



Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting
May 1, 2020 ~ 1:30pm ~ Room 214

5/1/2020 - Minutes

**1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To
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2. Call To Order & Those Present

Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Amanda Van Riper / Human Resources; Vickie Noel / Finance; Jennifer Little / Public Health; Marcus Henderson / County Counsel; Brandon Fowler / Emergency Management.

3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting

Approved.

4. Amanda Van Riper - Human Resources

1. Pension Details Discussion

Amanda Van Riper and Marcus Henderson address the Board. Ms. Van Riper said Adam Collier had a couple questions about switching to the defined comp plan, 401A. She asked for clarification on when the amounts will become vested for the employee. Commissioner Boyd said 5 years. Commissioner DeGroot said we agreed on a 5 year vesting schedule and 20% annually. She also asked which accounts the County/employee contributions go into? Mr. Henderson clarified the County will contribute 4%, the employee's can contribute 6% and the County will match 50%. Commissioner DeGroot said he thought they were going into the 401A. Commissioner Boyd said we're only going to match 50% up to 6%. Mr. Henderson said there maybe a statutory max in the 457. The Board agreed for it to go into the 401A.

5. Vickie Noel / Finance

1. Interfund Loan Fairgrounds

Vickie Noel addresses the Board. She met with the Fairgrounds last week regarding their budget. She has a supplemental budget scheduled for May 12 to reduce their revenue and expenses and an interdepartmental loan of \$279,333.00. Commissioner Boyd asks, where did the loan number come from? He said, in his thinking he'd say \$300,000.00 or \$280,000.00 Ms. Noel said, we went through their budget for this fiscal year and that was the

amount they were off. Commissioner DeGroot confirmed, that is for this fiscal year, 2019-2020. Ms. Noel said the loan is coming from the equipment reserve fund which had over \$400,000.00 in reserve. She said for this current year it seemed like the right spot. Commissioner Boyd confirmed, zero interest. The Board was in agreement to proceed.

6. BOCC

1. Reopening Plan Discussion

Commissioner Morris asked the Board to review the draft reopening plan. There will be a call with the Governor today at 3:30 to discuss new details on reopening the State. She said it's her understanding that we may be able to submit our paperwork as early as Monday. Commissioner Boyd said he'd like to follow Modoc County and open on Monday. He said we have 8 active cases and we are violating people's constitutional rights and he doesn't feel the Governor has the authority to take that from us. He said, it will take one County to stand up and then the other eastern counties will follow. Commissioner Morris asks what do you mean by reopen because we only closed our buildings. Commissioner Boyd said reopen businesses, elective surgeries, restaurants and the movie theater. He said he knows that won't happen anyway so he wants to go through the document. Commissioner DeGroot expressed concerns about businesses getting fines for going against the Governor's Order. Commissioner Boyd said, it should be left up to the businesses. Commissioner Morris said she thinks that's where it is now. Commissioner Boyd asks about paragraph 1A in the prerequisite. Commissioner DeGroot said he knows everyone is frustrated and he is too and the target can't keep moving. The Board discussed the Governor's Prerequisites for Phased Reopening document that was sent out this morning. Commissioner DeGroot asks about the number of contract tracers. Ms. Little said, we'd would need about 9, currently we have 7 on our staff and we have 4 volunteer applications. She said we have the resources but they are not up and running now. Commissioner Boyd said, we have the testing rate of 30 per 100,000 per week. Ms. Little said, we are working to setup mobile testing sites. Commissioner Boyd asks, do we need one in Gilchrist and Bonanza? Ms. Little said she reached out the Gilchrist School and they said most people are going up to LaPine. She said, we are looking and Merrill, Malin, Chiloquin, Bonanza and the urban growth boundary. Mr. Fowler asks if there is a partnership opportunity with the Tribe for testing. Ms. Little said, yes. Commissioner Morris said she thinks we satisfy this. The Board discusses concerns about regions versus counties. Commissioner Morris said, that is a good question for the call this afternoon. Ms. Little said we are very fortunate that we have the testing capacity here that we do the only thing we need to put more thought into is isolation facilities. She said, we have not secured that yet. Commissioner DeGroot asks, is it just that we have to have the capacity or do we have to have quotes or go out for RFP? Commissioner Morris said she thinks something written from a hotelier would satisfy it. Ms. Little said, as she understands it, alot of motels and hotels are unwilling to let people come in and quarantine. Commissioner DeGroot asks, how many rooms do we need? Mr. Fowler said, you could use the same metric the hospital is using, 32. Commissioner DeGroot asks, are we going to have to rent a whole

hotel? He said, he can make some phone calls. Mr. Fowler said, Microtel reached out 6 weeks ago and said they have space if we need it. Ms. Little said, we need to loop in Christina Zamora from KLCAS on this. Ms. Little said she doesn't feel one month is long enough. Commissioner Boyd said, we need to know how many rooms we need and what the expectation is. Commissioner Morris said she feels the 32 surge number that the hospital is using is accurate. Commissioner DeGroot will talk with Christina from KLCAS. Ms. Little said we can bring in a fogger and do decontamination after the person leaves. Board discusses the cost of renting a hotel. The Board reviewed the reopening plan. Commissioner DeGroot said, we should push back and it should be 6' apart and/or 50% capacity. He also said we should push back on closing bars at 10pm. Commissioner Boyd asks about the maximum capacity and whether is the Fire Marshall's maximum capacity. Commissioner Morris said the speculation from the Governor's Office is that after 10pm there is more alcohol consumed and therefore less attention is being paid to the guidelines. Commissioner DeGroot asks if the Board is going to meet again on Monday to finalize and sign everything. The Board agreed to schedule another work session on Monday at 8:30am.

7. Other County Business

Airport Master Plan Virtual Open House - Linda Tepper from the Airport sent an email requesting the Airport's Master Plan Virtual Open House be put on our website calendar. The Board agreed by consensus to add it to our calendar.

8. Adjournment

2:25pm

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