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IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONS OR REVISIONS

- Add Commission on Children and Families recommendations for funding
- Add Justice Court pro-tem appointments

IN THE MATTER OF CASA STAFF REPORT

CASA Director, Amy Nation reported the following:

- Due to a recent reduction in workload in the Juvenile Department Nation has suggested reducing her hours from 19 hours per week to ten hours. She will work five hours weekly for CASA and five hours weekly for the Juvenile Department. Judge Shaw suggested the budget remain at 19 hours in case the department workload increases.
- Nation has several potential CASA volunteers and if they commit she will provide the necessary training. She is ensuring that existing CASA volunteers are attending required trainings. Currently have two CASA volunteers working on cases in Gilliam County.
- Completed the National CASA Standards Self-Assessment which must be done every five years.
- Completed updating the CASA Volunteer Policy Manual and also completed the Procedure Manual for her position.

Judge Shaw added she has asked staff to have their procedure manuals completed by July 1, 2012 which has been a work in progress over the past five years.

IN THE MATTER OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: Commissioner Weimar moved to approve the December claims pending review.

SECOND: Commissioner Gronquist.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Judge Shaw, Commissioner Gronquist and Commissioner Weimar

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed.

IN THE MATTER OF 2012 APPOINTMENTS

MOTION: Commissioner Gronquist moved to approve the following appointments:

Budget Officer: Alcenia Byrd, one year term

Committee Appointments

NORCOR Budget Committee: Gary Miller, one year term

MCCOG Budget Committee: Delene Durfey

MCCOG Board -Cities Representative: Jeff Bufton

GEODC Board: Michelle Colby, two year term

North Central Public Health District: position vacant, three year term

Community Counseling Solutions Mental Health Advisory Board: Juvenile Representative-Vicki Winters, Senior Representative-Delene Durfey, Schools/vacant, Youth/vacant.

Lower John Day Area Commission on Transportation-Private Sector

Representative: Dewey Kennedy, two year term

County/USFS/BLM Contact for AOC MOA Directive: Susie Anderson

Justice Court Pro-Tem: Leona Foster, Ron McDermid, S. Chris Nix and Laura Pryor, one year term

County Court Member 2012 Appointments/Assignments:

Courthouse Administration/NORCOR Board Member/Gilliam County Court Security Committee/Tri-County Communications Board/Frontier Telenet Board/Frontier Digital Network/MCCOG Board; MCCOG Six Rivers Board; MCCOG Four River Board/Oregon Consortium/Regional Solutions Team: Judge Patricia Shaw
North Central Public Health District Board-Alternate: Judge Patricia Shaw
County Road Commissioner/County Weed Commissioner/Grain Lab Advisory Board/Columbia-Blue Mountain Resource Conservation and Development/Mid-Columbia Council of Governments/Lower John Day River Area Conservation Work Group/Oregon Solutions Cottonwood Canyon State Park Project:

Commissioner Michael Weimar

Oregon Consortium-Alternate: Commissioner Michael Weimar

County Industrial Park Commissioner/Gilliam County Safety Committee/Gilliam County 911 Board/Gilliam County Emergency Management Planning Council/Tri-County Community Corrections Board/Local Public Safety Coordinating Council/North Central Public Health District Board Member/CAPECO Board

Member: Commissioner Dennis Gronquist

NORCOR Board Member-Alternate/Frontier Telenet Board Member-

Alternate/Lower John Day Partnership Area Commission on Transportation-Alternate/Grain Lab Advisory-Alternate: Commissioner Dennis Gronquist

CAPECO Board Member-Alternate: Michelle Colby

Columbia-Blue Mountain Resource Conservation and Development-Alternate: Susie Anderson

SECOND: Commissioner Weimar.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Judge Shaw, Commissioner Gronquist and Commissioner Weimar

No: None

Abstained: None
Absent: None
Motion Passed.

It was noted there are additional openings in the Special Transportation Advisory Board, Cultural Coalition and the North Central Public Health District.

IN THE MATTER OF 2012 DESIGNATIONS

MOTION: Commissioner Weimar moved to approve annual designations for Gilliam County:

Voting Precincts: Arlington No. 1, East Condon No. 6, West Condon No. 7

Road Districts: to designate all County roads outside incorporated area of Arlington, Condon and Lonerock as Gilliam County Road District No. 1

Newspaper of Record: The Times Journal and East Oregonian as official newspapers of record for Gilliam County.

Depositories: Bank of Eastern Oregon, Banner Bank

SECOND: Commissioner Gronquist.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Judge Shaw, Commissioner Gronquist and Commissioner Weimar

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed.

IN THE MATTER OF CCF FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS

Judge Shaw reported Commission on Children and Families Director, Teddy Fennern had submitted funding recommendations for the Court's approval. Both schools have submitted an RFP for funding assistance for tutoring.

MOTION: Commissioner Gronquist moved to approve the Commission on Children and Families Board funding recommendations:

Arlington School District: \$4,500 from Youth Investment Grant

Condon School District: \$8,000 from Youth Investment Grant.

SECOND: Commissioner Weimar.

Vote: 3-0

Yes: Judge Shaw, Commissioner Gronquist and Commissioner Weimar

No: None

Abstained: None

Absent: None

Motion Passed.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY COURT MEMBER REPORTS

Judge Shaw reported Firstwind has submitted an application for Energy Facility Siting Council-EFSC permit approval.

Commissioner Gronquist asked if Ness & Campbell Crane lease document was completed. It was noted the original was not available for signatures, Leanne Durfey will contact Ness & Campbell Crane and request original.

Commissioner Gronquist asked about the status of the letter to Cargill prepared by Legal Counsel, Will Carey. It was noted the document has been signed and will be mailed today.

Commissioner Weimar attended U.S. Representative Greg Walden's meeting in Condon. Topics included: Farm Bill discussion, Port of Arlington/Willow Creek appropriation concerns, frustration on federal government water policy.

Commissioner Weimar attended a Grain Lab Advisory Committee meeting. Topics included: marketing Grain Lab services, soil testing services and the success of the 100 year cake recipe contest in this year's Gilliam County Fair. Mid-Columbia Producers-MCP had the Grain Lab do some grain testing which was successful. Freshness testing for Cargill Integrated Bakery Resources is also doing well. Nathan Hammer, Grain Lab manager has plans to educate the summer employee to grade grain in addition to other lab duties.

Commissioner Weimar received another letter from the Hood River County meal site. Judge Shaw reported the letter has come from a senior living facility, which has not applied for meal site funding. No action taken.

Judge Shaw reported NORCOR Board is meeting with five state legislators to discern if funds are available to pay for the Frontier Digital Network digital switch. There will also be a tour of the NORCOR facility by the Legislature members to see if NORCOR could house State Penitentiary inmates. The Juvenile facility has taken on Oregon Youth Authority-OYA offenders to fill beds. These projects will aid with NORCOR budget crisis.

Judge Shaw and Commissioner Gronquist attended the December North Gilliam Health District Board meeting and were accompanied by Community Counseling Solutions Director Kimberly Lindsay, Sade Project Consultant Tiah Sanderson-Devin and North Central Public Health District (NCPHD) Director Teri Thalofer. They attended the meeting to explain services provided in Gilliam County by NCPHD. Judge Shaw reported Lindsay mentioned CCS pays \$1,000 a month to the South Gilliam County Health Clinic for office space and use of waiting room and staff schedule appointments for CCS clients. Both County Court members felt the meeting was productive.

Judge Shaw reported speaking with Shannon Coppock and found out the North Gilliam County Fire District took over the Arlington Volunteer Ambulance Service-AVAS approximately two years ago. Public Health District, Fire Districts and private-for-profit owned entities are able to oversee ambulance services. It was noted the Arlington Ambulance Board meeting will be held at 5:30 p.m. on January 5, 2012 at the Arlington Fire Hall.

IN THE MATTER OF COUNTY CASH REPORT

Budget Officer Alcenia Wright joined the Court meeting and gave Court members an updated cash report. The balance is \$17,418,624.47.

Wright reported the November payment paid off the infrastructure loan at the Industrial Park. There are additional funds in the Debt Services Fund and consensus was reached for Wright to disburse an additional payment on the Cargill IBR building loan.

Wright added \$2.2 million has been deposited through the SIP agreement, with \$520,000 paid out to the schools. Remaining funds will not be released until the next budget year.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE:

Judge Shaw reported receiving a Public Health draft document regarding the study done on the wind industry harmful effects. There is a 90 day comment period which ends on March 30, 2012. Overall concerns were few but included: noise, air pollution, shadow affect, economy and the community.

Commissioner Weimar reported hearing a topic on the radio regarding a Central Oregon wind project applying for a special permit allotting specific numbers of bird kills, including eagles.

Consensus to send flowers to Wind Energy Consultant Paul Woodin.

MCCOG Executive Board has contracted with an individual knowledgeable in renewable energy to fill in for Paul Woodin, Community Renewable Energy Association Director.

IN THE MATTER OF NEXT MEETING

The Gilliam County Court will convene at the Gilliam County Courthouse at 8:30 a.m. on January 18, 2012 and adjourn by 9:30 a.m. to depart for Fossil to attend a Tri-County court meeting which begins at 10:00 a.m.

It appearing to the Court there was no further business to be conducted at this time, and no additional matters to be considered, Judge Shaw adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

GILLIAM COUNTY COURT

By _____

Patricia J. Shaw, Judge

By _____

Dennis Gronquist, Commissioner

By _____

Michael Weimar, Commissioner

Recorder: Marla Davies