



## **CURRY COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**Date Approved:**

March 2, 2022

Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex  
94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon

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### **BUSINESS MEETING MINUTES**

**February 16, 2022**

**Please Note: For detailed information on any agenda item, refer to Audio/Video.**

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

The meeting was called to order by Chair Herzog at 9:00 a.m. Present were Chair John Herzog, Vice Chair Chris Paasch, and Commissioner Court Boice.

Also Present: Legal Counsel Anthony Pope and Administrative Assistant John Jezuit

The Pledge was recited by all.

#### **2. AMENDMENT/APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Boice – Move Agenda Item 5E to Agenda Item 6N

Boice – Move Agenda Items 5H and 5I to Agenda Item 6H

Herzog - Add Agenda Item 6O Cal-Ore Life Flight

Motion by Boice, seconded by Paasch, to approve agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

#### **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mary Rowe (via phone) spoke about ARP (American Rescue Plan) applications and guidelines. Beth Barker-Hidalgo spoke about not disbanding the housing committee and the homeless. George Rhodes spoke about the ARP committee, ARP funds accountability, and water. Manday (?) Addams spoke about the noise ordinance. Vicki Bradley spoke about provisions and comments made in an article about science and masking. Nancy Sue Rose spoke against COVID-19 pandemic mandates and support for food banks. Bret Cecil spoke about the COVID-19 pandemic and protecting those who can't be vaccinated.

#### **4. PRESENTATION**

A. Presentation to the Board – Julie Swift, Payroll and Personnel Coordinator  
Julie Swift spoke about the recent hires.

**THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEM WAS DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6E AND BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 6F.**

B. Proclamation Recognizing Curry Citizen Allen H. Boice, his Veterans Service, Law Enforcement Service and Contributions to Curry County - Commissioner Boice  
Boice, Herzog, and Paasch all spoke highly of Allen Boice.

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## 5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approve Minutes Business Meeting February 2, 2022
- B. Appointment to CCD (Coos Curry Douglas) Board
- C. Commissioner Liaison Change for Economic Development
- D. Clarification of Fees Assessed under the Property Registration Ordinance (No. 20-01)

### AGENDA ITEM 5E MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 6N

- E. Joint Transfer of Parks Duties and Obligations

- F. Approval of Coos-Curry Family Law Plan
- G. Appoint Member to the Planning Commission

### AGENDA ITEMS 5H AND 5I MOVED TO AGENDA ITEM 6H

- H. ARP Reimbursement
- I. ARP Funded Purchase
- J. Signature Authority for \$54,000 Housing Grant

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to approve Consent Agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously.

## 6. **DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS**

- A. Travel Southern Oregon Coast (TSOC) Grant Award (\$40,000) for Aquatic Safety - Luke Martinez, Curry County Aquatic Safety  
A discussion with Boice, Herzog, Martinez, Paasch, and Pope about aquatic safety activities followed.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Paasch, to approve the Travel Southern Coast grant award for Curry County aquatic safety. Motion carried unanimously.

- B. Curry Support for Expansion of the Smith River National Recreation Area – Watershed in Curry County - Commissioner Boice  
A discussion with Boice, Herzog, and Paasch about this important watershed followed.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Herzog, the Board of Commissioners support the expansion of Smith River National Recreation area. Motion carried unanimously.

- C. Roadmaster Signature Authority for \$347,837.50 Contract with Albina Asphalt for 2022 Chip Seal Projects in Central County and USFS (United States Forest Service) Bear Camp Road – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster  
A discussion with Boice, Christensen, Herzog, and Paasch about the project and costs followed.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to support. Motion carried unanimously.

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- D. Roadmaster Signature Authority for \$203,050.00 Contract with Tidewater Contractors for 2022 Chip Seal Projects in Central County and USFS Bear Camp Road – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster  
Christensen spoke about costs.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Paasch, move we approve that. Motion carried unanimously.

- E. Roadmaster Signature Authority to Accept Bid and Award McLennan Excavation Inc. \$122,600 Contract to Repair the Don Cameron Bridge on N. Bank Chetco River Road crossing the N. Fork Chetco – Richard Christensen, Roadmaster  
Christensen summarized the details.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

- F. Disbanding Housing Committee – David Barnes, Treasurer  
(*Barnes was not present for the discussion.*)  
A discussion with Boice and Herzog about the Housing Committee followed. No motions were made.

- G. Rescind 30-day Warning for Doubling Planning Fees - Becky Crockett, Planning Director  
A discussion with Boice, Crockett, Herzog, and Paasch about details of this action followed.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to approve. Motion carried unanimously.

- H. ARP Stakeholder Committee Application Review and Decision – Commissioner Paasch  
A lengthy discussion with Boice; Cecil; Crockett; Herzog; Summer Matteson, Economic Development Coordinator; Paasch; and Rhodes about ARP fund applications, housing, infrastructure, accountability, and timelines ensued.

Motion by Herzog, seconded by Paasch, to approve \$29,799 for Gold Beach Meals On Wheels.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, \$60,000 to Brookings Harbor Community Helpers.  
Motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Herzog, we take \$250,000 and place it with planning and moving forward with housing in Curry County as discussed with our Planning Director. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6I WAS DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6K AND BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 6J.

- I. Pet License – Mel Trover, Code Enforcement Officer, and Commissioner Paasch  
A discussion with Cecil, Herzog, Paasch, and Trover about the license application, dog license revenue, and a proposed cat license followed. Paasch stated he will bring back for further discussion at the March 2, 2022, workshop.

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- J. Vacation Rentals/ ADU's (Accessory Dwelling Unit) Outside the UGB (Urban Growth Boundary) - Commissioner Paasch

A discussion with Boice, Crockett, Herzog, and Paasch about getting information out to the public concerning short term rentals and ADU's followed.

AGENDA ITEM 6K WAS DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6H AND BEFORE AGENDA ITEM 6L.

- K. Wedderburn Fire District Housing - Commissioner Paasch

A discussion with Boice; Karen Kennedy, Chair, GBRFPD (Gold Beach Rural Fire Protection District); Tyson Krieger, Chief, Gold Beach Volunteer Fire Department; and Paasch about the need for an equipment storage building and the advantages of a particular location for said building followed.

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, lease in perpetuity for Wedderburn Fire District to build this building as a \$1.00 per year annual lease. Motion carried unanimously.

- L. Curry County – Oregon Timber Counties Coalition – MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) Commissioner Boice

Motion by Boice, seconded by Herzog, to complete this MOU with the other Counties with Boice as the representative. Motion carried unanimously.

- M. Curry County Board of Commissioners Discussion on Possible Ordinance – Reserving the Right-Option through Elected Public Official Local Control to Oppose State or Federal Mandates - Commissioner Boice

A discussion with Boice, Herzog, Paasch, and Pope ensued.

Motion by Boice, seconded by Herzog, that we retain the option of opposing or supporting any state or federal mandated requirement be it lockdowns whatever it would be. Just asking the Board to reserve that right. *Motion was amended.*

Boice amended the motion to represent that this Board reserves the right (*inaudible*) resolution reserves this Board the right to identify possible future mandates or lockdowns whatever part that comes before us and we simply maintain the option of saying yes or no we will support this, and we will support our citizens if it goes against their Bill of Rights. Herzog amended his second. Motion carried unanimously.

AGENDA ITEMS 5H AND 5I WERE DISCUSSED AFTER AGENDA ITEM 6M.

- 5H. ARP (American Rescue Plan) Reimbursement

- 5I. ARP Funded Purchase

A discussion with Boice, Herzog and Paasch followed. The Board agreed to pull Agenda Items 5H and 5I.

AGENDA ITEM 6N WAS NOT DISCUSSED

- 6N. Joint Transfer of Parks Duties and Obligations

AGENDA ITEM 6O WAS ADDED

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6O. Letter of Support for Cal-Ore and the House Bill

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to approve letter of support for house bill. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **COMMISSIONER UPDATES**

- A. Commissioner Herzog spoke about
  - Joint transfer of parks, duties, and obligations
  - Doing plumbing at Boice-Cope Park
  - Lobster Creek Park water treatment
- B. Commissioner Paasch
  - Stated he will give Commissioner comments after Executive Session
- C. Commissioner Boice spoke about
  - Senate Bill 1573

8. **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

- A. 192.660(2)(h) To Consult with Counsel Concerning the Legal Rights and Duties of a Public Body with Regard to Current Litigation or Litigation Likely to Be Filed.
- B. 192.660(2)(f) To Consider Information or Records that Are Exempt by Law from Public Inspection.

Chair Herzog entered Executive Session at 4:41 p.m. and exited at 5:12 p.m.

Staff to proceed as directed.

9. **HIRE ORDERS**

(None)

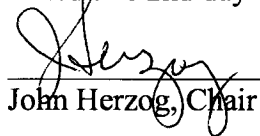
10. **OTHER** (ORS.192.640(1) ". . . notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.")

Motion by Paasch, seconded by Boice, to reimburse that amount of ARP funds for construction, material, and electrician for the Dispatch Center limited to \$22,371.09. Motion carried unanimously.

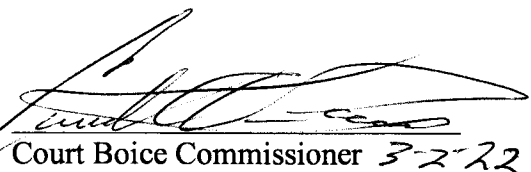
11. **ADJOURN**

Chair Herzog adjourned the meeting at 5:14 p.m.

Dated this 2nd day of March, 2022.

  
John Herzog, Chair

  
Christopher S. Paasch, Vice Chair

  
Court Boice Commissioner 3-2-22

Minutes prepared by: John Jezuit, Administrative Assistant

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