

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES

September 2, 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 present and Commissioner Larry Wilson present telephonically. Staff present was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois. Various members of the public, media and staff were present 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 # 2020-3165

PUBLIC HEARING - SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET

Judge Joyce opened the public hearing for consideration of supplemental budget Resolution R20-35. Notice of the hearing was published in the Argus Observer. A public hearing was required as the supplemental budget will adjust the current budget fund by 10% or more of the expenditures of that fund. No public comments were received. Judge Joyce closed the hearing. Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Resolution R20-35: In the Matter of Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Supplemental Budget by Resolution Under Local Budget Law ORS 294.471. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The purpose of the supplemental budget is to allocate Cash on Hand funds in the County Fair Fund that were not anticipated when the adopted budget was prepared; the funds are to be used for improvements on the Fairgrounds. See instrument # 2020-3166

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Court Minutes of August 26, 2020 as written. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

CROSSING PERMIT

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Crossing Permit #33-20 to Track Utilities LLC (Limited Liability Corporation) for work along Alameda Drive #863 between Nyssa and Ontario; man holes and hand holes will be installed. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The original permit will be kept on file at the Road Department.

PROCLAMATION - RECOVERY MONTH

Various members of the Malheur County Drug Free Communities Coalition were present electronically for the signing of the Proclamation declaring September 2020 as Mental Health, Substance Use, and Problem Gambling Recovery Month. Jennifer Shaffer read the proclamation:

MALHEUR COUNTY PROCLAMATION

Mental health, substance use and problem gambling disorders affect all communities nationwide. With commitment and support, our family members, friends, colleagues, and community members

with these disorders can achieve healthy lifestyles and lead rewarding lives in recovery. By seeking help, people who experience mental health, substance use and/or problem gambling disorders can embark on a new path toward improved health and overall wellness. The focus of our local theme for Recovery Month for September 2020 is “Hands Around the Community for Recovery: We Are in This Together!” To celebrate their journey, we recognize the challenges of recovery and we support them! We realize the need to share resources and build networks that support recovery in all forms, as we are all part of the solution. Recovery Month and Hands Around the Community for Recovery spreads the message that behavioral health is essential to one’s overall health and wellness, and that prevention works, treatment is effective, and people do recover.

The impact of mental health and substance use disorders is apparent in our country, with 9.2 million adults having had a co-occurring mental illness and substance use disorder in 2018. Oregon ranks first among all states for adults with substance use disorders and third in the nation for youth with substance use disorders. Additionally, an estimated 83,800 adult Oregonians have moderate or severe gambling disorders. These conditions in one way or another affect us all. Through Recovery Month, people become more aware and able to recognize the signs of mental health, substance use, and problem gambling disorders, which can help guide more people into needed treatment. Managing the effects of these conditions can help people achieve healthy lifestyles, both physically and emotionally.

The Recovery Month observance continues to work to improve the lives of those affected by mental health, substance use or problem gambling disorders by raising awareness of these diseases and educating communities about the prevention, treatment, and recovery resources that are available. For the above reasons, we are asking the citizens of Malheur County to join us in celebrating this September as Recovery Month.

We, as Malheur County Court, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2020 as

**MENTAL HEALTH, SUBSTANCE USE, AND PROBLEM GAMBLING
RECOVERY MONTH**

in Malheur County, we call upon our community to observe this month with compelling programs and events that support this year’s observance.

Commissioner Hodge moved to declare September 2020 as Mental Health, Substance Use, and Problem Gambling Recovery Month. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The annual Hands Around the Park event will not be held this year due to COVID-19; Hands Around the Community for Recovery will be celebrated instead with chalk art taking place on various city sidewalks.

EASTERN OREGON EARLY LEARNING HUB - UPDATED BYLAWS

Kelly Poe, Director of Eastern Oregon Early Learning Hub explained that the bylaws for the Hub have been amended and that each county (Malheur, Baker, and Wallowa) will be asked to approve the amended bylaws. The goals and objectives of the Hub align with the Raise Up Oregon campaign. The Court had reviewed the proposed changes and had no questions for Ms. Poe. Commissioner Hodge moved to approve the amended Eastern Oregon Early Learning Hub Bylaws. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed unanimously. A copy will be returned for recording.

2020 CENSUS

Commissioner Hodge and Judge Joyce encouraged the community to complete their 2020 Census.

COURT ADJOURNMENT

Judge Joyce adjourned the meeting.