

Gilliam County Court
Special Meeting
October 23, 2019 – Gilliam County Courthouse

Judge Farrar called the special meeting of the Gilliam County Court to order at 9:00 a. m. at the Gilliam County Courthouse in Condon, Oregon.

Court Present: Judge Farrar; Commissioner Wilkins; Commissioner Wetherell, via telephone.

Staff Present: Chief of Staff Lisa Atkin; Court Administrative Assistant Teresa Aldrich.

**IN THE MATTER OF SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE #2019-02,
ESTABLISHING THE FIBER COUNCIL, AN ORS INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGENCY**

The Gilliam County Court entered into discussions earlier this year with the City of Condon regarding jointly managing the new fiber lines and the draft Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the two parties has been discussed during previous County Court meetings.

Following legal review, the County's Telecommunications Counsel, Christy Monson of Local Government Law Group, drafted amendments to clarify the scope of the Fiber Council and financial arrangements between the two parties, together with provision of clear processes for dispute resolution and orderly termination, should they be required. The City's Counsel and City Administrator have reviewed and approved these amendments, which are now pending adoption by both governing bodies.

Counsel previously advised that the IGA needs to be enacted via Ordinance, which requires two readings at least 13 days apart, prior to adoption. If adopted, the Ordinance and IGA will take effect immediately, allowing the Fiber Council to move forward with leasing the fiber lines.

The first reading of Ordinance #2019-02 took place during the County Court's Regular Meeting on October 2, 2019. This special meeting serves as the second reading of Ordinance #2019-02, which provides 21 days between the first and second reading.

Motion 1 by Commissioner Wetherell, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins to have the second reading of Ordinance #2019-02 by title only. Farrar – Yes; Wilkins – Yes; Wetherell – Yes: **Motion Carried.** The Judge read the ordinance by title only.

Motion 2 by Commissioner Wetherell, seconded by Commissioner Wilkins to accept the second reading of Ordinance #2019-02 by title only and to adopt Ordinance #2019-02, an Ordinance establishing the Fiber Council, an ORS Intergovernmental Agreement. Farrar – Yes; Wilkins – Yes; Wetherell – Yes: **Motion carried.**

Judge Farrar reported the next Fiber Council meeting will be held October 30, 2019.

IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT

It appearing to the Court that there was no further business to be conducted at this time,
Judge Farrar adjourned the meeting at 9:04 a. m.

GILLIAM COUNTY COURT

By _____

Elizabeth Farrar, Judge

By _____

Leslie Wetherell, Commissioner

By _____

Sherrie Wilkins, Commissioner

Teresa Aldrich _____

Court Administrative Assistant