



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

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 5, 2020

Opened Court:

Present: Commissioner Joan Bird, Judge Joe Dabulskis, Commissioner Tom McCoy, Administrative Assistant Tammi Gaskey

A quorum was present. No news media was present.

Additions to Agenda

1.8 Offer for property in Biggs

1.0 Appointment Schedule

1.1 9:00 a.m. Dan Aldrich, Maintenance – Quarterly Report

Present: Dan Aldrich, Brandon Hamilton, Brad Eakin, Keegan Kock

Dan Aldrich discussed the heat issues at the Courthouse. Mr. Aldrich stated that the number one boiler is being fixed currently for a gas valve that went out and the number two boiler has an internal leak. Mr. Aldrich has two bids to replace the boiler with the leak. Bid one is \$24,500 and bid two is \$16,800. The new building does have a leak in the Freon on the roof. The new building should still be under warranty. Mr. Aldrich said that the gutters are all up and the lights are completed outside at the Senior Center.

1.2 ~~9:30 a.m.~~ 9:15 a.m. Brandon Hamilton, South Sherman Fire District – Follow-Up

Present: Brandon Hamilton, Brad Eakin, Keegan Kock

Brandon Hamilton handed out a plan of action for funds requested from the Court. The financial review was completed in January 2020. Keegan Kock is working on figuring out where the reader board can be located and then they can go from there to get the reader board up.

Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner McCoy, to approve \$15,000 for South Sherman Fire District to purchase a reader board sign and will be paid upon receipt of the invoice.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

1.3 9:45 a.m. Mark Coles, Road Master – Finnegan Bid Update

Present: Mark Coles, Aaron Geisler

Mark Coles let the court know that they have 11 interested contractors at this time for the Finnegan Bid project.

Motion by Judge Joe Dabulskis, second by Commissioner McCoy, to give staff the authority to issue a notice of intent to award to the lowest responsible bidder after the bid opening.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

1.4 10:00 a.m. Bob Thomas, Wildlife Services– Quarterly Report

Present: Bob Thomas,

Bob Thomas discussed wolves with the Court. A den of wolves is being monitored on the west side of Mt. Hood. Mr. Thomas has been working with mountain lion, cougars, and coyotes. Court inquired if Mr. Thomas does any work regarding gophers and other pests; Mr. Thomas responded yes he advises and assists with gophers since maintenance has their pesticides license. Mr. Thomas does not have his pesticides license, and does not plan to get one, so he cannot legally take care of the gophers solely.

1.5 10:15 a.m. Elbert DeMoss – DeMoss Park Bandstand Update

Present: Elbert DeMoss, Matthew DeMoss, Stan Foster (PARC Resources)

Elbert DeMoss shared with the Court that the DeMoss Park Bandstand committee has been formed. The Sherman Development Committee is the DeMoss Park Bandstand committee sponsor and will handle all the donations that are collected for the DeMoss Park Bandstand.

Mr. DeMoss sent an email regarding the Donovan report. Mr. DeMoss is requesting a plaque in the park that states that DeMoss Park is a historical marker.

Stan Foster came to Court to speak on behalf of DeMoss Park. Mr. Foster is a grant writer with PARC Resources. Mr. Foster talked about how some people like to travel around Oregon to visit National Parks and National Landmarks. He said the county could capitalize on this by advertising the museum and other Sherman County businesses. Mr. Foster feels this would be an economic development opportunity for the county as well.

There is a Local Parks Grant for \$75,000 that could be applied for to be used to help restore the DeMoss Park Bandstand. The Local Parks Grant application is due May 1st. The decision is usually made by July 1st. Sherman Development League would not be eligible for this grant but the county would be. There is a 20% match of funds required for this grant. The current bid to restore the DeMoss Park Bandstand is \$75,500.

To put in for the grant we would have to have the planning person involved or hire PARC Resources to write the grant at \$3, 096 for the one grant. Mr. Foster said it would be nice if the Court made a resolution or wrote a letter to show support for the restoration efforts wanting to be done to the DeMoss Park bandstand. Mr. Foster said it would be helpful if the Court could provide seed money in the amount of \$10,000 or even \$5,000. Mr. Foster said the seed money could be given now or brought to the budget committee for approval. A resolution

or letter and seed money would show the community and the grant people that the County stands behind the efforts being made to restore the DeMoss Park bandstand.

Mr. Elbert DeMoss shared that Sherry Kaseberg has asked the Historical Society to write a letter of support for the DeMoss Park Bandstand project. Mr. Elbert DeMoss is asking the Court to write a letter of support as well. The Court will discuss the resolution and letter.

1.6 ~~10:45 a.m. — Brad Baird — Water Project Items Update~~

Present:

1.7 11:00 a.m. Ron McDermid, Justice Court – House Bill 4065

Present: Ron McDermid

Ron McDermid talked about House Bill 4065. A bill that does not allow Courts to suspend a license for non-payment of unpaid traffic tickets. House Bill 4065 may get referred out of the House Judiciary committee on February 5th and it would have to pass the whole House and then it would go to a committee in the Senate. Judge Dabulskis would like the Justice Court to help draft a letter of opposition to House Bill 4065.

Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner McCoy, to oppose House Bill 4065.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

1.8 Biggs Property has an offer. The consensus was to have a discussion about the offer after Judge Dabulskis talks to, Lyle Stratton, the real estate agent that has Pat's piece of property listed. No action was taken on the current offer.

2.0 Action Items

2.1 Sherman County Ambulance appointment – Position #1 Board Chair – Kathy Ahearn

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commission Bird, to appoint Kathy Ahearn to Position #1 Board Chair for the Sherman County Ambulance Service for a term of two years ending in December 2021.

Vote: 2-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.2 Sherman County Ambulance appointment– Position #3 Training Officer – Rick Whitaker

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to appoint Rick Whitaker to Position #3 Training Officer for the Sherman County Ambulance Service for a term of two years ending in December 2021.

Vote: 2-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.3 Liquor License Application – Pilot Travel Centers LLC

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Judge Dabulskis, to approve the Liquor License for Pilot Travel Centers LLC after a conversation with Sheriff Lohrey.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.4 Sherman County Scholarship to Columbia Gorge Community College renewal

Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner McCoy, to authorize the expenditure of \$2,500 as a scholarship donation to Columbia Gorge Community College Foundation in support of Sherman County students attending Columbia Gorge Community College.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.5 AOC dues

Motion by Commissioner McCoy, second by Commissioner Bird, to renew annual AOC membership and pay dues in the amount of \$8,431.46.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.6 Annual Appointment of Pro Tem Justice Court Judge for Sherman County: Cris Patnode, Gilliam County Justice of the Peace.

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to appoint Cris Patnode, Gilliam County Justice of the Peace, as Pro Tem Justice Court Judge for Sherman County for the 2020 calendar year.

Vote: 2-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

2.7 Motion to appoint Debbie Hayden as Budget Officer for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to appoint Debbie Hayden as Budget Officer for Sherman County for the 2020-21 fiscal year.

Vote: 2-0

Yes: Dabulskis, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

3.0 Discussion Items

3.1 Written Quarterly Report – Senior Center

Court accepted.

3.2 Written Quarterly Report - Emergency Services

Court accepted

3.3 Written Quarterly Report – Sheriff's Office

Court accepted

3.4 Vehicle Graphics – quote Move to next agenda

3.5 Thank you letter from Columbia Gorge Community College Scholarship recipient

3.6 Written Quarterly Report – Community Transit

Court accepted

3.7 Downtown Improvement funds request for Grass Valley Market. Funds will be used to paint and spruce up the outside of the store.

3.8 Written Quarterly Report – Drug and Alcohol Prevention

Court accepted

3.9 Justice of the Peace Continuing Legal Education Report and Summary

3.10 Proposed carbon legislation

Judge Dabulskis is hoping to go to Salem concerning the carbon legislation.

3.11 Compensation meeting

Compensation Board Meeting will be Feb. 19th.

3.12 Old Business

Mr. Jeff Wallace was writing changes on the Fiberline contract.

Kimberly Lindsey from CCS came and looked at the bus that the County has for sale. Kimberly will let the Court know the week of February 7th if CCS wants the bus.

The Library has another leaky window.

Burnet building windows will be replaced on Feb. 21. All of the Milgard windows will be replaced.

3.13 Commissioner Reports

Joe – attended the following - Regional 911 Board meeting; Tri-County Community Corrections; Tri-County Court; Frontier Tel-Net; MCEDD Loan Board, Lower John Day ACT; Biggs property offer; AOC conference call

that discussed the Cap and Trade issue; Ambulance Advisory Planning Committee meeting; Met with developers for Biggs; We are moving forward with hiring a MCEDD director, the applications were great.

Tom – attended the following - LPSCC meeting; NORCOR Board meeting; Mid Columbia Housing Authority meeting; January 31st Special Session; met with Michael Held.

Joan – attended the following - Library Board meeting; Fairgrounds Building Committee meeting; CRP and the PLC and the ARC meeting; Luncheon in the Dalles with Women Commissioners from Wasco, Gilliam and Morrow Counties; January 31st Special Session, The Crab Feed; North Central Livestock Association meeting in Maupin; Met with residents regarding Little Wheats daycare; Post Office in Grass Valley; Chris Moore introduced Joan to Jill Burnett with the Gorge Community Foundation. Their Foundation works with Gorge non-profits building charitable endowments; Met with Michael Held.

4.0 Consent Agenda

4.1 Minutes of January 8, 2020 Special Session

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve minutes of January 8, 2020, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4.2 Minutes of January 15, 2020

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the minutes of January 15, 2020, as corrected.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4.3 Minutes of January 31, 2020

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the minutes of January 31, 2020, as corrected.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

Abstain: 0

4.4 Claims – January 2020

Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the Claims for the month of January 2020, as presented.

Vote: 3-0

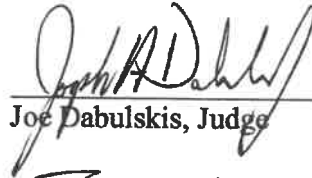
Yes: Dabulskis, McCoy, Bird

No: 0

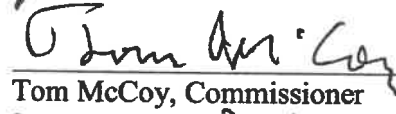
Abstain: 0

Being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned at 12:12

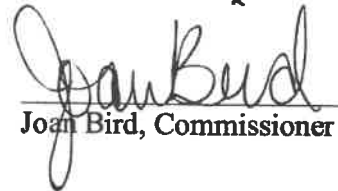
Sherman County Court



Joe Dabulskis, Judge



Tom McCoy, Commissioner



Joan Bird, Commissioner

Attest: 

Administrative Assistant
Tammi Gaskey