

MALHEUR COUNTY COURT MINUTES
December 4, 2024

The regularly scheduled meeting of the County Court was called to order by Judge Dan Joyce with Commissioner Ron Jacobs and Commissioner Jim Mendiola present. Members of the media, public and staff had the opportunity to join the meeting electronically or in-person. Present in the meeting room were Economic and Community Development Coordinator Taylor Rembowski and Planning Director Carol Parker. 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 # 2024-3295

APPEAL HEARING - APPEAL WITHDRAWN - RAGE DEVELOPMENT

Judge Joyce announced that the appeal hearing would not be held as the appellant had withdrawn its appeal and that the Planning Commission decision would remain in effect. On Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 11:55 a.m. the following was received from Andy Cockell with Maverick Towers: Maverick Towers is withdrawing its appeal of the Malheur County Planning Commission decision to approve the application of Matthew Schutjer (Rage Development)/landowner: Christopher and Rebecca Ray, for a Conditional Use Permit for a Wireless Telecommunication Facility in an Exclusive Farm Use zone pursuant to MCC Title 6, Conditional Uses 6-6-7, 6-6-8-1, 6-6-8-8, ORS (Oregon Revised Statutes) 215.283, ORS 215.213, and OAR 660, Division 130, Agricultural Lands - OAR 660-130-0130(16).

Ms. Parker left the meeting.

CROSSING PERMITS

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve Crossing Permit #86-24 to High Tech Utilities Sparklight for work on Hyline Road, #911; and Crossing Permit #87-24 to Idaho Power for work on Onion Avenue #1102. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Original permits will be kept on file at the Road Department.

COURT MINUTES

Commissioner Mendiola moved to approve Court Minutes of November 20, 2024 as written. Commissioner Jacobs seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AUDIT

Commissioner Jacobs moved to approve the County's audit for the year ended June 30, 2024. Commissioner Mendiola seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The audit was presented to the Court on November 20, 2024.

OLCC LICENSE - ODOM CORPORATION

Commissioner Mendiola moved to recommend approval of an OLCC (Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission) Liquor License for The Odom Corporation. Commissioner Jacobs

seconded and the motion passed unanimously. The license type is Wholesale Malt Beverage and Wine and the premises address is 2252 SW 4th Avenue, Ontario.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Sonny Mackenzie commented on the condition of Crowley Road. Mr. Mackenzie commented that the County has only graded the first 25 miles from Coleman Service Station to Dry Creek for the last 2.5 years; no road improvements have been done beyond Dry Creek since May 2022. Mr. Mackenzie suggested the County contract out the maintenance of the road to a private contractor; or have the County road crew camp on Crowley Road to save on commute time. Mr. Mackenzie commented that the road is in dire need of improvements and needs gravel.

COURT ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned.