

# **CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Approval Date November 12, 2019 Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex 94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon www.co.curry.or.us

# BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING Minutes May 15, 2019

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order by Chair Dukek at 10:46 a.m. Present were Chair Ken Dukek, Vice-Chair Brad Alcorn, Court Boice Budget Committee Member, Sue Gold Budget Committee Member Christopher Paasch Budget Committee Member, and Richard Thode Budget Committee Member

Also present: Legal Counsel John Huttl, Budget Officer Louise Kallstrom, Director of Operations Julie Schmelzer, and Administrative Assistant John Jezuit

The Pledge was recited by all.

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Skip Hunter read a letter about the sexually oriented retail establishment in Harbor. He is not in support of the establishment due to the community standards definition and the location. Connie Hunter spoke about veteran's issues and stated she agrees with budget committee decisions.

## 3. TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Kallstrom cited funds that have not yet been looked at – Law Library, Cornerstone, State Court Security, PEG (Public Education Government) access.

## Elections-Renee Kolen, Clerk

Kolen introduced Shelley Denny, Elections Administrator/Chief Deputy Clerk. Denney gave a brief overview of the Clerk's department, spoke about the department's experience level, detailed the number of marriage licenses issued, number of passport applications handled, and the amount of revenues collected for the surveyor, state housing and community. Denney also spoke about the effect of ballot measures on the cost of elections, the impact the cost has on the budget and the voting software loan. Kolen spoke about changes in number of office staff and changes to office area. Thode asked about interest amount paid for software, suggested borrowing from road fund as it may save interest, suggested increase in travel expense, and asked about passport revenues. Paasch observed copier and printing expenses up due to ballot issues. Boice commented on the increased room in Clerk's office.

#### Recording Budget

Renee Kolen spoke about changes to the recording budget and explained why it has been reduced.

#### Clerk's Reserve Fund

Shelley Denny explained where the revenues come from and the restrictions on using those funds.

For detailed information on any agenda item, refer to Audio/Video.

#### BOPTA (Board Of Property Tax Appeals)

Shelley Denney explained details of the budget.

Kallstrom concluded the morning session by addressing changes in the Assessor's budget due to software cost.

Dukek stated the afternoon session will cover Other Requirements, PEG Funds, County Schools, State Security, and Law Library

Kallstrom answered questions about, and explained in detail, the items included in the following budget items: Other Requirements, County Schools, Law Library and State Security and the impact these items have on the budget.

# <u>Public Health-Ben Cannon, Public Health Administrator, Curry County/CCH (Curry Community Health)</u>

Cannon spoke about the Environmental Health services such as restaurant inspections, motel swimming pools, and increase in their budget. Gold asked about accessing Airbnb addresses in case the TLT (Transient Lodging Tax) ordinance passes.

Carl King described history of PEG (Public Educational and Government) programming, use of franchise fees, Curry County Voices equipment and future expectations. Gold stated the kids she knows are very excited about Curry County Voices.

Dukek entered Executive Session for 192 660 (2) (d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations and 192. 660 (2) (f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection at 2:16 p.m. and exited at 2:37 p.m.

Dukek spoke about the agenda for the following day, May 16, 2019.

Paasch announced certain Oregon counties are getting SRS (Secure Rural Schools) funds and Senators Ron Wyden and Jeff Merkley believe select Oregon counties will have PILT (Payment In Lieu of Taxes) monies in perpetuity.

#### 4. ADJOURN

Chair Dukek adjourned the meeting at 2:47 p.m.

Dated this 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2019.

Curry County Budget Committee

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Brad Alcorn, Vice Chair

Court Boice, Member

Sue Gold. Member

Ken Dukek

Christopher S Paasch, Member

Richard Thode, Member

Minutes prepared by: John Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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