

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, June 12, 2019

9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room  
555 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT: Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Commissioner Sam Brentano, and Commissioner Colm Willis. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Jane Vetto as county counsel, and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

Commissioner Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

*(Video time 00:01:18)*

Everett Horvath:

- Mr. Horvath is a combat disabled veteran; and
- Mr. Horvath feels disabled veterans should be exempt from paying parking fees at county parks:
  - He suggests the disabled veteran's license plates issued by the state of Oregon be used as a parking pass.

***Board discussion:***

- The fee has been in effect for three years;
- Other government agencies have a standard parking fee for parks:
  - Disabled veterans may be exempt from paying this fee.
- The commissioners want the parking fees to be consistent for all parks; and
- The county will research the parking fees for disabled veterans.

Gene Pfeifer:

- Mr. Pfeifer wants to discuss the Drift Creek Dam, and the Detroit Reservoir;
- He would like to find an alternative, besides a dam, for releasing water into the environment;
- He suggests a system where water can accumulate at a higher elevation:
  - The water will then be transported through a pipe to a reservoir at a lower elevation; and
  - A system of valves will distribute the water throughout the region.
- As to the Detroit Reservoir, Mr. Pfeifer does not want to spend money for a system that is not sustainable, or that may not work;
- He states there are many dams that do not have fish ladders; and
- He would like to see more discussion related to fish ladders.

***Board discussion:***

- The United States Army Corps of Engineers has total jurisdiction over the waterways:
  - They have had three meetings; and
  - They are accepting comments on their website through June 28, 2019 for alternative solutions.

**PRESENTATION**

*(Video Time 00:10:34)*

City of Salem and Marion County drinking water advisory preparation. –Katrina Rothenberger, Alisa Zastoupil, Courtney Knox Busch, and Peter Fernandez

***Summary of presentation:***

Courtney Knox Busch:

- The North Santiam River, which is fed by Detroit Lake, supplies the drinking water for the City of Salem and other communities;
- In 2018 cyanotoxins from algae blooms were found in the drinking water;
- Contributors to the toxins included some of the following:
  - Soil containing nutrients from forest fires seeping into the water;
  - Heat; and
  - The depth of the water source.
- During the peak summer season 45 million gallons of water are treated daily:
  - 22 million gallons of water are treated daily during the winter and slow season.
- Generally water is treated with healthy biomass, filtered through 14 inches of sand, and then a small dose of chlorine is added as a disinfectant;
- Changes for this year include:
  - Feeding the biomass acetic acid, a form of vinegar, to help it grow early to be ready;
  - Increasing the chlorine to help kill the toxins, and then decreasing it back to normal levels before the water reaches the distribution system; and
  - Adding powder activated carbon as a pretreatment that attaches to the toxins, and then moves the toxins out of the stream before the water is filtered through the sand.
- It was determined that allowing more time for the carbon to interact with the water worked more effectively;
- The powder activated carbon will be an added treatment in 2019 in the event an issue arises;
- Primary water sampling sites will include the following:
  - The log boom at Detroit Dam;
  - Big Cliff Dam;
  - Geren Island Water Treatment Facility; and
  - Aldersgate.
- The following will occur if toxins are found:
  - Water sampling at Detroit Dam's log boom will increase from three days a week to five days a week;

- Increased doses of chlorine will be added before the water reaches the Geren Island Treatment Facility;
- Powder activated carbon will be added if needed; and
- Samples will be tested on site versus sending to an outside lab that could take multiple days to determine the results:
  - Provides a tighter time frame;
  - Provides more assurance; and
  - Allows for a quicker response time for treatment systems.
- In 2018 the City of Salem was working under the Environmental Protective Agency guidelines;
- The Oregon Health Authority (OHA) has implemented the following new rules for 2019 :
  - A list of toxins to test for;
  - Locations for testing;
  - A timeline for testing; and
  - A timeline for informing the public.
- Information will be provided on the City of Salem website advising the community of the following:
  - Safety for drinking the water;
  - Where toxins have been detected;
  - How often testing is being performed; and
  - Processes being performed to treat the water.
- The City of Salem will use the following sources to provide information to the public:
  - Information on the city's website will advise the public of the following:
    - Water quality testing results;
    - The water testing regimen;
    - Toxin information;
    - Water sources where toxins were detected; and
    - Story maps to help the public understand:
      - Where the toxins come from; and
      - The influences the toxins have in the drinking water.
  - Social media postings to engage the public and answer questions;
  - Press releases; and
  - The Community Alert System on the city's website will provide the following to individuals that sign up for this service:
    - Phone calls;
    - Emails; and
    - Texts.
- Bulk water will be available for distribution to the public if needed:
  - Eight sites have been identified for distribution; and
  - The Marion Polk Food Share and Northwest Senior and Disabilities Services will be available to distribute water to individuals who cannot travel to distribution sites.
- The city would like to remind the public to be prepared in the event that toxins are found in the drinking water supply; and

- The city plans to have an ozone water treatment system in place by the year 2021 that will help eliminate the toxin issues:
  - Estimated expense for the treatment system is \$40 million; and
  - Funding will come from the existing rate base and by deferring some community projects.

***Board discussion:***

- Water is being sampled in the reservoir, and in other bodies of water that branch off from the North Santiam River;
- The toxins are a product in the water that need to be oxidized:
  - They are not a living organism.
- The ozone water treatment system will break up the molecules, but it will not kill the toxins;
- The city has been using slow sand filtration for 80 years:
  - It is the most economical; and
  - It is the most environmentally sensitive way to treat drinking water.
- Toxins and other issues have evolved, prompting the city to invest in a water treatment system that is more mechanical:
  - The water treatment system will be used primarily for algae; but
  - It will also be useful for other pollutants or issues that may develop.
- There are two alert systems for the public:
  - The first alert is for the drinking water; and
  - The second alert is for recreational users:
    - The Oregon Health Authority determines and issues recreational advisories.
- Additional chlorine will be added after the biomass treatment to help prevent the biomass from being killed; and
- The chlorine will be reduced back to normal levels before it gets into the water system.

***Summary of presentation:***

Alisa Zastoupil:

- Ms. Zastoupil discussed Marion County's role for the public drinking water system;
- The OHA regulates all public drinking water systems in the state of Oregon:
  - There is an average of 3,600 water systems within the state.
- The OHA oversees the following water systems:
  - Any system with a user population over 3,300; and
  - Any body of water that is surface water:
    - Rivers;
    - Lakes; and
    - Open reservoirs.
- The OHA Drinking Water Services contracts work out to the counties or to the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to oversee the following:
  - Any system with a user population under 3,300;
  - Ground water that comes from wells; and
  - Water that is purchased from another water system.

- Marion County regulates 192 water systems representing 48,000 people:
  - These are all ground water systems that will not be impacted by algae bloom toxins.
- The ODA regulates 19 water systems within the county representing 2,000 users who require licenses:
  - Wineries; and
  - Food processing plants:
    - These are usually ground water facilities that are not impacted by algae bloom toxins.
- The OHA regulates 17 water systems representing 303,000 users:
  - The City of Salem falls into this category.
- Water systems susceptible to harmful algae blooms are required to follow the new rules put into effect on January 1, 2019 by the state of Oregon:
  - They include:
    - The City of Gates;
    - The City of Jefferson;
    - Stayton Water Supply;
    - Salem Public Works, which includes the City of Salem:
      - City of Turner; and
      - Suburban East Salem Water District.
    - A portion of the City of Lyons; and
    - A portion of the City of Mehama.
- Any water system that has been identified as susceptible is required to test for cyanotoxins during the algae bloom season every two weeks from May 1<sup>st</sup> through October 31<sup>st</sup>;
- There are multiple steps that are required by the state of Oregon for water systems that are susceptible:
  - Testing starts at the raw water intake;
  - Additional testing in different areas is required if there is a toxin detection;
  - Confirmation samples are taken if there are unsafe levels of toxins detected;
  - Do Not Drink advisories are issued if a confirmation sample is deemed unsafe; and
  - The testing requirements also direct when it is safe to remove the Do Not Drink advisory.
- Marion County Health and Human Services Environmental Health will issue guidance to the following facilities in the event that a Do Not Drink advisory goes into effect:
  - Restaurants;
  - Mobile units;
  - Hotels; and
  - Camps.
- The facilities will be notified as soon as an advisory is issued;
- Placards will be issued for posting to the public;
- Staff will be available to answer public questions in the following locations:
  - The Health and Human Services Environmental Health office;
  - Out in the field; and
  - The Emergency Operations Center if requested.

- Marion County Health and Human Services Environmental Health will also inspect water distribution sites if needed.

***Board discussion:***

- Citizens with wells that are part of the public water system are required to test for toxins:
  - They are required to treat the water system if toxins are detected above the safety threshold.
- There are no requirements for citizens with private wells that are not part of the public water system; and
- The OHA had jurisdiction over the City of Salem’s water supply in 2018.

**CONSENT**

*(Video Time 00:43:08)*

**BUSINESS SERVICES**

Approve Amendment #4 to the Lease Agreement with the Oregon State Hospital to add \$43,200 for the Marion County Health and Human Services cottage #R03 and extend the term through June 30, 2022.

Approve Amendment #5 to the Lease Agreement with the Oregon State Hospital to add \$36,000 for the Marion County Health and Human Services cottage #R14 and extend the term through June 30, 2022.

**FINANCE**

Approve an order revising Policy #407 – Annual Audits.

**HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

Approve an order to schedule a public hearing for June 26, 2019 for the application to transfer the franchise for Ambulance Service Area (ASA) #5 to the new ownership of Woodburn Ambulance Services, Inc.

**SHERIFF’S OFFICE**

Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement for incoming funds in the amount of \$194,688 with the City of Aurora to provide patrol services

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

**ACTION**

*(Video Time 00:44:41)*

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1. Consider an order approving the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Specialty Court Grant Program application for \$2,864,762.70 for the 2019-21 biennium. –Melissa Miller and Ryan Matthews

### ***Summary of presentation:***

- In 2010 the Oregon Judicial Department had a budget reduction that eliminated all the treatment courts in Marion County;
- The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission (CJC) was awarded money at the last minute in the legislative session:
  - They were able to fund eight counties that had eliminated their courts entirely; and
  - The courts have been completely dependent on funding from the Oregon CJC since 2010.
- There are five specialty treatment courts within the county:
  - The Adult Drug Court;
  - The Mental Health Court;
  - The Veterans Treatment Court;
  - The Juvenile Fostering Attachment Treatment Court; and
  - The Juvenile Drug (STAR) Court.
- Ms. Miller is currently operating three of these treatment courts;
- Marion County Health and Human Services will be in charge of the fiscal administration of the specialty court grants;
- The grant applicant is the Public Safety Coordinating Council, which approved the request;
- The role of a treatment court is to reduce recidivism and substance use disorders for individuals who are entering the criminal justice system;
- The treatment court assists individuals with the following:
  - Employment opportunities; and
  - Obtaining a general education degree.
- Individuals in the program appear before a judge once a week;
- They are randomly tested for drugs in their system at least ten times a month:
  - Every morning they call a hotline that will tell them if they are required to do a drug test that day:
    - Individuals with a positive drug test must answer to the court judicial officer for that week.
- The funding helps provide for some of the following:
  - Judicial Officers;
  - Judicial Clerks;
  - Deputy District Attorneys; and
  - Probation Officers.
- Donation funds are used as incentives for individuals who are meeting the program requirements;
- The 2017-19 biennium treatment court expenses were over \$1.4 million;
- The proposed treatment court expense for the 2019-21 biennium is \$2.8 million;

- The proposed funding increase is due to the following:
  - Additional personnel;
  - Drug testing; and
  - Client support services.
- The following courts will serve 30 participants each month:
  - The Mental Health Court;
  - The Veterans Treatment Court;
  - The Juvenile Fostering Attachment Treatment Court; and
  - The Juvenile Drug Court.
- The Adult Drug Court will serve 50 participants each month;
- The following specialists will be added to assigned client support teams:
  - A drug and alcohol clinician will be added to each team;
  - A mental health specialist will be added to one team;
  - A mental health support specialist will be added to two teams; and
  - A mental health specialist peer mentor will be added to each team.

***Board discussion:***

- It is important to understand why the specialty courts need this grant;
- Addiction and substance abuse problems can be found in every community;
- It is important to have a justice system that provides the following:
  - An understanding of addiction;
  - An understanding of relapse;
  - Works to keep communities safe; and
  - Partners with individuals that are working to improve their lives.
- In prior years the juvenile drug court had a decrease in participation:
  - Program rules were restructured; and
  - Currently individual participation is thriving.
- A quicker response time has led to a greater success rate with the juvenile population; and
- Probation officers are providing in-home services to the juvenile population.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve the Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Specialty Court Grant Program application for \$2,864,762.70 for the 2019-21 biennium. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:00:33)*

2. Consider approval of an order appointing Jan Fritz as the Marion County Chief Administrative Officer effective July 1, 2019. –John Lattimer

***Summary of presentation:***

John Lattimer:

- Mr. Lattimer would like the board to appoint Ms. Fritz as his successor for the position of Marion County Chief Administrative Officer (CAO);
- Ms. Fritz has worked with Mr. Lattimer since 2007 in the following roles:



- Deputy Chief Administrative Officer; and
- Personnel Officer.
- She has the knowledge and background qualifications needed for the CAO position;
- Ms. Fritz has worked with Mr. Lattimer for several years on the county's budget; and
- She has a thorough understanding of county business.

Jan Fritz:

- Ms. Fritz appreciates the support she has received from the commissioners;
- She recognizes the high responsibility that the CAO position holds;
- Ms. Fritz stated that public service is a noble calling;
- She is both honored and privileged to work as a county employee;
- Ms. Fritz stated that Mr. Lattimer's leadership, guidance, and expertise have set a solid foundation for the county to build on;
- She thanked Mr. Lattimer for his friendship and his role as a mentor;
- She expressed warm wishes to Mr. Lattimer for a happy retirement;
- Ms. Fritz thanks the county employees for their public service; and
- She stated she is looking forward to working with all county employees.

***Board discussion:***

- The commissioners expressed their confidence in Ms. Fritz's leadership abilities;
- They feel she will continue on the same path of success as her predecessor, Mr. Lattimer;
- Ms. Fritz has worked with Mr. Lattimer over the years to ensure that Marion County does not have a budget crisis:
  - County employees have not been laid off; and
  - County services have not been cut.
- Mr. Lattimer and Ms. Fritz have always focused on providing good information and sound advice that allows the commissioners to make good decisions.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve an order appointing Jan Fritz as the Marion County Chief Administrative Officer effective July 1, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:08:07)*

3. Consider approval of an order appointing Jan Fritz as the Marion County Budget Officer effective July 1, 2019. –John Lattimer

***Summary of presentation:***

- Oregon statute requires that governing bodies of municipalities and counties appoint a budget officer;
- The budget officer is responsible for preparing a budget to present to the budget committee and the board of commissioners;
- Ms. Fritz has assisted Mr. Lattimer with the county's budget for many years;
- The economy presented budget challenges in late 2008 and early 2009:
  - Mr. Lattimer and Ms. Fritz worked together as a team to keep the county's budget in good standing.

- Mr. Lattimer recommends approval of an order appointing Ms. Fritz as the Marion County Budget Officer.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve an order appointing Jan Fritz as the Marion County Budget Officer effective July 1, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:10:18)*

4. Consider approval of a resolution appointing Jan Fritz as the county's representative to the Courthouse Square Condominium Association, and a memorandum of action electing Jan Fritz and Allan Pollock as directors effective July 1, 2019. –John Lattimer

***Summary of presentation:***

- The Courthouse Square Condominium Association oversees the entire building that houses Marion County Departments and the Salem Area Mass Transit District, also known as Cherriots;
- The association works to keep both the county offices and the transit system offices operating;
- At one point the Courthouse Square building was closed for construction:
  - Ms. Fritz worked alongside Mr. Lattimer to get the building functional and back in working order.
- Mr. Lattimer states that Ms. Fritz has the business knowledge and the experience to be the county's representative for the Courthouse Square Condominium Association; and
- He recommends approving Ms. Fritz's appointment.

***Board discussion:***

- Oregon law requires that Ms. Fritz's appointment as a director be approved by both the board of commissioners and the transit board;
- The board will be taking two actions today with this agenda item:
  - The memorandum of action will appoint Ms. Fritz as a director; and
  - The resolution will appoint Ms. Fritz as the county's representative to the condominium board.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve a resolution appointing Jan Fritz as the county's representative to the Courthouse Square Condominium Association, and a memorandum of action electing Jan Fritz and Allan Pollock as directors effective July 1, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:14:23)*

**CLERKS OFFICE**

5. Consider approval of Amendment #1 to the Contract for Services with Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment, Inc. to add \$97,300 for a contract total of \$147,300 for direct mailing of ballots through December 31, 2021. –Bill Burgess

***Summary of presentation:***

- Amendment #1 will extend the county's current contract for ballot insertion and mailing services;
- In years past, the county performed this service in-house:
  - It required 40 employees;
  - It took six days;
  - Several hundred boxes of materials were needed; and
  - Space was limited for storage and work space.
- The ballots are divided into precincts:
  - There can be between 123 and 500 different ballot styles within one precinct;
  - Insertion of the correct ballot into the corresponding envelope is imperative; and
  - Ensuring the envelope is properly addressed is crucial.
- The county made the decision to explore alternative options for ballot insertion and mailing services;
- Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment, Inc. in Portland was selected to perform this service:
  - The company has their own sorting machines;
  - The service the company performs is accurate; and
  - It was more cost-effective for the county.
- For the past couple of years the county has retained single year contracts for trial purposes with Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment;
- The relationship has been successful;
- All the ballot materials are now routed directly to Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment;
- Two employees are sent to oversee the ballot process;
- Benefits for the county include the following:
  - Two county employees will work three days at Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment verses forty county employees working six days at county offices; and
  - The process is now more accurate.
- If Amendment #1 is approved it is estimated that the county will have enough money in the budget to fund another five elections over the next two years:
  - Future legislative decisions could impact this estimate.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve Amendment #1 to the Contract for Services with Sendit Direct Mail and Fulfillment, Inc. to add \$97,300 for a contract total of \$147,300 for direct mailing of ballots through December 31, 2021. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:18:44)*

**FINANCE**

6. Consider approval of the Contract for Services with Moss Adams, LLP for \$828,280 to provide audit services through February 28, 2025. –Jeff White

***Summary of presentation:***

- The Contract for Services with Moss Adams, LLP has been discussed at a Management Update meeting;
- The county has contracted with the same auditor for several years;
- Mr. White felt it was time to make a change and gain a new perspective from a new auditor;
- The county sent out a Request for Proposal and three were received;
- Two firms were selected to interview and meet with personnel that would be involved in the audits;
- The county selected the firm of Moss Adams, LLP for auditing services:
  - They are a nationally respected firm with offices in Portland and Eugene.
- The contract is for five years with the option to renew for up to another five years;
- The maximum on the contract is \$828,280 and includes some of the following fees for the 2018-19 fiscal year:
  - The Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) will cost approximately \$82,000;
  - A required single audit over the county's federal funds will cost approximately \$24,000; and
  - A Landfill Acceptable Use Policy will cost approximately \$2,000.
- The contract with Moss Adams, LLP is approximately \$14,000 higher than the previous year:
  - The county was anticipating a rate increase as high as \$40,000.
- The auditing firm will meet with the board of commissioners before starting the audit;
- After completing the audit, the auditing firm will present the board with the following information:
  - The CAFR;
  - The Federal Grant Compliance Report;
  - A report outlining their findings;
  - Their opinion as an auditor; and
  - Recommendations they may have for improvement.
- The audit is on behalf of the Marion County Board of Commissioner and county management;
- The board will have the opportunity to ask the auditor questions and address concerns prior to the start of the audit; and
- Additional service districts and the Cable Regulatory Commission are not included in this contract:
  - These are smaller contracts that Moss Adams, LLP will also be working on; and
  - The contracts will be presented to the board prior to being executed.

***Board discussion:***

- The contracts with the additional service districts and the Cable Regulatory Commission will be approved by the boards of each organization;
- The county brings in an outside auditing firm to ensure that everything is being done correctly;
- A five year contract is a standard contract time in the industry:

- It helps the auditor to understand how the county works.
- The audits are required by Oregon statute:
  - The state's audit division will also be reviewing the audit.
- The reports will provide information about the county's operations and finances; and
- The county periodically changes auditing firms in order to gain a different view and perspective.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve the Contract for Services with Moss Adams, LLP for \$828,280 to provide audit services through February 28, 2025. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:27:03)*

### PUBLIC WORKS

7. Consider approval of the Public Improvement Agreement with RL Reimers Company for the construction of a new fuel station at the Brown's Island Demolition Landfill for \$139,861, to be completed by August 31, 2019. –Brian Nicholas and Ryan Crowther

***Summary of presentation:***

- Brown's Island is located southwest of the City of Salem near the Willamette River;
- Currently a 500 gallon diesel fuel tank is located on the island;
- The county would like to install a 1,500 gallon diesel fuel tank and a 500 gallon gasoline fuel tank;
- The installation of a gasoline fuel tank will provide the county with the option to fuel gasoline vehicles at the landfill;
- An oil-water separator will also be installed to prevent any spills from entering into the river;
- The project will start in June 2019;
- The project will be completed in August of 2019; and
- RL Reimers Company came in with the lowest bid of \$139,861.

***Board discussion:***

- This agenda item has been discussed at a Management Update meeting.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve the Public Improvement Agreement with RL Reimers Company for the construction of a new fuel station at the Brown's Island Demolition Landfill for \$139,861, to be completed by August 31, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

*(Video Time 01:29:48)*

8. Consider approval of the Grant Agreement with Western Federal Lands Highway Division for the North Fork Road slide stabilization for \$7,322,810 through December 31, 2022. –Brain Nicholas and Ryan Crowther

**Summary of presentation:**

Ryan Crowther:

- The project is located on North Fork Road, near the City of Mill City;
- It is located on the gravel section between mile post 4.9 and mile post 5.5;
- The scope of the project will include the following:
  - Stabilization and mitigation of the areas of land involved in the slides;
  - Reconstruction of the roadway to a 22 foot wide asphalt concrete surface; and
  - Any required miscellaneous work in the area, that may include the following:
    - Guardrails;
    - Excavation; and
    - Striping.
- The county has received a federal grant for the project:
  - The grant will cover 89.73 percent of the project:
    - Approximately \$6,570,757.
  - The county will be responsible for 10.27 percent of the project:
    - Approximately \$752,053.
- The total project expense is estimated at \$7,322,810;
- The preliminary design for the project will begin in the year 2019:
  - The design completion will be in the year 2020.
- Construction for the project will begin between the years 2021 and 2023.

Brian Nicholas:

- The county was awarded this grant in the year 2017:
  - Funding for the project was received in the year 2019:
    - Program and personnel changes on the federal level slowed the funding process down.

**Board discussion:**

- The federal highways division was built to support the state highway departments;
- North Fork Road is in the county's jurisdiction until it reaches Opal Creek:
  - The Federal Highway Administration's (FHWA) jurisdiction starts at Opal Creek.
- The FHWA contracts with local agencies to take care of roads on federal lands;
- North Fork Road is on the county's right-of-way, however it is still eligible for federal funds:
  - The road repair will be a county project partially funded by the federal grant.
- Repairing the road will reestablish access to the federal segment of the roadway;
- Due to the size of the project the county plans to hire a consultant to develop the design, and a construction contractor to build the roadway;
- Segments of the road may need to be closed for a couple of days during the construction phase;
- The road has slid a short distance from its original position:
  - The county may be able to build the new road in the right-of-way and demolish the old road at a later date.
- The county may install horizontal drains to cut back on water saturation; and
- Retaining walls may be added to prevent the soil from sliding.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved to approve the Grant Agreement with Western Federal Lands Highway Division for the North Fork Road slide stabilization for \$7,322,810 through December 31, 2022. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

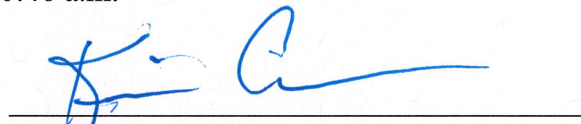
**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

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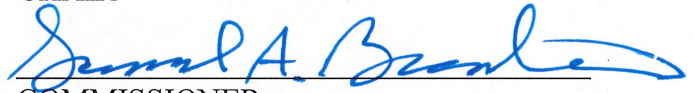
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Commissioner Willis read the calendar.

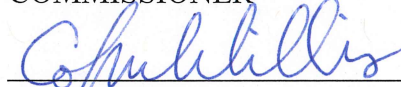
Commissioner Cameron adjourned the meeting at 10:46 a.m.



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