

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF JULY 7, 2021 REGULAR MEETING
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a Regular Court meeting on July 7, 2021, at 9:00 a.m. in the County meeting room located at 320 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 Assistants Amy Albert; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Addressing Tech Nate Trammell; Director Ann Beier; Manager Kim Herber; Director Kim Barber; Road Master Bob O'Neal; Director Tim Deboodt; Director Debra Patterson; Accountant Christine Kurtz; Sheriff John Gautney; Manager Levi Roberts; Clerk Cheryl Seely; Library Technician Cindy York; Derek Hofbauer; Darcy Bedortha; Joseph Merrill; Don Vogel; Darlene Henderson; Shawn Cross; Steven Holman; Monty Kurtz; Emmy Andrews; Kim McCarrel; Duane Miller; Oliver Wisseman; Aaron Lavelle; Dawn Rhoads; Steve Rhomps; Marg Smith-Luces; Robert Lucas; John Unruh; Renee Moss; Slater Turner; Mikayla Mills; Tory Kurtz; James Good; Clint Brooks; Bobbi Brooks; Terry Neill; Marci Waymann; Mathies Fedorspiol; Kevin Klous; Amber Toomey; Jesse Toomey; Mary Beyer; Paul Cuddy; Robin Olson; Art Griffiths; Loreana Brown; Ian Sexten; Hunter Hicks; Julie Brents; Holden Cuse; Cliff Kiser; Kim Daniels; Nettie Downing; Kim Vogel and Linda Manning.

REGULAR SESSION

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

MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with these changes, Consent Agenda Item #21 will be moved to Discussion, Discussion Item #34 will be removed, and the CIS agreement will be added to the Consent Agenda. Motion seconded. No discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Appearances / Item #24: Darcy Bedortha from H.O.R.S.E.S on the Ranch appeared before the Court to explain the therapeutic opportunities that are being offered at H.O.R.S.E.S on the Ranch and the impact they have on individuals. Currently H.O.R.S.E.S on the Ranch accepts some forms of insurance, such as OHP, unfortunately there are several veterans whose insurance is not covered. Ms. Bedortha requested a donation of \$2,500, the County will need to review the budget before any donation decisions can be made. H.O.R.S.E.S on the Ranch will be hosting a fund-raising event August 21st that will be open to the public.

Appearances / Item #25: Joseph Merrill from King of the Kastle appeared before the Court requesting permission to host a side-by-side race in October of 2022. The race will access several County roads as crossing points. Mr. Merrill will meet with Judge

Crawford, Road Master Bob O'Neal and County Counsel Eric Blaine to finalize a plan for King of the Kastle to access County roads at crossing points.

Appearances / Item #26 & 27: Members of the Community met to discuss the building of the Lemon Gulch trails in the Ochoco National Forest. Individuals spoke about their opposition to mountain biking trails being built in Lemon Gulch but emphasized they were not opposed to mountain biking in the forest. Many of their complaints centered around the Forest Service's lack of communication and requested the Forrest Service and Central Oregon Trail Alliance (COTA) be more communicative to landowners and permittees in the Mill Creek area. It was also requested County Court resend their letter of support for the Lemon Gulch Trail; at this time the County Court will not resend their letter as they wish to speak with the Natural Resources Committee before any decisions are made. Darlene Henderson from COTA and individuals from the Forest Service spoke on why Lemon Gulch was chosen as the location to build mountain biking trails. It was agreed to by all parties that communication would improve, and meetings would take place between the parties to determine how to best move forward with this project.

Appearances / Item #27A: Shawn Cross from Greater Idaho Movement appeared before the Court to provide an update. The Greater Idaho Movement formed a group that is meeting once a month. The group has begun gather statistics comparing Oregon to Idaho and will continue to gather information moving forward. Mr. Cross requested a link to the Greater Idaho Movement be added to the County's website, at this time the County will not be adding a link.

Discussion item #28: Community Development Director Ann Beier discussed Ordinance 325 amending Crook County code chapters 17.08, 18.08, 18.16, 18.28, 18.112, 18.18, 18.116 and 18.127 regarding editing code language for consistency with state law and removing incorrect citations. A public hearing was opened, with no comment the public hearing was closed. This matter will be on the July 21, 2021, Court agenda for a second reading.

MOTION to read Ordinance 325 by title only. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #29: Nate Trammell from Community Development requested the Court approve the naming of a private road SW Cascade View Lane. Mr. Trammell has received the approval from the Crook County 911 Manager, Crook County Road Master, Prineville US Postmaster and Crook County GIS. The County approves of the naming of the private road.

MOTION to approve Order 2021-37 in the matter of naming a private road located in Crook County. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #30: Kev Alexanian had requested the County approve the use of Title III funds at the March 23rd Work Session. Funds will be paid once a year for the next four years to spray for weeds in Juniper Canyon. The County had published a public

notice outlining the use of the funds and provided a ninety-day comment period, no comments were made. The Court approved of the use of these funds.

MOTION to approve the use of Title III funds as requested at the March 23, 2021, Work Session. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #31: Natural Resources Director Tim Deboodt presented the Court with a letter protesting the BOR water application. The purpose of the secondary water right is to release stored water from the Prineville Reservoir for the purpose of fish and wildlife below Bowman Dam through the reach to Lake Billy Chinook, this proposal will affect the amount of water individuals living above the Bowman Dam have access to.

MOTION to approve letter to Tom Byler regarding Prineville Reservoir, Bureau of Reclamation Application for Secondary Water Right Application. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #32: John Eisler presented the Court with a new inmate intergovernmental agreement (IGA) exchange with Jefferson County. The IGA will allow Jefferson and Crook Counties to house inmates in the other counties jail if needed. The base fee for housing an inmate will be \$80 per day, with additional reimbursements for medical and non-routine expenses.

MOTION to approve IGA with Jefferson and Crook Counties to house inmates. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #33: John Eisler presented the Court with Order 2021-36 to form Flat Rock Road District. The special district will include a special taxing district and have a committee of three individuals to be appointed.

MOTION to approve Order 2021-36 election of Flat Rock Road District. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #21: Eric Blaine presented the Court with plat of phase 14 of Brasada Ranch. The mylar copy of the plat has not been received by the County requiring it to be signed out of Court.

MOTION to approve Brasada Ranch phase 14 plat and sign out of court. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

At 11:00 a.m. the Court convened into Executive Session under the following statute(s): ORS 192.660(2)(d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

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.

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 11:46 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert