

**MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES**  
**March 16, 2022**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Court was called to order by Judge Dan Joyce at 9:00 a.m. in the County Court Office of the Malheur County Courthouse with Commissioner Don Hodge and Commissioner Ron Jacobs present. Staff present was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois. Members of the media, public, and staff had the opportunity to join the meeting electronically or in-person. Notice of the meeting was posted on the County website, Courthouse bulletin board, and emailed to the Argus Observer, Malheur Enterprise, and those persons who have requested notice. The meeting was audio recorded. The agenda is recorded as instrument # 2022-1229

**GOODFELLOW BUILDING**

Veterans Service Officer Connie Tanaka and ASD (Ambulance Service District) Coordinator Bob Dickinson met with the Court and discussed ongoing problems with the homeless at the Goodfellow Building. It was requested that the property be fenced and gated. One bid has been obtained. The Court requested two additional bids be obtained.

**COURT MINUTES**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Court Minutes of March 9, 2022 as written. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**CROSSING PERMITS**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Crossing Permit #10-22 to Oregon Idaho Utilities Inc for placement of fiber optic cable on Napton Road #1052 and Hawk Road #997; Permit #11-22 to Track Utilities LLC for a road bore on Railroad Avenue #874; Permit #12-22 to Idaho Power Company for upgrades on Lytle Blvd. #570; and Permit # 13-22 to Oregon Idaho Utilities Inc for placement of fiber optic cables on Margarita Road #1554 and Stateline Road #1519. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Original permits will be kept on file at the Road Department.

**PROVIDER CONTRACT - LIFEWAYS**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Provider Contract between Lifeways Inc. and Malheur County for the Financing of Community Mental Health, Addiction Treatment, Recovery, & Prevention, and Problem Gambling Services. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously. See instrument # 2022-1230

**PARTIAL RELEASE OF FARMLAND LEASE AND RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL OF WATER RIGHTS**

County Counsel Stephanie Williams presented a partial release with Farmers. After discussion, Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Partial Release of Farmland Lease and Right of First Refusal of Water Rights with James G. Farmer and Margaret M. Farmer and Charles Warren Farmer, Recorded with the Malheur County Clerk as Instrument Number 2020-0142.

Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The property released is Lot 3 of the Arcadia Industrial Park Subdivision.

Commissioner Hodge left the meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session was called in accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(a) - Employment of Public Officers, Employees and Agents with Judge Joyce presiding and Commissioner Jacobs present. Also present were: Planner Eric Evans, Malheur Education Service District (ESD) Director of Technology Randy Seals, and Courtney Boles. No decisions were made during or following the session.

### **COURT ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned.

Contract requirements of the Strategic Reserve Fund (SRF #15-17-661) Contract with Business Oregon have been satisfied. See instrument # 2022-1255