

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF NOVEMBER 16, 2021 WORK SESSION
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on November 16, 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; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Director Troy Poncin; Director Kim Barber; Director Dodge Kerr; Director Will VanVactor and Mike Erwin.

WORK SESSION

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

Agenda Item #1, Request to Purchas Two Vehicles for Building Inspectors: Community Development Director Will VanVactor asked the Court to approve the purchase of two new vehicles for the Building Department. Currently seven of the vehicles in use by the Building Department have over 100,000 miles, the purchase of new vehicles will help ensure the reliability of the inspector's vehicles. Community Development has the budget for two new vehicles.

MOTION to accept bid from Wright Ford for \$27,967.85. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

Agenda Item #2, Contract Service Agreement: This matter was moved to Executive Session.

Agenda Item #3, Restructuring of Veteran's Department: Judge Crawford proposed combining the Veterans Service Officer and the Veteran Services Director positions. Former Veteran Services Employees had expressed to Judge Crawford that one person could maintain the current veteran service caseload, as there is a lull due to most Vietnam Veterans already being signed up for services. If these positions are to be combined, it would mean increased pay for this position, but it would also be a savings for the County. Before any decisions are made Human Resource Director Kim Barber will speak with the State Veteran Services Office and Deschutes County Veteran Services Office for more information.

Agenda Item #4, Discussion of Grant Opportunity for Fairgrounds, Downtown Internet Infrastructure: IT Director Troy Poncin updated the Court on his recent meeting with Meta (Facebook) and PrineTime regarding internet infrastructure to the library, museum, and fairgrounds. It was decided that the museum infrastructure will be

completed in conjunction with the downtown core and the work at the fairgrounds will begin at the end of the month, once the agreement with PrineTime is in place.

Addition: Assistance County Counsel John Eisler received a request from Matt Ropp of Knife River for a seven day extension to respond to documents submitted by Cascade Geoengineering, as they conflict with Knife River's reports. Per County Code, the record will remain open for Knife River's response.

At 9:25 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 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 approve the first amendment to purchase and sale agreement and to sign sale agreement outside of Court. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0. There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 9:52 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert