

## **MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES**

**April 15, 2020**

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 Larry Wilson present telephonically. Staff present was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois and Planner Eric Evans. Notice of the meeting was posted on the County website 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 #[2020-1352](#)

### **PROCLAMATION - TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK**

Commissioner Hodge moved to proclaim the week of April 12-18, 2020 Malheur County Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS WEEK**

**APRIL 12-18, 2020**

**BY THE MALHEUR COUNTY COURT, OREGON**

WHEREAS, since 1981 the Congress of the United States, and the President of the United States have established one week in April as National Telecommunicators Week; and

WHEREAS, Malheur County considers the services of the public safety telecommunicators to be critical to the interest of the community; and

WHEREAS, emergencies can occur at any time of the day and night. They can range from a serious medical emergency, to an active fire or need for law enforcement assistance. Often when an individual encounter's an emergency they reach for the phone and dial 911. The men and women who answer these calls for help are trained to gather essential information, dispatch the proper resources and provide vital information and instructions to a caller in distress; and

WHEREAS, public safety telecommunicators are more than a calm and reassuring voice at the end of the phone. They are knowledgeable and skilled professionals who work closely with law enforcement, fire and medical personnel; and

WHEREAS, our County enjoys a high standard of public health and safety and we owe a great deal of gratitude to them. During this special observance we extend a profound thank you to each operator who answers our request for help -- Tom, Brittany, Robin, Yesenia, Kathe, Kathy, Tauni, Carissa, Charlotte and Brooke.

NOW THEREFORE, the Malheur County Court Proclaims the week of April 12<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> to be Malheur County Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week. We invite all residents to observe this week in honor of our telecommunicators who help protect our health and safety.

Judge Joyce signed the proclamation.

#### **LETTER OF SUPPORT - COMMUNITY IN ACTION GRANT APPLICATION**

Commissioner Wilson moved the Court sign a letter of support for Community in Action's (CinA) grant application for a USDA (United States Department of Agriculture) Section 533 Housing Preservation Grant. If received, the grant funds will provide additional rehabilitation efforts within the housing repair program. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Commissioner Hodge did disclose that he is a board member for Community in Action.) Judge Joyce signed the letter; see instrument #2020-1353

#### **CHECK REGISTER**

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the Accounts Payable Register for January, February, and March 2020. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **CROSSING PERMIT**

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Crossing Permit #18-20 to Track Utilities LLC for work on Holly Road #1022. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The original permit will be kept on file at the Road Department.

#### **COURT MINUTES**

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve Court Minutes of April 1, 2020 as written. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

#### **LETTER OF SUPPORT - GCT DEVELOPMENT**

Commissioner Wilson moved the Court sign a letter in support of GCT Development's proposed housing project in Ontario to include a Veteran's Village. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Judge Joyce signed the letter; see instrument [#2020-1354](#)

#### **COURT ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned.