

Board of Commissioners Meeting
September 3, 2014

Present: Commissioner Steve McClure
Commissioner Mark D. Davidson
Commissioner William D. Rosholt

Chairman McClure opened the meeting at 9 a.m. with all three Commissioners present.

Public Comments

Vehicle Bid Award

Captain Craig Ward, Sheriff's Office, brought a vehicle bid to the Commissioners for award consideration. He explained that they put out two RFPs for a vehicle. The first one was for a sedan with a police package. Those bids came back over budget. They went out to bid for a standard sedan and the bids came back not meeting specifications. Captain Ward is recommending awarding the State bid for the police package sedan. This is the least expensive option while still meeting the specifications. Commissioner Rosholt asked where the additional money to pay for the vehicle will come from. Captain Ward explained that they will be getting approximately \$20,000 from Justice Court and they feel that they can make up the difference with a onetime end of year transfer from the Personnel line item because they are saving money on the Personnel costs. **Commissioner Davidson moved to approve the purchase of the vehicle bid award as recommended. Commissioner Rosholt seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Jail Use Agreement

Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer, brought the Jail Use Agreement to the Commissioners for consideration. She explained that this Agreement is between Union County and Wallowa County. It is the Agreement where Wallowa County rents jail bed space from Union County. It is a two year agreement that would be effective July 1, 2014. It is similar to the previous agreement in place. The rate that Wallowa County will be charged for the first fiscal year is \$55 per prisoner. They pay for a set number of spaces so it is not on an as needed basis. The second fiscal year the per prisoner cost will be \$56. This revenue was included in the adopted budget. This Agreement has been approved by the Wallowa County Sheriff and Commissioners. **Commissioner Rosholt moved approval of the Jail Use Agreement as presented. Commissioner Davidson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Consent Agenda

The August 14, 21 and 28 claims journals fiscal year 2014-15; and August 14 and 21 claims journal fiscal year 2013-14; and the August 13 and 20 Public Works claims journals were approved as presented on the consent agenda.

Connect Oregon V Grant Agreement

Shelley brought the Connect Oregon V Grant Agreement to the Commissioners for consideration. She explained that this is the funding to match the FAA grant for the Airport Master Plan. Doug Wright, Public Works Director, submitted the application. The grant agreement would provide for payment up to \$52,000. **Commissioner Rosholt moved approval of the Connect Oregon V Grant Agreement as presented. Commissioner Davidson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.**

Baker County Memorandum of Agreement with Soil and Water Conservation District

Shelley Burgess explained that the County received an email from the Baker Soil and Water Conservation District stating that a few of the areas that Baker SWCD serve come into Union County. They are looking at making available to land owners an opportunity to address sage grouse requirements. He is exploring whether or not Union County would be willing to sponsor these agreements for the pieces of the Baker County SWCD that come into Union County. If Union County would like to participate Shelley would ask them for a Memorandum of Agreement between the two agencies.

Commissioner Davidson stated that Union County would like to see maps and see where the land overlaps in relationship to the Sage Grouse habitat. By having this mechanism available to the land owners it allows them to participate in the program and preserve their personal information while they create the projects that benefit the habitats.

Court Facility Discussion

Shelley Burgess explained that the County gave notice of intent to award the contract to Mike Becker General Contractor on August 20th. There was a seven day appeal period that was available to the other proposers. There were no challenges or appeals received on the process. There was a hearing on August 27th on the county's motion to dismiss the lawsuit and the Shelter from the Storm's motion for a preliminary injunction. Notification was received yesterday that the motion to dismiss was granted and the injunction was denied. Shelley believes that the next step in dealing with the contractor is for the County to provide Mike Becker General Contractor with the contract that was included in the RFP along with a request for the associated documents that they now need to provide to the County with a contract so the Commissioners can be prepared to accept the contract at the next Commission meeting. The contract was part of the RFP so they have seen the document but they need to provide insurance verification and workers comp coverage along with the contract.

Commissioner Davidson stated that the County needs to proceed. He also feels that the County needs to establish a new conversation with the Shelter from the Storm about assistance in temporary quarters and how to move forward on a more permanent basis. He volunteered to take the lead on that portion of the project and invite all the parties to meet and start a conversation to get the Shelter moved into some place where they can continue their operations on an interim basis.

Commissioner McClure agreed that the parties need to be brought together and have a discussion. The County is through with the litigation but the County needs to make sure that they try to accommodate everyone in the process.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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