

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES  
OF JUNE 15, 2021 WORK SESSION  
Open Portion**

**Be It Remembered** that the Crook County Court met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on June 15, 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; Deputy Director Katie Plumb; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Director Ann Beier; Sheriff John Gautney; Manager Kim Herber; Natural Resource Coordinator Tim Deboodt; Senior Accountant Christine Kurtz; Treasurer Galen Carter; Merissa Moller and Darlene Henderson.

**WORK SESSION**

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

Agenda Item #1, Covid-19 Update: Deputy Director for the Health Department Katie Plumb provided the County Court with a Covid-19 update. There has been an increase of Covid-19 cases the past weeks. The schedule at the clinic for vaccinations is currently full and the Health Department is planning a mobile clinic towards the end of July.

Agenda Item #2, COTA's 2021 RTP Grant Application Letter of Support: Darlene Henderson presented the Court with a RTP Grant Application Letter in support of a stand-on skid steer. The grant for the skid steer will be for a five-year lease so Central Oregon Trails Alliance (COTA) may help in the construction and upkeep of trails in Central Oregon. The Court did suggest some language in the letter related to the Lemon Gulch Trails be removed.

**MOTION** to approve COTA's letter once selected language is removed from the letter. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 2-1. Commissioner Brummer was opposed.

Agenda Item #3, Community Development Fee Change: Community Development Director Ann Beier updated the Court on fee changes for the Planning Department. Ms. Beier informed the Court that some fees would be increased while others would be decreased. There were some questions from the Court regarding the fee changes that Ms. Beier will follow up on during the June 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Court Session.

Agenda Item #4, COIC IGA for Emergency Business Grants: This item will be moved to the June 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Court Meeting.

Agenda Item #5, TSR North Solar Facility CUP Modification New Sun Energy Formal Continuance Request: The County received a letter from Merissa Moeller, attorney for TSR North Solar Farm LLC requesting a continuance of the appeal hearing set for June 22, 2021. After conferring with Ms. Moeller, a new appeal hearing date has been set for August 4, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

At 9:42 a.m. the Court read into Executive Session under the following statute(s): ORS 192.660(2)(h) Consulting with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, the County Court convened back into Open Session, inviting members of the public into the meeting room.

**MOTION** to direct County Counsel to correspond with counter party as discussed in Executive Session. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0. There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:05 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Amy Albert**