

Union County Board of Commissioners
Joseph Building Annex Conference Room
Regular Commissioners Meeting
Wednesday, August 5, 2020

Present: Commissioner Paul Anderes, Chair
Commissioner Donna Beverage
Commissioner R. Matthew Scarfo

Commissioner Beverage opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m. and the Pledge of Allegiance was given with all three Commissioners present.

Public Comments

There were no public comments given at this time.

Elected Official, Department Head & Employee Comments

COPS Grant Award Contract – City of Union

Boyd Rasmussen, Union County Sheriff, addressed the Commissioners with the

COVID-19 Update

JB Brock, Emergency Services Manager and Carrie Brogoitti, Public Health Administrator addressed the Commissioners with an update regarding the emergency response to COVID-19.

Consent Agenda

Commissioner Beverage moved approval of the June 24 and July 8, 2020 meeting minutes and July 16, 22, 23, and 24, 2020 claims journals as presented. Commissioner Scarfo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Administrative Matters

Court Order 2020-21: Appointment to the Wallowa-Union Railroad Authority Board

Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer, presented Court Order 2020-21 to the Commissioners for their consideration.

The terms of Gene Hardy and Paul Anderes are due for renewal. Both have been active members who are interested in continuing to serve on the WURA board.

Their term will begin immediately and expire on July 31, 2024.

Commissioner Beverage made a motion to approve Court Order 2020-21 Appointment to the Wallowa-Union Railroad Authority Board. Commissioner Scarfo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Court Order 2020-22: Appointment to the Union County Tourism Advisory Committee

Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer, presented Court Order 2020-22 to the Commissioners for their consideration.

A Commissioner representative us needed on the Union County Tourism Promotion Advisory Committee. Commissioner Beverage has been serving on this committee and has expressed interest in continuing to serve.

Her term will begin immediately and expire on July 31, 2024.

Commissioner Scarfo made a motion to approve Court Order 2020-22 Appointment to the Union County Tourism Advisory Committee. Commissioner Anderes seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Jail Medical Services Contract

Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer, presented the first Jail Medical Services Contract to the Commissioners for their approval.

The contract is between the Union County Sheriff's Office and Bud Zunino, Family Nurse Practitioner, effective July 1, 2020 through July 30, 2021.

The County agrees to pay the Contractor from the available and authorized funds for accomplishing FNP professional services an amount not to exceed \$1,225.00 per month.

Commissioner Scarfo made a motion to approve the Jail Medical Services Contract. Commissioner Beverage seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Tourism Promotion MOA

Shelley Burgess, Administrative Officer, presented the Memorandum of Agreement to the Commissioners for their consideration.

The Tourism Promotion Program is jointly funded by the City of La Grande and Union County utilizing Transient Room Tax funds. The three-year agreement has been negotiated by the Chamber Executive Director and the Joint Tourism Advisory Commissioner on which Commissioner Beverage serves.

The MOA has been approved by the La Grande City Council at the recommendation of City Manager Robert Strope.

Commissioner Beverage asked Mrs. Burgess if there were any significant changes made from the last approved MOA. Mrs. Burgess relayed that there were not,

only a couple of things that were added to Section 2 – Duties and Responsibilities, requested by the Chamber of Commerce.

Commissioner Beverage inquired about the hours of business on the second page of the agreement. The Chamber of Commerce used to be open on Saturdays, however due to the reduction in staff, Mrs. Burgess relayed those hours have changed. Suzannah Hemann-Moore also relayed that the Tourism Committee discussed the change of hours after realizing their busiest hours were earlier in the morning.

Commissioner Beverage made a motion to approve the Tourism Promotion Memorandum of Agreement with the City of La Grande. Commissioner Scarfo seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

The Chair called an Executive Session at 9:48 am.

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Next Commissioners Meeting

The next regular Commission meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 19, 2020 at 9 AM.

Adjournment

Commissioner Anderes adjourned the meeting at 10:10 AM.

Respectfully submitted,



Allison Moore
Senior Department Specialist