



Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting  
April 9, 2020 ~ 3:30 pm ~ Room 214

4/9/2020 - Minutes

**1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To [www.klamathcounty.org](http://www.klamathcounty.org)**

**2. Call To Order & Those Present**

Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Boyd, Sandy Cox, Haley Huffman/Admin Staff, Marc Henderson/Counsel, Jeremy Morris/Public Works, Rick Vaughn/Tax Collector; Terry Wells / Property Sales, Vickie Noel / Finance.

**3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**

Commissioner Morris approves minutes from the 4/3/20 Work Session meeting.

**4. In The Matter Of Approval Of A Resolution For Workers' Compensation Coverage For Selected Volunteer Workers Of Klamath County. - Leslie Barlow Hunter, Risk Management**

Leslie Barlow Hunter addresses the Board. Commissioner DeGroot motions. Commissioner Morris seconds. Commissioner Boyd questions if the Board should stop all volunteers at this time. Commissioner Morris and Commissioner DeGroot agree to make the decision based on what is appropriate in each department. Unanimous vote. Approved.

**5. Rick Vaughn - Tax Collector**

**1. Expedited Foreclosures: 36850 Highway 62, Chiloquin, OR 37743 & Deerfield Rd, Chiloquin, OR**

Rick Vaughn addresses the Board. The 36850 Highway 62 property has no liens and as far as they no the owner is not deceased. Commissioner DeGroot asks about the process. Mr. Vaughn said from the time you say go we schedule a hearing 30 days out and then it's another 30 days.

Commissioner Morris said there is Board consensus to go ahead with the process on this one. Mr. Vaughn explains the Deerfield Road property. He said there is no confirmation that the owners are deceased. Commissioner Boyd motions to put the above two properties into the expedited foreclosure process. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Commissioner DeGroot asks Mr. Vaughn to make sure legal counsel looks at these. Mr. Vaughn said he's already done that. Unanimous vote. Approved.

**6. BOCC**

### **1. Employee Travel Ban Extension**

Commissioner Morris explains this originally had a two week deadline. She said she hasn't heard of any departments traveling anyway. Commissioner Boyd asks about the April 28th date. Commissioners agreed that will be a good date to extend the travel ban to. They would like to revisit the travel ban and the by-appointment-only for County buildings on April 28th. Commissioner DeGroot motions. Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

### **2. Letter To Medical Community**

Commissioner Morris said the Board received a letter from local physicians. She compiled a list of everything the Board is doing. Commissioner DeGroot said, he'd like to add the purchase of the masks to the list. Commissioner Boyd said, he'd like the language to be "we purchased a large quantity of N95 masks" because he feels there will be a certain group of people that will ask for all we have if we list the quantity. Board agreed to send the letter.

### **3. Food Bank Request**

Commissioner Morris said we received a letter from the Food Bank, they are looking for a large property to house their food distribution. Commissioner Boyd will do some checking.

### **4. County Heroes Buttons**

Commissioner Morris said she received information about a program started in Tillamook County where they are giving buttons to County Heroes. Commissioner Morris said she'd like to do some kind of recognition for all those people who are still working. Commissioner Morris said she liked the idea of getting giftcards and also thought it could be some type of program to purchase giftcards from local restaurants to help the restaurants and to recognize those who are working. Commissioner DeGroot said he likes the idea of recognizing those who are on the front lines. Commissioner Boyd said he thinks everyone today is calling everyone a hero. He feels we need to thank people and sayatta boy but to recognize everyone is a hero because they're standing in the grocery line, he has a little bit of a problem that everyone is a hero. Commissioner DeGroot said you have a problem with the word hero but still want to recognize them in some way. Commissioner DeGroot said coming up with something at low expense to recognize people is good. Commissioner Morris said, maybe we try to set up something where not everyone is recognized but if your agency/business wants to call out your people, I don't know what it would look like but put it on the businesses. Commissioner Boyd suggested calling Lindsey Smith for ideas. Commissioner Morris will reach out to her and other creative people.

### **5. Approve And Sign Round 2 Contractor Incentive Grant Recipient Agreements**

Sandy Cox addresses the Board and presents the remaining agreements

for the Contractor Incentive Grant Program applicants that need signatures. Commissioner DeGroot motions to approve and sign the agreements as presented. Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

#### **6. Approval Of Expedited Public Works Projects**

Commissioner DeGroot explains Jeremy Morris has put together a list of Public Works projects, most are maintenance type projects. He said all of these would come back to the Board for approval but he'd like the Board to review and approve the list and authorize Public Works to go out for quotes and bring the quotes back to the Board. Commissioners agree by consensus for Mr. Morris to go out for quotes for the projects on the list.

#### **7. Authorize Board Chair To Sign Documents With US Bank, OEBC And Nationwide Replacing Lisa Wheeler With Amanda Van Riper**

Sandy Cox addresses the Board, explains there are multiple plans that Lisa Wheeler was the administrator for and we need to replace her with Amanda Van Riper, such as PERS, Nationwide, OEBC and US Bank, asking for authorization and signatures to make that change. Commissioner DeGroot motions to authorize the Board Chair and Commissioner Boyd on the PERS document to sign the documents replacing Lisa Wheeler with Amanda Van Riper. Commissioner Boyd seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

#### **8. Klamath Basin Shoulder Season Follow-Up**

Commissioner Morris said, she received an email from Discover Klamath about the shoulder season and TRT. She thought it might be good to have representatives from the Fairgrounds and Discover Klamath. Commissioner Boyd said he'd like to hear from the grant committee.

Sandy Cox said Finance asked to have a special meeting to present their recommendations for the Spring Grant Cycle. Commissioners agreed to schedule a Work Session after budget hearings on Thursday. Board would like the Committee members to attend the meeting via WebEx.

#### **9. Solid Waste - Logo Usage Agreement With Dry Creek**

Sandy Cox addresses the Board, Dry Creek Landfill, our partner with Solid Waste, would like to issue a joint press release cancelling the free Spring Clean-Up day. They would like to use our Logo on the Press release, as such we require a Logo Usage agreement be signed by both parties. Commissioner DeGroot motions to approve the logo usage agreement with Dry Creek as presented. Commissioner Boyd seconds. Commissioner DeGroot said as soon as we're able to have a large number of people at the landfill, we will reschedule. Unanimous vote. Approved.

#### **7. Other County Business**

Commissioner DeGroot said the Planning Director would like feedback on the scheduling of the dates, for the Planning Commission to meet on the South Suburban Sanitary District

applications. He asks the Board, would you like site two ahead of site one or allow it to be after site one? Board agreed they prefer site two first.

Commissioner Boyd said he participated in a natural resources call with AOC. He said, there will be a lot of money coming into the State, if you really look at it the counties are doing the public health thing, Vickie is doing a lot of this already, but they suggested taking the people who are working from home and saying we are going to take 50% of their salaries and start demanding that the money from the State comes to the County. We need to start asking for what we're spending. Commissioner Morris asks if we should craft some language to send to Department Heads to guide them on tracking these things. Commissioner Boyd said he will work with staff.

## 8. Adjournment

4:19pm

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