

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2021 WORK SESSION
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on September 7, 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 and Commissioner Brian Barney

Absentees: Commissioner Jerry Brummer

Others Present in Person or Via WebEx: Legal Counsels Eric Blaine and John Eisler; Administration Executive Assistant Amy Albert; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Director Kim Barber; Sheriff John Gautney; Under Sheriff James Savage; Commander Bill Elliott; Deputy Kurt Klein; Director Katie Plumb; Director Will Van Vactor; Manager Brent Bybee and Code Compliance Officer Louis Seals.

WORK SESSION

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

Sheriff Gautney informed the Court of an issue the Sheriff's Office had with the Humane Society of the Ochocos taking in dogs. The Humane Society has a contract with the County stating they will take in any dogs brought to them by the Sheriff's Office or find an alternative placement for the dogs. The Sheriff's Office recently responded to a call involving four aggressive dogs, in which the owner surrendered them, the Humane Society initially refused to take the dogs. After an extended period of time the Humane Society housed one of the dogs. In hopes of mitigating a similar occurrence in the future Commissioner Barney will meet with Greg Lynch to find a solution to this issue.

At 9:07 a.m. the Court read into Executive Session under the following statute(s): ORS 192.660(2)(e) For the purpose of conducting deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions, 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 and 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 staff to correspond with the counter party as discussed in Executive Session. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 2-0.

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MOTION to prepare drafting of declaration of emergency as discussed in the Executive Session. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 2-0.

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:28 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert