: 9:00 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Joan Bird, Judge Joe Dabulskis, Commissioner Justin Miller, Administrative Assistant Tammi Gaskey

A quorum was present. No media was present.

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1.0 Appointment Schedule

1.1 ~~9:30 a.m.~~ 9:18 a.m. Mark Coles – Medler Lane

Present: Mark Coles, Verna McClennan, Drew Messenger, Brittany Dark, Audrey Ihrke, Brittany Wood, Bryce Coelsch, Shandie Johnson

Mark Coles, Sherman County Road Master, came to County Court to discuss an issue that is happening on Medler Lane. There is a property on Medler Lane where bio solids are hauled to. This winter has been particularly wet and snowy which is causing a lot of mud. When these trucks go out to Medler Lane to dump the bio solids it is super muddy and they end up tracking the bio solids all over the main roads for a half mile or more. This is causing concerns for a few reasons; regular traffic is driving through this mess and bringing it into town and potentially causing issues and if the road crews clean up the roads by pushing the bio solids to the shoulders then it goes on to property that is not permitted for bio solids.

Commissioner Miller has additional information from DEQ for the Medler site and there is a statement in the current contract about nuisance conditions that this situation should fall under. Commissioner Miller stated that through his research he found out that Clean Water Services has the permit to haul bio solids to Medler Lane. Clean Water Services uses subcontractors to spread the bio solids.

Mark stated that the Coordinator from DEQ is not from this region and does not see this site often. The site coordinator is also not from this area and does not see this site often. Both the DEQ Coordinator

and the site coordinator have stated that they will be making more of an effort to keep tabs on the Medler Lane site and that gives Mark more peace of mind about the situation for future issues.

Mark would like to look into a road use agreement or a hazardous road conditions ordinance. Judge Dabulskis stated that he will ask Meredith her thoughts on this issue.

1.2 ~~10:30 a.m.~~ 9:54 a.m. Bryce Coelsch – Tractor Purchase for Fairgrounds

Present: Bryce Coelsch, Audrey Ihrke, Drew Messenger, Verna McClennan, Brittany Dark, Brittany Wood

Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the purchase of a New 2022 John Deere 5075E tractor with new 2023 520M attachment from RDO in Wasco in the amount of \$ 49,568.19 for the Fairgrounds.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Bryce stated that the final inspection for the new fair building has not been finalized but they are still able to use the facility to hold activities.

Some of the near future activities that are already scheduled include:

- Bull riding in February
- Individual riding in the evenings
- Vet clinics once a month by Dr. Kendra
- Rodeo in April

Betsy von Borstel is lead on the demolition of the swine and horse buildings. Pat Powell was the winning bid at \$28,000 to tear down and do clean-up of the swine and horse buildings.

2.0 Action Items

2.1 Justice Reinvestment Grant 2023-2025

Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the Justice Reinvestment Grant for 2023-2025 in the amount not to exceed \$96,656 and authorize Judge Dabulskis to sign.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.2 Website Clean-Up

Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Commissioner Bird, to authorize ProudCity to clean-up the Sherman County website for a cost of \$500.

Vote: 3-0
Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird
No: 0
Abstain: 0

2.3 Justice Court Pro-Tem

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to authorize Mia R. Moore to act as Sherman County Justice of the Peace Pro Tem from January 1, 2024, through December 31, 2024 and authorize County Court to sign.

Vote: 3-0
Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird
No: 0
Abstain: 0

2.4 Sheriff's Office Service Contract Amendment 1

Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner Miller, to authorize Amendment 1 of the Sherman County Sheriff's Office Service Contract between the Sheriff's Office and ELSI Legal LLC and authorize Judge Dabulskis to sign.

Vote: 3-0
Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird
No: 0
Abstain: 0

2.5 AOC Dues

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Miller, to authorize payment of AOC 2024 Dues in the amount of \$11,481.58.

Vote: 3-0
Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird
No: 0
Abstain: 0

3.0 Discussion Items

3.1 Spring Programs for Older Adults – OSU Extension

Cindy Brown, OSU Extension Program Coordinator, sent County Court a report with an overview of programs for older adults.

- Seed to Supper curriculum – evenings in Wasco and daytime in Grass Valley
- Cindy is eligible to get trained on the Strong People Progressive Strength Training Program
- GOHBI classes
- Meal Prep classes

- Alzheimer's classes

3.2 February 25, 2024 Sherman County will be 135 years old. Founded 2/25/1889

Informational Only. Sherman County will be 135 years old on February 25, 2024.

3.3 Commissioner Reports and updates

Judge Dabulskis – Attended an AOC Courthouse Grant meeting; a Frontier Telenet meeting; a NORCOR meeting; a AOC Natural Resources meeting; a Health and Human Services meeting, a AOC Safety meeting; a AOC Board of Directors; a AOC Membership meetings; a Homeland Security meeting; and a Caucus Conference Call.

Judge Dabulskis stated that Emergency Services received a grant from TC Energy for 11 AED's to put in places around the county and the AED's have arrived and are being installed.

Judge Dabulskis stated that he is getting quotes for phase 2 on property here in Moro that is being considered for a future housing project.

Phase 1 of the resiliency project at the school is complete and a draft of the report is complete. The next step is to apply for funding for the next phase of project.

Commissioner Miller – Attended a Fair board meeting; a LJDACT meeting; and a Weed Board meeting.

Commissioner Miller stated that he has spent a lot of time on the phone with residents and also with DEQ and Clean Water Services trying to get figure out the problem, research contract and get resolution.

Commissioner Bird – Attended a meeting with Executive Director of Mid-Columbia Community Action Council; a Mid-Columbia Housing meeting; a Senior Advising Council meeting; a Mid-Columbia Community Action Council full board meeting; met with Eric Desmarias from Clenera; Mid-Columbia Community Action Council Leadership Team meeting; Prevention meeting; met with representatives from North Central Public Health and Wasco County regarding the NCPHD IGA.

Commissioner Bird checked in with Brittany Wood from the City of Moro to see how the grant process was going for getting help repairing their water tank leak. Brittany stated that the grant process was very slow. Commissioner Bird shared her concerns that the process was taking a long time and the City of Moro needs to get the project completed. She reached out to MCEDD regarding the grant/loan process and it was confirmed that it is not a quick process, but is progressing. The City of Moro realizes, if needed (but not there yet), that they could ask the County for a loan to complete or speed up the project.

3.4 MCEDD letter of support

Add to the February 21, 2024 agenda. County Court needs more information before they are ready to make a decision on writing a letter of support for Gilliam County to join MCEDD.

3.5 ASSET Quote

Commissioner Bird shared a quote for a camera to be installed in the Prevention for a total of \$2,881. County Court would like to know where the funds are coming from to pay for this and then add the subject to the February 21, 2024 agenda.

3.6 Ethos Training

Add to the March 6th agenda to discuss whether the County will pay for Sherman County employees to attend the training or if it will be the responsibility of the department/office to cover the fees. The Ethos Training is \$99 per person.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Claims – January 2024

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the Claims for the month of January 2024, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

5.0 Public Comments:

5.1 County Employee Letter

Judge Dabulskis stated that the heat issues in the County employee letter have been addressed and fixed. Our contractor, Long, came out and replaced parts and fixed issues and the heat seems to be working good. Once we found out about the heat issues, Steve Biagi the Building Maintenance person, went down to the farm store and picked up 8 space heaters to put in offices and bathrooms until Long could get here to fix the heat issues. The heat issues did happen during the ice storm that shut down I84 for a couple days and shut down parts of Hwy 97 on and off for a few days. Traveling to get here from Portland to work on the heat for three consecutive days did have some scheduling barriers for a week or so, but Long kept Sherman County as a priority until they could get here.

Judge Joe Dabulskis reached out to the original company's representative that put in the heating system in the new building to see if the heating system was commissioned. Joe sent the report to Long employees. Joe has also asked Long employees for a list of consumables that we might use often enough to have extras on hand so that we don't have to wait on purchase and delivery times.

6.0 Future Agenda Items:

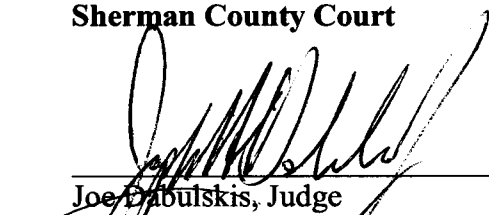
MCEDD Letter of Support – Feb 21

ASSET Quote for Prevention – Feb 21

Ethos Training (payment) – March 6

Being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned at 11:21 a.m.

Sherman County Court



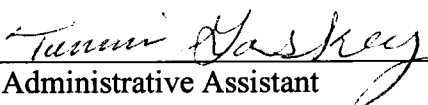
Joe Eabulskis, Judge



Justin Miller, Commissioner



Joan Bird, Commissioner

Attest: 

Administrative Assistant
Tammi Gaskey