

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF NOVEMBER 2, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a Special Court meeting on November 2, 2022, at 10:25 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; Director Will VanVactor; Manager Brent Bybee; Brian Walsh; Matt Hutchinson; Greg Jackle; Paul Hicks and members of the public.

County Court met in a special hearing on Empire Solar modification goal exemption 217-22-000153-PLNG. Judge Crawford began the meeting by stating the procedures, applicable criteria and procedures that are to be followed.

Community Development Planning Manager Brent Bybee presented the Court with a slide show giving a brief overview of the request being made to the Court. Mr. Bybee explained what factors are to be reviewed for the goal exemption and which should not apply.

A public hearing was opened.

Greg Jackle from ODFW spoke in support of the modification stating mitigation factors have been considered.

Brian Walsh, Matt Hutchinson and Paul Hicks presented the Court with a slideshow in support of the modification. Mr. Walsh stated there will be more employment opportunities that originally anticipated.

Public hearing closed.

A second hearing for this matter will be heard on December 7, 2022.

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:52 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert