



Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting
August 5, 2020 ~ 10:00am ~ Room 214

8/5/2020 - Minutes

1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To www.klamathcounty.org

2. Call To Order & Those Present

Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Vickie Noel, Kirby Garlitz / Finance; Jessica Chastain / Information Technology; Glen Gregory / Maintenance; Dan Colcleaser, Mac & Linda McVey.

3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting

4. Dan Colcleaser, Pat & Lois McVey - Issue With Article 82 Camping

Dan Colcleaser addresses the Board regarding camping permitted as an additional use. He said, article 82 seems to override 52.3. He expressed concerns about people illegally camping in the Sprague River Pines subdivision. He had concerns about potential fires, one-way ingress and egress and confrontations between illegal campers and residents. Lois McVey addresses the Board to express similar concerns. She thanked Jason and Code Enforcement for all they've done. She asked the Board to forbid camping in residential neighborhoods. Commissioner Boyd said he understands the frustration. Commissioner DeGroot said he was able to look at the documents Mr. Colcleaser submitted to the Board and he had our Planning, Code Enforcement and Public Works Directors review the documents as well. He said he is all ears for ideas on ways we can be more productive on limiting this and getting rid of it. Erik Nobel reviews our camping definition and rule. He said, if we repeal this, we might see a slight decrease but Code Enforcement would still be chasing illegal camping all over the County. Mac McVey addresses the Board to express similar concerns and public safety concerns. He said, we are asking for a mechanism to prevent campers from coming in to their subdivision. Lois McVey asks for a sign posted at the entrance to the subdivision that says, no camping. Commissioner Boyd said everyone here feels the same way, we want to help you, the question is how we can do it. It takes awhile to change ordinances and things. He said he's sure there will be lots of conversations about how we can help. Commissioner Boyd said he feels people are using Klamath County as a place to hide. Commissioner Morris asks if the Board would like to have another work session regarding this. She also suggested having one Commissioner take the lead. Commissioner DeGroot said he likes the idea of engaging the Planning Commission on this. He said enforcement will always be an issue. Commissioner Boyd said he likes Commissioner Morris' idea. Commissioner DeGroot said he'd like to have Erik, Jeremy and Rick review it and get their thoughts and then engage the Planning Commission. Commissioner Boyd will continue to work as a liaison on the citizen side of the issue.

5. Tourism Grant Committee Recommendations - COVID Emergency Response Grant Program

Vickie Noel addresses the Board. Commissioner Morris motions to approve the slate as presented by the grant review panel and pull out the Steen Sports Park award. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

Commissioner DeGroot motions to approve the to Steen Sports complex award. Commissioner Boyd seconds. Commissioner Morris recuses herself. Commissioner Boyd and Commissioner DeGroot vote in favor. Approved.

6. Jessica Chastain - Information Technology

1. CARES Funding

Jessica Chastain addresses the Board. She'd like to use some of the CARES funding to purchase some equipment to include more laptops and additional servers to streamline telecommuting and more storage. Commissioner Boyd said, the laptops could easily be justified, but how could storage be justified? Ms. Chastain said the public will have more information available online so they wouldn't have to come in and interface with staff and we wouldn't have as much paper passing around. Commissioner DeGroot said, it is digital access for the public. He'd like to have capacity for all the departments to go digital. Ms. Chastain said one other item she'd like is multifactor identification. She said, it would be about \$50,000 to get started and then an ongoing cost. She hasn't started quoting that out yet. Commissioner Morris asks, is the Board comfortable with empowering Jessica with getting quotes and starting to move forward. Commissioner Boyd suggests discussing it further after having further discussion to prioritize. Commissioners agreed to have her move forward on getting quotes.

7. Other County Business

CARES funding - Commissioner DeGroot said he knows folks are working on things and there's been alot of ideas bounced around. He has been working on ways to help the schools and he knows we are working to upgrade technology in our conference rooms. Jessica Chastain said she has gone out for RFP and expects technology could be in the rooms by November. Commissioner DeGroot reminded the Board the funds need to be expended by the end of the year. Commissioner Boyd asks to start moving forward on things now. He said, he feels we need to have a more permanent refrigeration system sitting up at the hospital for the temporary morgue, it would be \$50,000-\$60,000. He would also like to purchase a fuel tank as we have been borrowing one from Staub. Commissioner DeGroot said the investigative work he's done for helping out the schools is at least one million dollars. Commissioner Morris said, the things Commissioner Boyd talked about were good ideas and she would like to proceed. Commissioner Boyd said, there is interest in touchless papertowel dispensers, soap dispensers and faucets. Commissioner DeGroot said, I'd like to have costs figured out. Glen Gregory said he can get a cost on the touchless items for bathrooms. Commissioner Boyd would like Ms. Chastain to go ahead with what she talked about earlier. Commissioner DeGroot agreed. Commissioner Boyd recommended running everything by our Treasurer to

ensure it would be covered. Vickie Noel said she would appreciate that. She said counties are being audited for their COVID expenses and there is constantly new communications coming out on what is covered. Commissioner DeGroot asks about purchasing an electric reefer instead of a diesel run reefer for the temporary morgue. Commissioner DeGroot said, he is fine with it becoming a hospital asset. Commissioner Boyd questions whether or not that would relieve us of the State requirement of providing it. Commissioner DeGroot said, if we do that, we could do an agreement with the hospital. The Commissioners agreed for Ms. Chastain to proceed with her requests. Mr. Gregory asks about getting a temporary 1000 gallon fuel tank from Staub. Commissioner Boyd said he's not sure the hospital would like it up there. Commissioner Boyd said, it'd be more efficient and easier to have an electric one. Commissioner DeGroot said he would like to potentially add on to the IT upgrades for the conference rooms to include the Public Health Annex and the South Portal building so Discover Klamath, The Chamber and KCEDA would have access to better support for their conference room and it could be used as one of the ways we're trying to lift the community up.

Quarantine Housing - Commissioner Boyd said, Jennifer is extremely worried about quarantine and he's sure we could use COVID money to help. He said he has heartburn with a house that is out of sight out of mind but we could move a small mobile home up by the annex. Commissioner DeGroot said he likes the agreement we're working on with the hotels.

8. Adjournment

11:15am

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