

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES  
OF AUGUST 4, 2021 REGULAR MEETING  
Open Portion**

**Be It Remembered** that the Crook County Court met in a Regular Court meeting on August 4, 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 Assistant Amy Albert; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Director Casey Daly; Director Katie Plumb; Clerk Cheryl Seely; Director Kim Barber; Treasurer Galan Carter; Director Troy Poncin; Manager Levi Roberts; Accounting Manager Janet Pritiskuch; Director Will Van Vactor; Manager Brent Bybee; Peter Watts; Andy Parks and members of the community.

**REGULAR SESSION**

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

**MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion seconded. No discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Appearances / Item #12: Fairgrounds Director Casey Daly previously received approval from the Court to improve the lighting in the outdoor arena through monies received by the naming rights agreement with Pape Machinery. Mr. Daly presented the Court with a payment agreement for this project. This agreement was approved by the Court.

**MOTION** to approve Crook County Fairgrounds LED lighting phase one. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Appearances / Item #13: Members of the Greater Idaho Movement met with the County Court to propose an advisory question be added to the November 2021 ballot. Due to the fact that the ballot question is advisory in nature and advisory questions are not permissible the County has retained the services of Peter Watts. Mr. Watts recommended the County submit the questions to the Attorney General for a ruling determining if an advisory question can be submitted to the ballot. The Court agreed with Mr. Watts findings, conceding that contacting the Attorney General to determine if an advisory question can be submitted to the ballot is the best course of action. Members of the public asked questions of the Court and expressed their want for Crook County to become part of Idaho.

Discussion item #14: John Eisler presented the Court with Ordinance 326 for a second reading. Ordinance 326 makes several changes to the County zoning code. Ordinance

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326 was read by title only and a public hearing was opened. With no comment the public hearing was closed.

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

**MOTION** to approve Ordinance 326. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #15: Health Department Director Katie Plumb presented the Court with Order 2021-41 Amendment 1. This Order will make changes to the County's fee schedule for the Health Department. Ms. Plumb explained that the fees both increased and decreased dependent upon the cost they present to the County. A public hearing was opened regarding this matter, there being no comment the public hearing was closed.

**MOTION** to approve Order 2021-41 Amendment 1. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Discussion item #16: John Eisler presented the Court with Order 2021-43 allowing the County to add a measure to the November 2021 ballot asking the voters for the authority to issue up to 35 million dollars in general obligation bonds for the construction of the Justice Center and restoration to the Courthouse. The State of Oregon will match all funds expended by the County for Circuit Court. The County is not anticipating the bond will require an increase in property taxes.

**MOTION** to approve Order 2021-43 calling a measure election to submit to the electors of the County the question authorizing up to \$35,000,000 of general obligation bonds and related matters. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None Scheduled

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:57 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Amy Albert**