

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES

October 10, 2018

County Court met with Commissioner Don Hodge presiding and Commissioner Larry Wilson present. Staff present was Administrative Officer Lorinda DuBois and County Counsel Stephanie Williams.

MCOA&CS- STIF PLAN/FUNDING

Malheur Council on Aging and Community Services (MCOA&CS) Executive Director Loni Thomas, Deputy Director April MacKenzie, and Transportation Manager Brittany Young met with the Court. Ms. Thomas explained that the Malheur County State Transportation Improvement Fund (STIF) Committee had met and recommended that STIF funding be used to assist with expansion of the public transit fleet and the bus barn facility expansion to provide for sustainability for the general public transportation program. The capital investment will support the increased frequency and expansion of bus service to areas with a high percentage of low-income households and assist with implementation of programs to provide student transit services. Ms. Thomas also reviewed the STIF application that the County (Qualified Entity) will need to submit to ODOT; the deadline for submittal is November 1, 2018. STIF funding will be distributed April 2019; funding will be used to assist with land acquisition and related design and engineering to expand the bus barn facility; additionally, \$6,000 will be used for city and county outreach efforts.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the STIF plan of sustainability for SRT Malheur Express general public transportation as recommended by the STIF Advisory Committee. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed.

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve the STIF FY 2019 funding to expand public transit fleet through the bus barn facility capital expansion as recommended by the STIF Advisory Committee. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed.

The Court signed a letter addressed to ODOT approving the recommendations of the STIF Advisory Committee to be submitted with the STIF application. See instrument #[2018-3831](#)

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Court Minutes of October 3, 2018 as written. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed.

AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT - NEY

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve First Amendment to Agreement for Temporary Environmental Health Specialist Services - Restaurant Inspections (Melissa Ney) Recorded with Malheur County Clerk as Instrument Number [2018-3741](#). Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. The amendment provides for provisions related to the State mandatory sick leave law. See instrument #[2018-3832](#)

BOPTA ORDER

Commissioner Wilson moved to approve Order No. GO-14-18: In the Matter of the Appointment of Members to the 2019 Board of Property Tax Appeals (BOPTA) Chairperson's Pool and Non-Office Holding Pool. Commissioner Hodge seconded and the motion passed. Gary Fugate and Ellen Sheffield are appointed to the Chairperson's Pool; Ellen Sheffield, Edwin (Eddie) Heid and Ross Nishihara are appointed to the Non-Office Holding Pool. See instrument [#2018-3833](#)

CROSSING PERMIT

Commissioner Hodge moved to approve Crossing Permit #44-18 to Oregon Telephone Corporation to install fiber from Beulah Road to the Bentz Ranch on Cemetery Road #616. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed. The original permit will be kept on file at the Road Department.

TRANSFER OF FUNDS

County Counsel Stephanie Williams explained that the Outside Legal Counsel line-item was depleted and requested that additional funds be transferred into it. The County may need outside legal counsel services of Attorney Jackie Damm for employment related issues as well as outside legal counsel services to assist with the Calico Grassy Mountain goldmine project. Commissioner Hodge moved to approve \$5,000 be moved from Contingency to Outside Legal Counsel. Commissioner Wilson seconded and the motion passed.

COURT ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.