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Crook County Court  
Emergency Special Session  
November 13, 2020

An Emergency Special Session was held by the Crook County Court at 8:30 a.m. on November 13, 2020 in the Admin Conference room located at 203 NE Court Street, Prineville, Oregon. In attendance were: Judge Seth Crawford; Commissioner Jerry Brummer; Commissioner Brian Barney; Eric Blaine, County Counsel; Admin Executive Assistant Colleen Ferguson; Assistant County Counsel John Eisler; IT Director Troy Poncin and Finance Janet Pritiskutch.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider approval of Order 2020-61, an order authorizing the emergency procurement of telephone communications services and related ancillary good and services. The County had been experiencing a series of telephone system failures, which have increased in frequency over the last several months. This was disrupting the County's necessary public service functions. In particular, the outages are causing severe problems with the Health Department's contact-tracing activities in response to the COVID public health emergency.

The discussion included information regarding terminating the contract with cost with the current provider, BendTel, and contracting with Century Link. Termination process and costs were discussed. The new phone services will be more expensive, but all equipment and maintenance will be provided by the new provider. A brief discussion was held regarding the VOIP service and the fiber delivery. The cost of the VOIP service is known, but the actual cost of the fiber delivery is not.

No additional items were discussed.

MOTION:

Commissioner Barney moved to approve Order 2020-61, an order authorizing the emergency procurement of telephone communications services and related ancillary goods and services. Commissioner Brummer seconded the motion. Vote was 3-0, motion carried.

The Court signed Order 2020-61, and County Counsel will have it recorded.

Submitted,  
Colleen Ferguson  
Crook County Court Secretary