

6-18-14

Judge Shaffer opened the regular Gilliam County Court meeting at 10:01 a.m. in the Arlington City Council Chambers in Arlington, Oregon.

Court members present were: Judge Steve Shaffer, Commissioner Dennis Gronquist and Commissioner Michael Weimar.

IN THE MATTER OF SPECIAL PROJECT GRANT APPLICATIONS

Administrative Specialist Michelle Colby was present for the Court's review of North Gilliam County Special Project grant applications. She noted available grant funds are \$44,810.82. Three applications were submitted totaling \$58,850. Commissioner Gronquist suggested reducing all three applications by the same amount, approximately \$4,000 each. Commissioner Weimar proposed all three applications be reduced by their proportionate percentage. Judge Shaffer calculated the percentage reductions to be approximately a 24% reduction per application. It was consensus to reduce the grants by percentage.

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to approve 2014-15 North Gilliam County Special Project Grants as listed in the Approved Amount below:

	(Requested Amount)	Approved Amount
China Creek Golf Course -	(\$25,000.00)	\$19,000.00
Arlington Saddle Club -	(\$11,000.00)	\$ 8,460.00
Arlington Community School -	<u>(\$22,850.00)</u>	<u>\$17,350.82</u>
TOTAL	\$58,850.00	\$44,810.82

Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Judge Shaffer added to the agenda a resolution supporting the designation of a new local workforce investment area.

IN THE MATTER OF WATER TANK FOR COTTONWOOD CANYON STATE PARK

It was consensus of the Court to approve Judge Shaffer moving forward with the process of giving the small unused water tank at Shutler Station Industrial Park to Cottonwood Canyon State Park. It was noted it will aid in firefighting at the State Park. Judge Shaffer said if the if the County Road Department is involved in moving the tank the Road Department will invoice State Parks.

IN THE MATTER OF SEALED BIDS

Judge Shaffer opened discussion regarding the sealed bid process. It was consensus of the Court that county employees are allowed to submit bids for county surplus equipment. Commissioner Gronquist stated improvements made to equipment should be included in advertisements for sealed bids.

Sealed bids received for 2001 Chevrolet HD Pick-up were opened:

Linda Smith submitted bid of \$2,272

Don Farrar submitted bid of \$2,001

Motion by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to accept the high bid of \$2,272 from Linda Smith for the 2001 Chevrolet HD Pick-up. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF OREGON PUBLIC BROADCASTING

Keith Mobley, Oregon Public Broadcasting Board Chair, gave a presentation on public broadcasting in Oregon noting OPB wants to stay in touch with all Oregonians, particularly its leaders to promote one Oregon and great local stories. He provided information including why public broadcasting exists, OPB network coverage areas, information on forum “Creating a New Landscape: the Future of Public Broadcasting”, partners and future plans.

Following the presentation discussion was held. Judge Shaffer said employment opportunities and very limited in Gilliam County. He agreed with the comment in the presentation about bridging the gap between urban and rural. He thanked Mobley for reaching out to rural areas.

Judge Shaffer and Commissioner Gronquist spoke about the urban/rural relationship between Gilliam County and Metro.

IN THE MATTER OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist , seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to approve the following:

- May 14, 2014 Budget Committee minutes
- June 4, 2014 County Court meeting minutes

Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar - Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF GILLIAM COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Two current library board members terms expire June 30, 2014. Vacancies were advertised and three letters of interest were received. The Board may be no less than five, no more than fifteen.

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to appoint Joe Haley, K'Lynn Lane and Dawn Parm to the Gilliam County Library Board for four year terms to expire June 30, 2018. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF CONCRETE WORK AT SHUTLER STATION INDUSTRIAL PARK

Commissioner Gronquist said Smythe Brothers verbally quoted \$3,400 for the concrete work for the pad for IBR at the Shutler Station Industrial Park. He has requested a written proposal.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to accept the Smythe Brothers bid of \$3,400 for concrete work at the IBR building. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Judge Shaffer declared the meeting to be in Executive Session under ORS 192.660 (2) (e) Real Property Transactions. No decisions were made. Separate minutes were taken and will be filed in the office of the County Clerk.

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION NO. 2014-14 ON CHEMICAL WASTE MANAGEMENT
HOST FEES

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to approve Resolution No. 2014-14 making appropriations for Chem Waste Host Fees to accommodate for additional funds in the amount of \$18,900 and increasing City of Arlington payment by the same. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF AGREEMENT NO. 7103 WITH OPRD ON COTTONWOOD CANYON
STATE PARK

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to approve Intergovernmental Agreement No. 7103 with Oregon Park and Recreation Department regarding County Land Use and Emergency Services for Cottonwood Canyon State Park . Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT #1 TO OREGON DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION
AGREEMENT #9886

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to approve Amendment #1 to Contract #9886 with Oregon Department of Education extending effective date to June 30, 2015 and amending award. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF AMENDMENT #2 TO DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AGREEMENT
#4807

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to approve Amendment #2 to Contract #4807 with Oregon Department of Corrections extending effective date to June 30, 2015 and amending disbursement dates. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF APPOINTMENT TO CCS GILLIAM-WHEELER ADVISORY BOARD

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, per Kimberly Lindsay's request, to appoint Linda Lawing (DHS Supervisor of Child Welfare Programs for HR/Wasco/Gilliam/Wheeler/Sherman Counties) to a three year term on the Community Counseling Solutions Gilliam-Wheeler Advisory Board. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF CIS PROPERTY AND LIABILITY INSURANCE RENEWAL

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to approve City County Insurance Services 2014-15 Property & Liability renewal in the amount of \$116,470.37. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

The Court considered a quote of \$1,300 annual premium for excess cyber liability. Also considered was excess crime coverage in increments of \$100,000 coverage up to \$1,000,000 with premium ranging from \$478 to \$1,569. Following brief discussion it was consensus to decline the excess cyber and crime coverages.

IN THE MATTER OF WORKERS COMPENSATION RESOLUTION NO. 2014-15

The Court reviewed the workers compensation resolution which extends workers compensation to community service workers/inmates and public safety volunteers, but does not include coverage for any other volunteers.

Motion was made by Commissioner Weimar, seconded by Commissioner Gronquist, to approve Resolution No. 2014-15 extending Workers Compensation to Public Safety Volunteers and Community Service Workers/Inmates. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF RESOLUTION SUPPORTING DESIGNATION OR WORKFORCE INVESTMENT AREA

Judge Shaffer provided explanation regarding resolution supporting the designation of a new local workforce investment area, noting the re-chartering may benefit educational facilities. The resolution states on July 25, 2013 Governor Kitzhaber adopted an Executive Order initiating a process to re-charter Oregon's State and Local Workforce Investment Boards.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to approve Resolution No. 2014-16 supporting the designation of a new local workforce investment area including Crook, Deschutes, Gilliam, Hood River, Jefferson, Klamath, Lake, Sherman, Wasco and Wheeler Counties. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF THE CONDON DMV OFFICE

Judge Shaffer noted arrangements have been made for Roadmaster Dewey Kennedy to repair a hole in the wall in the DMV office.

IN THE MATTER OF DEFINITION OF WATERS OF THE UNITED STATES

It was noted EPA and US Army Corps of Engineers jointly released a new proposed rule which defines Waters of the U.S. Under the Clean Water Act. Judge Shaffer declared a potential conflict of interest due to property owned by his son. He noted the definition could be an issue for many including the County Road Department. Commissioner Weimar said NACo is taking a lead on this and have information available on their website.

IN THE MATTER OF FOUR RIVERS EARLY LEARNING COUNCIL HUB

Judge Shaffer reported the application submitted by the Four Rivers Early Learning Council Hub was not accepted because the Community Assessment was not included with the application. Four Rivers ELC will request the application still be considered.

IN THE MATTER OF CORRESPONDENCE

The Court reviewed a letter from Tom Rietmann outlining his concerns in regards to moving the wilderness study areas along the John Day River to wilderness designation. Brief discussion followed. Judge Shaffer noted the Court wanted to hear from and support the views of local landowners on this matter. He will contact Ben Gordon, ONDA, and let him know the Gilliam County Court is not in favor at this time to moving the wilderness study area along the John Day River to wilderness designation.

IN THE MATTER OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion was made by Commissioner Gronquist, seconded by Commissioner Weimar, to approve the Executive Session minutes of June 4, 2014. Shaffer – Yes; Gronquist – Yes; Weimar – Yes; **Motion Carried.**

IN THE MATTER OF COURT MEMBER REPORTS

Commissioner Weimar reported he recently attended an Extension Citizens Advisory Network meeting. It appears funding available in the State budget will be similar amount as last biennium so the process of getting it reinstated should not be necessary.

Judge Shaffer reported he recently attended meetings of the City of Arlington, Port of Arlington and Chambers of Commerce and spoke at these meetings about the State of the County. He communicated to the groups the Court's goals regarding the discretionary funds and explained the Court first wants to establish the basic level of government and then discuss the next level of funding and are working through this process. He also spoke to the groups about the federal designation of economic development areas and the process to move from Greater Eastern Oregon Development Corporation (GEODC) to Mid-Columbia Economic Development District (MCEDD). He said local entities will be asked to sign a letter of support for making the move to MCCED.

Judge Shaffer also mentioned the following items:

- The State is moving to regionalization for Public Health
- The Frontier Telenet Board approved their budget
- Plans to attend NORCOR meeting tomorrow
- Plans to attend Condon Chamber special event tomorrow

IN THE MATTER OF NEXT MEETING

An Executive Session will be held at 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, June 24th at the Gilliam County Grain Lab. A Tri County Court meeting will be held at 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, June 25th at Moro, Oregon. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, July 16, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. and will be held in the Gilliam County Courthouse in Condon, Oregon.

It appearing to the Court there was no further business to be conducted at this time and not additional matters to be considered Judge Shaffer adjourned the meeting at 12:30 p.m.

GILLIAM COUNTY COURT

By _____
Steven Shaffer, County Judge

By _____
Dennis Gronquist, County Commissioner

By _____
Michael Weimar, County Commissioner

Recorder: Leanne Durfey