



## Court Agenda

February 17, 2021

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1.2 9:30 a.m. Beth McCurdy – Mayor of Wasco

1.3 9:45 a.m. Dan Son – Spray Raft acquisition for the Lower Deschutes CWMA

1.4 10:00 a.m. Director Renee Heidy and Sheriff Gary Bettencourt – Frontier Regional 911

1.5 10:30 a.m. Mark Coles – Finnegan Bridge

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ORS 192.660 (2) (e) Property ORS 192.660 (2) (i) Personnel*





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

**MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 17, 2021**

**Opened Court:**

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

A quorum was present. Times-Journal was present on-line.

**Additions to Agenda**

**1.0 Appointment Schedule**

**1.1 9:00 a.m. Georgia Macnab, Planning Department – Prioritize CEDS**

Present: Georgia Macnab, Drew Messenger, Audrey Rooney, Gary Bettencourt

Georgia Macnab, Planning Department, reviewed the Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) list with the County Court; she will send it to Mid-Columbia Economic Development District for their board to officially rank the projects. Georgia reminded County Court they needed to rank the list for the top 10 projects.

**Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner Miller, to prioritize Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) project prioritization as follows:**

- 1. Work Force Housing**
- 2. Fiber Project-Broadband Expansion**
- 3. City of Wasco, Rufus and Moro Backup Power/Emergency Generator Purchase**
- 4. City of Grass Valley – Waste Water Study**
- 5. Kent Service District – Kent Water**
- 6. Sherman Health District Clinic Expansion & Backup Power/Emergency Generator**
- 7. Rufus Community Center**
- 8. City of Wasco Road Resurfacing Project**
- 9. Wasco Events Center Exterior Building Repair and Paint Project**
- 10. City of Moro Water System/Telemetry Upgrade**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**  
**Abstain: 0**

**1.2** 9:30 a.m. Beth McCurdy – Mayor of Wasco

Present: Beth McCurdy, Audrey Rooney, Drew Messenger, Gary Bettencourt, Renee Heidy

Beth McCurdy, Mayor of Wasco, came to County Court to talk about the projects happening in The City of Wasco this year. She discussed the street project, Golden Hills and Wasco’s Memorial Day celebration.

Beth said that Golden Hills will be purchasing water from The City of Wasco which she says will be an economic boost to the city. Beth is hopeful that the Memorial Day celebration will be able to happen in some way this year. It may not be exactly like the celebrations in the past but she said that people are already starting to toss around ideas.

**1.3** 9:45 a.m. Dan Son – Spray Raft acquisition for the Lower Deschutes CWMA

Present: Dan Son, Gary Bettencourt, Renee Heidy, Audrey Rooney, Drew Messenger, Rod Asher

Dan Son, Weed Department, came to County Court to discuss the need of a Spray Raft for the Lower Deschutes. Dan said that currently they have to use back packs to spray in this area. The current raft that they have is to transport people and gear. This Spray Raft is for working and it can transport 1-2 people.

**Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Judge Dabulskis, to approve the Spray Raft acquisition for the Lower Deschutes CWMA including Raft and supplies, Trailer, Spray System, Winch and Welding in the amount of \$11,209.50 with existing funds in the budget.**

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

**1.4** 10:00 a.m. Director Renee Heidy and Sheriff Gary Bettencourt – Frontier Regional 911

Present: Renee Heidy, Sheriff Bettencourt, Drew Messenger, Audrey Rooney

Sheriff Gary Bettencourt and Director Renee Heidy of Frontier Regional 911, came to County Court to give a Frontier Regional 911 report. Gary gave a little history about how Frontier Regional 911 was established. In June 3, 2003 Gilliam, Wheeler and Sherman counties created Frontier Regional 911 and in 2012 Jefferson County was added.

Renee gave a handout about making 9-1-1 work for the caller. The flyer says “An informed caller is 9-1-1’s best caller. It’s important that you know how to help 9-1-1 help you. In an emergency, seconds matter, so being knowledgeable and prepared can make all the difference.

1. Know when to call 9-1-1.
2. Know when not to call 9-1-1.
3. Know the capabilities of the device you are using.
4. Know where you are.
5. Stay calm.

6. Never hang up.

1.5 10:30 a.m. Mark Coles – Finnegan Bridge

Present: Mark Coles, Aaron Geisler, Sheriff Gary Bettencourt, Audrey Rooney

Mark Coles and Aaron Geisler came to court to present Change Order #1 with Marcum and Sons. Mark and Aaron explained that the detour slabs used for the Finnegan Bridge project should be moved to Rutledge Bridge to complete this bridge. Marcum and Sons should be done with their part of the Rutledge Bridge by the end of March, 2021. Guardrail placement and paving should be done by the end of June, 2021.

Commissioner Bird asked if Mark had enough money in his budget to cover the cost of completing the Rutledge Bridge.

**Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve the Change Order #1 with Marcum and Sons specifying the repositioning of the detour slabs from the previous bridge built on Finnegan Road over Finnegan Creek to a new location on Rutledge Lane over Rosebrush Creek. The scope, schedule, and contract amount adjustments are defined in the change order and authorize Judge Dabulskis to sign.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

## 2.0 Action Items

### 2.1 Parole and Probation

Present: Sheriff Gary Bettencourt, Tina Potter, Kimi Hulke, Audrey Rooney, Drew Messenger

Judge Dabulskis talked about the pros and cons of staying or moving to Wasco County Parole and Probation. Transitional housing, expanded programs and the input from Sheriff Brad Lohrey, District Attorney Wade McLeod, Justice of the Peace Ron McDermid, Amy Asher, and Amber DeGrange.

Sheriff Gary Bettencourt talked about why Tri-County Parole and Probation should stay together. Gary believes that the three small counties should stay together where they all have an equal voice in decision making. He believes that the larger counties like Hood River and Wasco have more decision making power since they are larger and a small county will not have an equal voice in decisions.

**Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve Sherman County Parole and Probation Services joining Wasco County's Parole and Probation Services starting July 1, 2021 or 180 days.**

**Judge Dabulskis amended motion and Commissioner Miller seconded the amendment to say:**

**Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve Sherman County Parole and Probation Services joining Wasco County's Parole and Probation Services starting July 1, 2021 or 180 days subject to coming to an agreeable IGA with Wasco County.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

**2.2 2021-2023 Community Dispute Resolution Program (CDRP) Grant Funds**

**Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve Sherman County's participation in funding activities of the Oregon Office for Community Dispute Resolution along with Gilliam, Hood River, Wasco and Wheeler Counties in Oregon and authorize Judge Dabulskis to sign.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

**Motion by Commissioner Miller, second by Commissioner Bird, to approve Wasco County as the Community Dispute Resolution Coordinator for Gilliam, Hood River, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler Counties in Oregon and authorize Judge Dabulskis to sign.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

**2.3 Business Façade Enhancement program**

**Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Judge Dabulskis, to approve Business Façade Enhancement Improvement funds, in the amount of \$15,000, for the Grass Valley Country Market for Business Façade Enhancement improvements in the City of Grass Valley.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

**2.4 Columbia Gorge Community College - Tabled**

Judge Dabulskis will talk to Sherman County High School Ag Teacher.

**2.5 pro tem Justice Court Judge**

**Motion by Commissioner Miller, 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 2021 calendar year.**

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

### **3.0 Discussion Items**

#### **3.1 Job description/Evaluation form**

County Court reviewed the new evaluation forms that have been created for all employees that report to Judge Dabulskis or County Court. The consensus was that the evaluation forms look good and we can start using them.

Commissioner Bird did mention that some of the job descriptions should be updated.

#### **3.2 Oregon Justice of the Peace – legal education**

Commissioner Bird mentioned that the Justice of the Peace, Ron McDermid, has gone above and beyond in taking legal education. Good job!

#### **3.3 Commissioner Reports and Updates**

**Commissioner Bird** – Attended a Prevention meeting, SWCD meeting, a Center For Living meeting, and a NCPHD meeting.

Commissioner Bird sent note to Jeff Wallace, County Council, regarding Prevention By-Laws.

Commissioner Bird called Adams Design and got a name for a mason to look at the Library.

Commissioner Bird received a call from the Wasco Event Center regarding the current rules about lending out the tables and chairs. Currently, the rule states that the tables and chairs can be lent to Sherman County residents for an event in Sherman County. County Court had a discussion on this topic and will bring it back to the March 7<sup>th</sup> County Court session for further discussion.

**Judge Dabulskis** – Attended a CGBREZ meeting; a weekly OHA meeting; a CREA meeting; a AOC Legislative Committee meeting; a Senator Findley call; a call with Governor Brown for quarterly update; a Safety meeting, and a MCEDD Loan Board meeting.

Judge Dabulskis had a conversation with Dr. June Gower from Center For Living.

Judge Dabulskis met with Dana Pursley-Haner to complete her 6 month review.

Judge Dabulskis reached out to Senator Wyden's and Senator Merkley's offices regarding COVID money and the proposed River Democracy Act that will add nearly 4,700 miles of rivers and streams in Oregon to the national Wild and Scenic Rivers system.

Talked to Representative Smith's office regarding funding for the new STOP Center (Mental health facility).

Reached out to Brad of Anderson Perry a couple of times regarding the water project in Biggs Junction. We are still waiting on the project design for the next phase.

**Commissioner Miller** - Attend an LCAC meeting and a Fair Board meeting.

### **3.4 Wellness Center Update**

Shelby Stroud sent an update regarding the Wellness Center. Shelby stated that in 2020 they had a total of 66 members using the Wellness Center. Currently in 2021 the Wellness Center has about 25 members. On average 5-10 members work out every day.

Wellness Center Board is: Shelby Stroud, Aliesha Pfeifer, Lacey Ament, Kyle Pfeifer and Kati King.

## **4.0 Consent Agenda**

### **4.1 Minutes of January 6, 2021**

**Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve the January 6, 2021 Minutes as presented.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

### **4.2 Minutes of February 3, 2021**

**Motion by Judge Dabulskis, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve the February 3, 2021 Minutes as presented.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

### **4.3 Revenue/Expenditure Summary – January 2021**

**Motion by Commissioner Bird, second by Commissioner Miller, to approve the Revenue/Expenditure Summary for the month of January 2021, as presented.**

**Vote: 3-0**

**Yes: Dabulskis, Miller, Bird**

**No: 0**

**Abstain: 0**

### **4.4 ~~Treasurer's Report—December 2020~~**

**Motion by \_\_\_\_\_, second by \_\_\_\_\_, to approve the ~~Treasurer's Report for the month of December 2020, as presented.~~**



**5.0 Future Agenda Items**

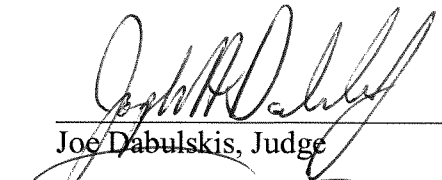
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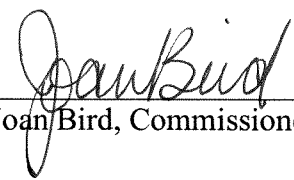
Columbia Gorge Community College

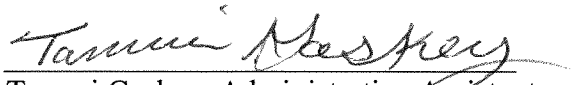
Being no further business before the Court, the meeting was adjourned at 11:58 a.m.

Sherman County Court

  
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Joe Dabulskis, Judge

  
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Justin Miller, Commissioner

  
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Joan Bird, Commissioner

Attest:   
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Tammi Gaskey, Administrative Assistant