

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF JANUARY 19, 2021 WORK SESSION
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on January 19, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the Administration Conference room located at 203 NE Court Street, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

Court Members Present: Judge Seth Crawford, Commissioner Jerry Brummer and Commissioner Brian Barney

Absentees: None

Others Present in Person or Via WebEx: Legal Counsels Eric Blaine and John Eisler; Administration Executive Assistant Amy Albert; Paralegal Regina Paul; Health Director Muriel DeLaVergne Brown; Manager Jeff Merwin; Library Director April Witteveen; Manager Kim Herber; Senior Accountant Janet Pritiskutch; Natural Resources Tim Deboodt and District Attorney Wade Whiting.

WORK SESSION

The meeting was **called to order at 9:00 a.m.**

Agenda Item #1, Covid – 19 Update: Health Director Muriel DeLaVergne Brown provided the Court with a Covid update. Crook County had twenty new cases of Covid on Saturday, January 16th and nine new cases of Covid on Sunday, January 17th bringing the current number of active Covid cases in Crook County to six hundred twenty-one. Covid vaccines are currently being given to qualified individuals in group 1A. It is expected vaccinations for group 1B will begin Monday, January 25th and those eighty years and older will be eligible to receive vaccinations beginning February 8th, given the State recommendations for Covid vaccinations hold.

Agenda Item #2, Landfill – Budgets and Actuals Presentation: County Landfill Manager Jeff Merwin presented the 2020-2021 fiscal year budget to the Court. Personnel expenses for the Landfill are currently close to the budgeted amounts for the current fiscal year. The Landfill did budget for an additional scale attendant, this position is to be filled once the construction on the new scale house is completed. Materials and services make up a substantial portion of the budget with a forty-four percent usage, though this is not an accurate reflection of the overall amount spent due to multiple household hazardous waste events to be held and Department of Environmental Quality fee payments which are reflected in only one of the four quarters. Revenue for the Landfill is currently up seventy-one percent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None Scheduled

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 9:22 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert