

**MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES**  
**May 10, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Court was called to order by Judge Dan Joyce at 10:00 a.m. in the County Court Office of the Malheur County Courthouse with Commissioner Ron Jacobs and Commissioner Jim Mendiola 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 # 2023-1385

**CROSSING PERMIT**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Crossing Permit #23-23 to Oregon Telephone Corporation for installation of service wire to a new home on Copeland Road #615. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The original permit will be kept on file at the Road Department.

**COURT MINUTES**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Court Minutes of May 3, 2023 as written. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**CONTRACT - NORTHWEST MANAGEMENT**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Contract for Professional Services - Malheur County Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) 2023 Update with Northwest Management Inc. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. A grant was received from the Oregon State Fire Marshall's Office to update the Plan; the last update was in 2009. See instrument # 2023-1386

**AMENDMENT - IGA # 173143**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Ninth Amendment to Oregon Health Authority 2022 Intergovernmental Agreement for the Financing of Community Mental Health, Addiction Treatment, Recovery, & Prevention, and Problem Gambling Services #173143. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS) funds are adjusted. A copy will be returned for recording. See instrument #2023-1402

**EXTENSION - ENGINEERING NORTHWEST**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to extend the project completion date for the Agreement for Professional Services with Engineering Northwest LLC (Limited Liability Corporation) to May 24, 2023. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. (Original Agreement is recorded as instrument # 2023-1035)

**AMENDMENT - IGA #167562**

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Reinstatement and Amendment 3 to State of Oregon Intergovernmental Agreement # 167562. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The IGA is for the Health Department's peer work program; expiration date is September 29, 2024. A copy will be returned for recording. See instrument #2023-1403

**CHECK REGISTER**

Commissioner Mendiola moved to approve Accounts Payable Register for April 2023. Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**MCDC LINE OF CREDIT**

County Counsel Stephanie Williams reminded the Court that the line of credit from Bank of Eastern Oregon for Malheur County Development Corporation (MCDC) matures in June; Malheur County is the guarantor for the line of credit. A resolution extending and guaranteeing the line of credit for an additional year will be drafted and presented to the Court next week.

**PROCLAMATION - CORRECTIONAL DEPUTY WEEK**

Undersheriff Dave Kesey met with the Court and presented a Proclamation declaring May 7-13 as Correctional Deputy Week; Undersheriff Kesey read the Proclamation:

PROCLAMATION CORRECTIONAL DEPUTY WEEK

MAY 7-13, 2023

BY THE MALHEUR COUNTY COURT, OREGON

WHEREAS, since 1984 the Congress of the United States, and the President of the United States have established the first week of May as National Correctional Officers' Week; and

WHEREAS, Malheur County considers the services of the Sheriff's Correctional Deputies to be critical to the interest of the community; and

WHEREAS, Corrections employees model ethical and pro-social behaviors while holding offenders accountable for their actions and reducing the risk of future criminal behavior and future victimization; and

WHEREAS, Corrections Deputies are highly trained and productive members of the County workforce; 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 member of the corrections staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Malheur County Court proclaims the week of May 7-13, 2023 to be Malheur County Corrections Week. We invite all residents to observe this week in honor of our Corrections Deputies who help to protect our health and safety.

Commissioner Jacobs moved to proclaim the week of May 7-13, 2023 as Malheur County Corrections Week. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **PROCLAMATION - TREATMENT COURT MONTH**

Circuit Court Judge Erin Landis, and SAFE (Stop Addiction Forever) Court Program Coordinator Lydia Machuca, met with the Court and presented a Proclamation declaring the month of May as Treatment Court Month. Judge Landis visited with the Court about the SAFE Court program and answered questions. Judge Landis read the Proclamation:

Malheur County

#### PROCLAMATION

"National Treatment Court Month"

WHEREAS treatment courts have been restoring lives and families for more than three decades; and

WHEREAS there are now nearly 4,000 treatment courts nationwide; and

WHEREAS treatment courts are the cornerstone of justice reform sweeping the nation; and

WHEREAS treatment courts have served more than 1.5 million individuals; and

WHEREAS they are now recognized as the most successful justice system intervention in our nation's history; and

WHEREAS they save an average of \$6,000 for every individual they serve; and

WHEREAS treatment courts significantly improve substance use disorder treatment outcomes, substantially reduce addiction and related crime, and do so at less expense than any other criminal justice strategy; and

WHEREAS treatment courts improve education, employment, housing, and financial stability, promote family reunification, reduce foster care placements, and increase the rate of addicted mothers delivering babies who are fully drug free; and

WHEREAS treatment courts facilitate community-wide partnerships, bringing together public safety and public health; and

WHEREAS treatment courts demonstrate that when one person's rises out of substance use and crime, we all rise.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Malheur County declares that Treatment Court Month be established during the month of May.

Commissioner Jacobs moved to declare May as Treatment Court Month. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Executive Session was called in accordance with ORS (Oregon Revised Statutes) 192.660(2)(h) - Legal Counsel with Judge Joyce presiding and Commissioner Jacobs and Commissioner Mendiola present; also present were County Counsel Stephanie Williams and Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois. No decisions were made during or following the session.

### **COURT ADJOURNMENT**

Judge Joyce adjourned the meeting.

\*\* Oregon Health Authority Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) #170516 for Environmental Health Services recorded as instrument # 2023-1427