



Court Agenda

January 17, 2018

1.0 Appointment Schedule

- 1.1** 9:00 a.m. Jenine McDermid – County Clerk – Quarterly Report
- 1.2** 9:30 a.m. Mike Smith – Frontier TelNet – Request for Proposal Intergovernmental Agreement
- 1.3** 9:45 a.m. Mike Smith, Kimberly Lindsey – Community Counseling Solutions – Diversion and Behavior Rehabilitation Services Project Updates
- 1.4** 10:00 a.m. Wes Owens – Superintendent – Quarterly Report
- 1.5** 10:15 a.m. Jessica Metta – Mid- Columbia Economic Development – Rental Housing
- 1.6** 10:45 a.m. Brad Baird – Anderson Perry & Associates – Biggs Service District Water System Improvements Project
- 1.7** 11:15 a.m. Dan Aldrich – Building Maintenance – Quarterly Report
- 1.8** 11:30 a.m. Georgia Macnab – Planning Director – Quarterly Report
- 1.9** 11:45 a.m. Carol von Borstel – Grass Valley City Administrator; Ryan Nopp – GV Property Development – Housing
- 1.10** 1:00 p.m. Dean Dark – Wildlife Services – Quarterly Report
- 1.11** 1:15 p.m. Shawn Payne – Emergency Services – Quarterly Report
- 1.12** 1:30 p.m. Executive Session in Accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (i) Personnel
- 1.13** 2:00 p.m. Amy Asher – Prevention Coordinator – Quarterly Report

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- 2.1 Nomination – Sherman County Local Community Advisory Council – Amy Asher
- 2.2 Resignation – Sherman County Local Community Advisory Council – Karl Richter, Delores Richter
- 2.3 Resignation – Senior Center Advisory Board – Deanna Padget, Sharon Chard, Susan Lissman
- 2.4 Volunteer – Senior Center – Jeff Judah
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- 2.6 Rental Housing Incentive Program Application
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- 3.1 Workforce Housing
- 3.2 Rental Tables and Chairs
- 3.3 Renewable Energy Work Session
- 3.4 Quarterly Report: Ron McDermid – Justice of the Peace
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- 3.6 Building Codes
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- 4.1 Minutes of December 20, 2017
- 4.2 Minutes of January 3, 2018
- 4.3 Treasurer’s Report – December 2017

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***If necessary, an Executive Session may be held in accordance with: ORS 192.660 (2) (d) Labor Negotiations ORS 192.660 (2) (h) Legal Rights
ORS 192.660 (2) (e) Property ORS 192.660 (2) (i) Personnel*



**SHERMAN COUNTY COURT
REGULAR SESSION
SHERMAN COUNTY HEARINGS ROOM**

MINUTES

January 17, 2018

Opened Court: 9:00 a.m.

Present: Judge Gary Thompson, Commissioner Tom McCoy, Commissioner Joe Dabulskis, Administrative Assistants Kayla von Borstel

A quorum was present. No news media was present.

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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN

Motion by Commissioner Dabulskis, second by Judge Thompson, to approve Ruby Mason, Amy MacNamee, Commissioner McCoy, and Mid-Columbia Economic Development District Staff to comprise the review committee for both the Rental Housing Incentive Program and Housing Rehabilitation Program.

Vote: 2-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 1

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Vote: 3-0

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No: 0

Abstain: 0

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Abstain: 0

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Abstain: 0

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No: 0

Abstain: 0

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No: 0

Abstain: 0

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Vote: 3-0

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No: 0

Abstain: 0

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Abstain: 0

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Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the minutes of December 20, 2017, and minutes of January 3, 2018, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0
Abstain: 0

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2017, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

1.0 Appointment Schedule

1.1 9:00 a.m. Jenine McDermid – County Clerk – Quarterly Report

Present: Larry Hocter, Jenine McDermid

Jenine McDermid, County Clerk, presented her quarterly report. In the current election, 25% of the ballots had been returned, and January 23rd, 2018 was official election night. The new ballot machine had arrived; she was very impressed during machine testing. Jenine stated elections would be held in the Hearings Room due to camera accessibility and as a temporary location due to construction in the main Courthouse. It was reported there was no Board of Property Tax Appeal filed and the new 2017 statues had arrived. There were 478 recordings over the last year; an increase from 278 in 2016. Surveys and patrician plats had 15 filings in 2017 and only 4 filings in 2016. There were 4 probates and 5 small estates filed in the last year.

Jenine informed Judge Thompson previously that House Bill 4007 would increase County recording fees by \$55 per document if passed. Judge Thompson let Jenine know the Association of Counties would remain neutral and not in favor of the bill.

1.2 9:30 a.m. Mike Smith – Frontier TelNet – Request for Proposal Intergovernmental Agreement

Present: Mike Smith, Larry Hocter, Roger Whitley, Wes Owens, Kimberly Lindsey

Mike Smith, Frontier TelNet, presented a brief update on the grant through the State for Sherman County Fiber. Mike believed the final proposal was complete; however, Will Carey, County Counsel, and Jim Deason would like the State to make some changes before Sherman County signs the proposal. Mike and Will had planned to present a one page Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between Sherman County and Frontier TelNet (FTN) during Court, however due to Will being very ill, the IGA has been put on hold. The State is anxious to get the IGA back and move forward; due to the time constraints, Mike asked court if they would consider approving the IGA upon County Counsel approval. Also with the agreement for the State to receive the dollars, the Court could consider doing the same, so the Request for Proposal (RFP) could go out as soon as possible. Commissioner McCoy inquired how the funding is to be used, and if Sherman County would be partnering with Century Link. Mike responded that is why the RFP needs to go out, and partnering discussions need to happen. Century Link has interest in possible partnering. Mike reported when Sherman County went out for a fiber project originally, there was no interest from fiber companies. After a few years Gilliam County and the City of Condon went out for an RFP and had three providers interested. He stated the State has tightened their view, so Sherman will need to adjust the RFP, have an agreement between the State and Sherman County in place, and have an agreement between Sherman County and FTN to maintain and get the work done in order to get the RFP out and wait for bids. Alternate proposals will also be accepted which would allow for companies like Century Link to partner.

Commissioner McCoy asked Mike if Windwave had a line all the way to The Dalles. Mike responded it had not been announced. Commissioner McCoy stated it affected the County if they did, as it would essentially be in Biggs, which would provide Sherman with a full loop.

Mike gave a brief outline of his discussion topic for the day; the IGA (similar to Wheeler County's project) was unable to be provided due to counsel illness. The document had been approved by FTN long ago and the State kept adjusting their thoughts on the project so FTN held off. Mike replied he would like to have the document approved and signed in the next few weeks as the State is anxious and he would like to publicize the RFP for as long as possible. Mike clarified for the Court there are two agreements; an IGA between Sherman County and the State, and a second IGA between Sherman County and FTN. The Court agreed to wait for Will to come speak, and view the documents first before officially approving the IGA's at the next Court Session.

1.3 9:45 a.m. Mike Smith, Kimberly Lindsey – Community Counseling Solutions – Diversion and Behavior Rehabilitation Services project updates

Present: Mike Smith, Larry Hocter, Roger Whitley, Wes Owens, Kimberly Lindsey, Jessica Metta, Amy MacNamee

Kimberly Lindsey, Community Counseling Solutions (CCS), gave an update on the potential project sites. The Rufus site will not work due to zoning; city of Wasco gave some interest in selling property north of the ball field. Kimberly asked Pennacle Architecture to create another site assessment for the Wasco property. She referred to sites "1" and "2" in packets she gave the Court; Pennacle Architecture reported the site would be large enough to house the number of beds needed. The third page of the assessment was the cost to make the site work by relocating the drainage swale, easement and other debris which would be no less than \$40,000. This amount does not include any paving, sidewalks, etc. which totals around \$700,000; this is cost prohibitive. She has looked at three different sites, spent \$7,000 in assessments, and for various reasons, none have worked out. Kimberly stated there is not enough available land in Sherman County. Mike will contact an entity within city limits of Wasco to see if there is interest in selling a few acres that is flatter than what has been looked at; CCS is running out of options for sites.

Previously she had spoken with the Court about five Behavioral Rehabilitation Service (BRS) beds in which questions arose about funding, education and transportation. The Next Door in Hood River operates a school similar to an alternative school, and receives funding from State of Oregon to provide long term treatments and education services. Those funds go to that entity; however, transportation funds go to the school that the kids reside.

Kimberly reported there is a lack of kid's resources in the State of Oregon; this has become priority for Health care in Oregon. Meetings are held every other week until problem is solved.

Kimberly talked to the State about the Diversion Program. She was told she really needs 14 BRS beds, not 5 due to economy, which could mean needing two separate facilities. This would bring many changes including not having enough employees. Commissioner McCoy asked how the County can help. Kimberly replied she will just give continual updates and there is no official role for Commissioners, however, she won't continue to try program implementation without the County and community support.

1.4 10:00 a.m. Wes Owens – Superintendent – Quarterly Report

Present: Wes, Ownes, Larry Hocter, Roger Whitley, Jessica Metta, Amy MacNamee

Wes Ownes, Superintendent, presented a quarterly report. Wes thanked the Court for support and generosity of Strategic Implementation Program payments, the science grant with green energy, and senior scholarships. The County Court Minutes – 1/17/2018

School Board thanks County Court at the Board Meetings and through their communications with the community every month. Every year the School Board goes over a Statements, Values, and Priorities sheet, their Vision Statement, and District Values. District Values are where his work starts and continues throughout the school year. They are focusing on student achievement, staff development, safety, and many more.

Wes provided the Court with the last four sets of communication materials. A community newsletter implemented this year is their second line of communication and transparency to spread the word of their current programs. The School is working on two initiatives this year: a reading program and positive behavior. The cornerstone of the School is for the children to be safe, be responsible, and be respectful. The individual who developed the program is coming to share more information with staff. Wes stated the School is moving forward with their safety program and thanks Oregon Department of Transportation, County Roads Department, Fire Department, Sheriff's Department, Sherman Preschool, and Emergency Services as they work towards relocation sites and the safety program in regards to arming the School. They are ready to put safety program associated costs together in the budget for strategically placed safes in the majority of the classrooms; four to five staff would be trained to use force if needed for safety. Response time in Sherman County can be up to 30 minutes; this has been a priority in the last two years to keep the children safe.

1.5 10:15 a.m. Jessica Metta – Mid- Columbia Economic Development – Rental Housing

Present: Larry Hocter, Roger Whitley, Jessica Metta, Amy MacNamee

Jessica Metta, Mid-Columbia Economic Development, spoke on final details with rental housing. She noted the Court had not decided on how a grant review committee would be appointed. Jessica believed it might be more efficient if someone who has a lot of knowledge on housing be part of this committee. She asked Amy MacNamee, Bank of Eastern Oregon Loan Officer, Ruby Mason, Windermere Real Estate Agent, and Commissioner McCoy to be part of the team pending Court approval.

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Vote: 2-0
Yes: Dabulskis, Thompson
No: 0
Abstain: 1

Jessica asked the Court if there was a limit to the number of project approvals or a monetary limit that should be set for these programs. Commissioner McCoy stated the housing fund currently has \$280,000 which cannot be exceeded during the fiscal year for both the rental housing programs and the construction loan program combined. Jessica stated both rental housing programs has picked up interest without any advertising. The Court agreed to use up to \$280,000 in the fund for the housing programs; if the max dollars is reached the program will be suspended until the next budget committee meeting. Discussion held on how funds will be dispersed.

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the Housing Rehabilitation Program funds to be dispersed on a reimbursement basis after project completion.

Vote: 3-0
Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson
No: 0

Abstain: 0

Judge Thompson informed Jessica building codes would be taken over by the State in regards to inspections. Brief discussion held on advertising the housing programs in the Citizen reporter, newspapers, e-news and the County Website.

1.6 10:45 a.m. Brad Baird – Anderson Perry & Associates – Biggs Service District Water System Improvements Project

Present: Brad Baird, Larry Hocter, Jessica Metta

Brad Baird, Anderson Perry & Associates, gave an update on the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) application. The Water Systems study USDA wanted updated, is underway. Brad spoke with Sam Goldstein, USDA Program Director, and was informed USDA is operating on continual resolution until the budget is approved. USDA is allocated 14-18 million dollars for Oregon every year, which they are likely to have allocated by April. Sam stated there is no issue of receiving the funds for Biggs, and receiving it quickly, as long as all requirements have been met. In regards to the Water Study, the Court needs to state what the water system will serve in the next 20 years due to system updates. Maps of the area were referenced during the discussion of the water system and zoning. Brad stated most of the zoning in the area was commercial and industrial. Judge Thomson replied that commercial would potentially change to residential near the old motel and north, to accommodate low income workforce housing. Brad will write the study to include information on zoning changes and the new service area. He reported most aspects are either finished or waiting to be reviewed, excluding the updated water use data. The road design is almost finished as well. Brads goal is to have everything completed by the February Court meeting as there are very few things pending. Brad presented the cost of the well, and suggested the Court take action on drilling the well to keep moving the project forward. This ensures there is water before contractors lay piping, and would save the Court two to three months of project time. The Court agreed to proceed forward. Judge Thompson mentioned the water project in Biggs is on hold until the USDA documents are approved.

1.7 11:15 a.m. Dan Aldrich – Building Maintenance – Quarterly Report

Present: Dan Aldrich, Georgia Macnab, Larry Hocter

Dan Aldrich, Building Maintenance, presented a quarterly report. There have been many extra items added to his daily list due to building moves and construction; expects that to slow once everyone is settled in. Judge Thompson inquired if Dan had enough time to maintain Courthouse buildings, Senior Center, Burnett Building, and Road Department building. Dan responded yes and soon will be able to maintain a normal routine; he will need to adjust his schedule slightly to accommodate not disturbing staff. He reported some new cleaning equipment was purchased to have a set in each Courthouse building and would potentially like to get a carpet cleaner instead of hiring a company to clean the carpets. The carpet company who installed the carpet will need to come back to fix areas that did not hold. The design team asked Dan his opinion and preference on many flooring aspects, however, chose not to use his suggestions. Dan noted the flooring used in the Sherriff's Office requires special cleaners. There was a piping issue with the bathrooms in the original Courthouse building; Roto Rooter had been called to inspect the issue later in the day.

1.8 11:30 a.m. Georgia Macnab – Planning Director – Quarterly Report

Present: Larry Hocter, Georgia Macnab, Carol von Borstel, Neil Pattee

Georgia Macnab, Planning Director, presented a quarterly report. Georgia had one hearing for a conditional use permit for a non-farm dwelling; the other scheduled hearing was cancelled. There was a letter sent about Golden Hills Amendment Number 4 with the State, and conversed with Department of Energy about the conditions of the Golden Hills permit in regards to the road conditions set up many years prior by the Road Department. She had conversations with contractors for the Wy'East solar farm. A zoning permit was submitted for the Biggs Truck Stop. Georgia explained to the Court that she needs to be updated on the building codes issue so she can send individuals who contact her in the right direction. Commissioner McCoy informed Georgia that building codes is under Mid-Columbia Council Of Governments until the end of January and then is taken over by the State through The Dalles office.

Georgia had inquires on possible zone changes, Aurora Gardens came to her to seek options, and dealt with another non-farm dwelling issue. Biggest priority is the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy list that goes to Mid-Columbia Economic Development District (MCEEDD). The Enterprise Zone application with Aurora Gardens does not look like it will be approved due to Federal regulations, and there needs to be an agreement with Worksource Oregon. Nate Stice, Regional Solutions, is helping as much as possible. Federal regulations consider the plant marijuana and do not recognize TCH removal due to distilling processes.

Georgia had rental housing inquires and has referred those onto MCEEDD as well as a zoning violation for parking and living in an RV within a farm zone and living. This is occurring all over the county. When there is a complaint she is required to act.

Ryan Thompson, community member, and Erik Glover, Moro City Administrator, were appointed to the Planning Commission Board. Georgia attended the Oregon Planning Conference in October and the Association of Counties Conference in November. Commissioner McCoy asked if someone had been hired to replace Jennifer Zimmerlee managing the RV Park. Georgia responded not yet; Jennifer has been gracious to help out as needed for now.

1.9 11:45 a.m. Carol von Borstel – Grass Valley City Administrator; Ryan Nopp – GV Property Development – Housing

Present: Ryan Nopp, Carol von Borstel, Neil Pattee, Larry Hocter, Georgia Macnab

Ryan Nopp, GV Property Development, informed the Court they are still interested in the Rolfe property, and have agreed on a purchase price. GV Property Development has decided to no longer bring in modular units, however, are interested in building two duplexes on the property instead. Georgia Macnab, Planning Director, stated it would require a zone change to residential. The Court encouraged Ryan to submit a rental application while working on the zone change paperwork. Brief discussion held on requirements for rental incentives. Ryan asked what the turnaround time would be for rezoning. Georgia responded generally there is a 35 day notice to the State, then schedules her hearing afterwards. There needs to be plenty of time to review the document. Ryan inquired about building inspections. Commissioner Dabulskis asked Carol if the City was connected to fiber; Carol replied not yet.

1.10 1:00 p.m. Dean Dark – Wildlife Services – Quarterly Report

Present: Larry Hocter, Dean Dark, Shawn Payne

Dean Dark, Wildlife Services, presented a quarterly report. He has been working weekends in Gilliam County since they currently do not have trapper, and is billing for his time. He is able to trap more coyotes and is running more snare lines since the weather warmed up. Dean is working to resolve two possible cougar issues on Welk and Finnegan roads; so far has only caught coyotes in the cougar traps. He has been keeping all

equipment clean and in working order. Judge Thompson inquired about dog issues with Harry Dean, community member; Dean replied not recently. Most typical calls received is for skunks.

The Court asked if he is still getting calls for wild pigs. Dean stated he hasn't seen or heard a wild pig in the last three to four years in Sherman County. Wasco and Jefferson Counties receive a grant every year to eradicate them via helicopter. It was stated that unfortunately the grant won't be available forever, and pigs are learning to hide from private helicopters.

Dean received a message from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife; a pair of wolves has been found in the White River Unit. He will need to check their Area of Known Wolf Activity (AKWA) to see if there is activity in Sherman. If the wolf activity is in Sherman County it can limit what tools he can use to perform his regular job duties in that area. If the wolves move into Deschutes Canyon, the AWKA might encompass all of Sherman County.

1.11 1:15 p.m. Shawn Payne – Emergency Services – Quarterly Report

Present: Larry Hocter, Shawn Payne

Shawn Payne, Emergency Services, presented a quarterly report. Emergency Services held their annual banquet at the Wasco School Events Center, which was well attended with 78 guests. Their Physician Supervisor attended the banquet to hand out bars for the mass casualty incident in January. Shawn will be attending the County Insurance Conference in February.

A grant was submitted to the Mid-Columbia Health Foundation to provide free 12 lead EKG to all student athletes; the grant is pending. If something worrisome showed up on the test, the student would be sent to their regular physician for clearance. The goal of the grant is to prevent sudden cardiac arrest in teenagers. Shawn stated the 12 lead EKG's have an auto-read output as Emergency Services is not allowed to read results. The auto-read output can give unconfirmed readings which the student must then be directly cleared by a physician. Emergency Services is working to find a physician who can perform the readings on site. If no physician is willing to help, that portion of the grant will most likely not be completed. The majority of the grant is to receive two Automated External Defibrillators; one for the baseball field and one for the second gym.

There are three individuals attending advanced Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) class; after completion, they will attend the intermediate class which is Oregon specific. The end result will be a total of five EMT instead of two. Shawn is updating the Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan; Sherman County's expires in 2019. If there is not a current one in place the County will not be eligible for the Emergency Management Performance Grant which funds part of her position.

1.12 1:30 p.m. Executive Session in Accordance with ORS 192.660 (2) (i) Personnel

Entered Executive Session: 1:26 p.m.

Exited Executive Session: 1:45 p.m.

Executive Session on Personnel.

1.13 2:00 p.m. Amy Asher – Prevention Coordinator – Quarterly Report

Present: Larry Hocter, Amy Asher

Amy Asher, Prevention, gave a quarterly report. She assumed the role of Outreach at the beginning of November. Amy attended an orientation in which she was told she must resubmit her State Plan, due to budget changes of no insurance and the School no longer participating in Project Alert. The Pack had 23 members signed up at the start of the year; current program did nothing with drug, tobacco, and alcohol prevention. Amy rewrote the Pack promise as well as a proposal for Paw Pals, to include drug, tobacco, and alcohol prevention and to be a positive influence on friends and family. Pack gives kids that are not part of sports a way to still be involved. Had a meeting of what the new Pack is going to be. She is working with the school to help the kid's campaign for healthy living among many others, and the students are very excited. Amy is working on a proposal to implement end of year activities based on the points students earn during the year for participating in activities. After the re-introduction meeting of Pack, there are now 56 members. Paw Pals, also known as lunch buddies, is where an adult spends time during lunch once a week being a positive role model for the students. Amy will be sending out an email for volunteers and will include the lunch time schedule. The prevention Facebook page is active again. Oregon Youth Conservation Corps applications are due February 20th, 2018. Amy has been working with Prevention Treatment Advisory Board (PTAB) with suicide post prevention protocol. She has also attended many meetings and trainings.

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Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.2 Resignation – Sherman County Local Community Advisory Council – Karl Richter, Delores Richter

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to accept a letter of resignation from Karl Richter and Delores Richter, Sherman County Local Community Advisory Council.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.3 Resignation – Senior Center Advisory Board – Deanna Padget, Sharon Chard, Susan Lissman

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Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.4 Volunteer – Senior Center – Jeff Judah

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to accept volunteer application from Jeff Judah, Senior Center, pending background check.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.5 Appointment – Senior Center Advisory Board – Donna Birtwistle

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to appoint Donna Birtwistle to the Senior Center Advisory Board for a term of two years to expire December 31, 2019.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.6 Rental Housing Incentive Program Application

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the \$40,000 Rental Housing Development Grant for Austen Martin to build two duplex rental units.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.1 Letter of recommendation

Motion by Commissioner Dabulskis, second by Commissioner McCoy, to provide a letter of recommendation for Jennifer Meachum of ProudCity to use towards Graduate School application and authorize Judge Thompson to sign.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

Brief discussion held on rental housing including how much funding is left in the rental housing fund, and how many applications have been approved thus far.

3.0 Discussion Items

3.1 Workforce Housing

Item discussed during Jessica Metta's, Mid-Columbia Economic Development District, appointment. No further discussion required.

3.2 Rental Tables and Chairs

Commissioner Dabulskis will be going through process of renting chairs and will be able to see how the process is being conducted. The Wasco School Events Center (WSEC) still uses the tables and chairs regularly. The future goal of WSEC is to buy their own set of furniture. It was reported that WSEC is currently following same

procedures as before. The next big event the tables and chairs will be used for is the crab feed. Commissioner Dabulskis stated WSEC needs to have a strong inventory and check in/check out system. He will talk to Rita Wilson, Clerk, to get the original inventory. Melissa Kirckpatrick, WSEC Manager, will be the main contact for renting tables and chairs.

3.1 Renewable Energy Work Session

Judge Thompson talked to Dave Van't Hof, Energy Advisor, about setting up a renewable energy work session. Dave would like to have the work session as soon as possible. Dana Peck, Goldendale Chamber Executive Director, and Dave would like to have Department of Revenue attend; Judge Thompson will have Ross Turney, Assessor, initiate contact with the Department of Revenue to set a date. Wasco and Gilliam Counties will be invited to the work session.

Commissioner McCoy stated that Community Renewable Energy Association (CREA) was established to fund small energy projects, and is funded by Strategic Implementation Plan (SIP) money from large wind projects. CREA's usefulness now is to promote large wind projects. Columbia Gorge Bi-State Renewable Energy Zone (CGBREZ) was created to attract businesses to the Columbia Gorge for parts and supplies for wind farms.

Judge Thompson reminded the Court that it is not just small wind farms, but small solar farms as well. Commissioner Dabulskis asked what the time frame would be for the Economic Study on Out of State Wind. Judge Thompson relied six months and it is important to have to take to legislature.

3.2 Quarterly Report: Ron McDermid – Justice of the Peace

The Court reviewed and approved the Quarterly Report submitted by Ron McDermid.

3.3 Quarterly Report: Kari Silcox – Senior Center Director

The Court reviewed and approved the Quarterly Report submitted by Kari Silcox.

3.4 Building Codes

Building Codes will be discussed at the Tri-County Court meeting in Fossil on January 24th, 2018. The State will take over the program and the office will be located in The Dalles. They will be providing building codes services, and hiring a few Mid-Columbia Council Of Governments employees; however, State pay scale is too low for most to apply.

3.5 Website Update

Brief update from Kayla von Borstel, Administrative Assistant, on the new website. The website is experiencing some technical difficulties, such as the agenda not updating on the site, and is being looked into. Kayla has helped Proud City wrap a few last minute items as well. Lauren Hernandez, previous Administrative Assistant, had training with Proud City to work on Completely Automated Public Turing test to tell Computers and Humans Apart (CAPTCHA). She hopes to have it finished by the end of the month. Kayla has a few items she needs to add to the website, but has not had time to figure out all the steps yet. She hopes to have that completed in the next two weeks. Commissioner McCoy suggested the County schedule trainings for employees on internet security through County Insurance Services possibly twice a year.

3.6 Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Dabulskis – Attended library board, no roof leakage thus far, attended Community Renewable Energy Association, attended Geek Lunch on cyber currency, attended Courthouse surplus auction, visited with Talik Eichinger, Mezr Digital Makers and Movilix Financial Services, about concerns with fires at the shift festival.

Judge Thompson – Attended Mid-Columbia Economic Development District Executive meeting, attended Association of Counties Legislative meeting, promoting land use laws, attended senior center advisory committee, attended Courthouse surplus auction, attended Community Renewable Energy Association &

Columbia Gorge Bi-State Renewable Energy Zone, attended Mid-Columbia Economic Development District loan board.

Commissioner McCoy- Attended Community Advisory Council, attended conference call with Mid-Columbia Economic Development District, working on funding formula North Central Public Health District, Mid-Columbia Council of Governments about LINK and building codes, attended Community Renewable Energy Association.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Minutes of December 20, 2017

4.2 Minutes of January 3, 2018

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the minutes of December 20, 2017, and minutes of January 3, 2018, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4.3 Treasurer's Report – December 2017

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Dabulskis, to approve the Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2017, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Thompson

No: 0

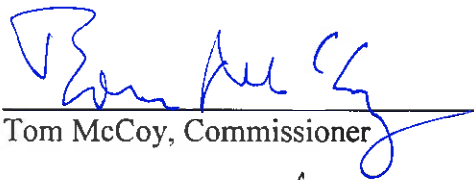
Abstain: 0

Being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned at 2:22 p.m.

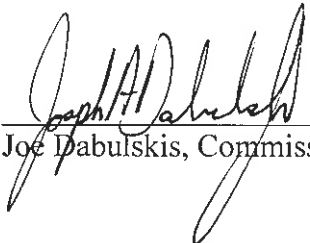
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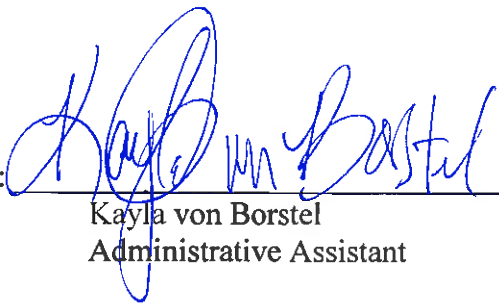
Gary Thompson, Judge



Tom McCoy, Commissioner



Joe Dabulskis, Commissioner

Attest: 

Kayla von Borstel
Administrative Assistant