

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES

May 13, 2020

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Court was called to order by Commissioner Larry Wilson at 9:00 a.m. in the County Court Office of the Malheur County Courthouse with Commissioner Don Hodge present telephonically. Judge Joyce was not present. Staff present was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois and County Counsel Stephanie Williams. Various members of the public, media, and staff were present at various times of the meeting electronically. 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 #[2020-1684](#)

PROCLAMATION - OLDER AMERICANS MONTH

MCOA&CS (Malheur Council on Aging & Community services) Executive Director Sandy Shelton presented the Older Americans Month proclamation:

Proclamation of 2020

Malheur Council on Aging & Community Services strives to raise community awareness about Older Americans Month. Malheur Council on Aging & Community Services assist older Americans of Malheur County of Oregon by serving home delivered & congregate meals, family caregiver support, transportation & much more.

Older Americans Month 2020

Whereas, Malheur County of Oregon includes a growing number of older Americans who enrich our community through their diverse life experiences; and

Whereas, Malheur County of Oregon is committed to strengthening our community by connecting with and supporting older adults, their families, and caregivers and acknowledging their many valuable contributions to society; and

Whereas, Malheur County of Oregon recognizes the importance of bringing together all generations and engaging in activities that promote physical, mental, and emotional well-being for the benefit of all; and

Whereas, Malheur County of Oregon can enhance the lives of older Americans in our community by:

- promoting home and community-based services that support independent living;
- involving older adults in community events and other activities; and
- providing opportunities for older adults to work, volunteer, learn, lead, and mentor.

Now, therefore, we of Malheur County of Oregon do hereby proclaim May 2020 to be Older Americans Month. We urge every resident to take time during this month to recognize older adults and the people who serve them as essential and valuable members of our community.

Dated this 13th day of May 2020. Commissioner Wilson signed the proclamation.

Ms. Shelton explained that a free drive in hot lunch event will be held on Friday, May 15th for clients with a focus on the veteran population over the age of 60; approximately 50 individuals will be served.

POVERTY TO PROSPERITY (P2P) REQUEST

The Court again tabled the request from Poverty to Prosperity to contribute \$40,000 to support a county-wide COVID-19 recovery response development program/position as Judge Joyce was not present and they wanted all three members to be present to discuss the request.

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Court Minutes of May 6, 2020 as written. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed.

ODOT AGREEMENT - CARES 5311 FORMULA FUNDING

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Rail and Public Transit Division Oregon Department of Transportation Agreement No. 34237, Operating 5311. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. Funding is in the amount of \$217,106 to provide relief from expenses incurred in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. A subcontract will be drafted with Malheur Council on Aging and Community Services. A copy of the agreement will be returned for recording.

CORNER PRESERVATION FUND POLICY

Commissioner Wilson moved to adopt the 2020 Policy of the Malheur County Surveyor: Use of Public Land Corner Preservation Fund for Monumentation of Public Land Survey Corners in the Course of Performing Survey Work with a review in one year and request that the county surveyor keep track of his time and activity with corners. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. (This policy replaces the 2018 policy recorded with the County Clerk as instrument # [2018-1928](#))

Commissioner Wilson read written comments submitted by Dan Cummings thanking the Court for consideration of the policy.

See instrument #[2020-1686](#) for the 2020 policy.

CROSSING PERMIT

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Crossing Permit #21-20 to Track Utilities LLC for work on Sunset Drive #891. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed.

BUSINESS OREGON STATE OF OREGON COVID-19 EMERGENCY BUSINESS ASSISTANCE MATCHING FUND REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Ms. Williams explained that Business Oregon announced a State of Oregon COVID-19 Emergency Business Assistance Matching Fund Request for Proposals (RFP) last week. County staff is working with Eastern Oregon Border Board to possibly partner and prepare a response to the request for proposal. A robust marketing program is a requirement of the program; Border Board will put up the match funds; the County will provide fiscal oversight; and County will provide staff time and resources. The RFP is due May 18th. Consensus of the Court was to move forward with the proposed partnership with Border Board; and Commissioner Wilson moved to authorize County Judge Dan Joyce to sign the necessary documents to submit the RFP by May 18th. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed.

ROAD ACCEPTANCE

Commissioner Hodge moved to accept road dedication of a portion of Vale View Road on Kent and Shirley Vandewall's Partition Plat # 20-07. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. See instrument # [2020-1687](#)

SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET RESOLUTION

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Resolution No. R20-19: In the Matter of Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Supplemental Budget by Resolution Under Local Budget Law ORS 294.471. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. The purpose of the supplemental budget resolution is to allocate additional HB (House Bill) 3194 Reinvestment Grant funds in the amount of \$37,551 from the Department of Corrections that were not anticipated when the adopted budget was prepared; the funds are to be used per the agreement between the State of Oregon and Malheur County. \$25,000 will then be transferred to be used to eventually purchase a new Jail control board. See instrument # [2020-1685](#)

COURT ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.

Updated Plan for Reopening Malheur County, dated May 13, 2020 recorded as instrument # 2020-1701