

INFORMAL MINUTES

October 11, 2010

3:00 p.m.

Oval Office

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary P. Stern and Leslie Lewis, with Commissioner Kathy George joining the meeting at 3:09.

Staff: Rick Sanai, Chuck Vesper, Pat Anderson, John Phelan, Bill Gille, Bill Anderson, and Becky Weaver.

Guests: Hannah Hoffman, News-Register.

* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Mary called the meeting to order.

* Personnel - Pat presented personnel requests from various departments. See agenda for details.

* Contracts/Grants - See agenda for details.

* Change Fund - Authorize the Accounting Division to increase the Assessor's Office change fund to \$750 during the tax collection season.

* Roads - Authorize the placement of a stop sign at Withycombe Road where it meets Fryer Road. Bill Anderson showed photos of the roads and recent traffic counts, noting that Public Works has received requests from the public for this stop sign.

Bill Gille presented a permit request for the paving of Sunnyridge Road. He said that after receiving calls in opposition from some of the neighbors, he had sent out survey forms to residents along the road to give them the opportunity to air their concerns. He explained that the residents in support of the request would cover all of the paving costs if the opponents do not contribute. He stated that any administrative decision made by the department would be subject to review by the Board.

John stated that he does not believe the incline of the road would pose a hazard in icy conditions if the road were paved, and noted that there would be a gravel shoulder. Leslie stated that washboard conditions on a gravel road can also be a hazard. Kathy said that it is commendable that the residents have decided to pave the road themselves. Leslie pointed out that the county doesn't ever pave roads that are not county-maintained roads, such as Sunnyridge Road, but there have been other situations where residents have gotten together and paved county-maintained roads because the county didn't have the funds to do it. The consensus of the Board was to allow Public Works to approve the permit request administratively.

Cove Orchard - The Board scheduled a meeting of the Cove Orchard Sewer Service District

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Board of Directors for 9:30 a.m. on October 14.

* Resolutions - Consideration of approval of Resolution 10-10-14-1 proclaiming October 17-23 as the 13th Annual Hands & Words Are Not For Hurting Week in Yamhill County.

* Insurance - Approve a Guaranteed Cost Plan from Liberty Northwest for workers' compensation insurance through June 30, 2011.

Chuck stated that he is planning to get an RFP out by Friday for an insurance broker who would work to get the best deal available to the county for its bundle of insurance premiums, including property, liability, and workers' compensation insurance, but excluding medical insurance. He explained that the county has never done an RFP for this, so he doesn't know if the county is getting the best deal with its current broker, Marsh USA. He explained that, with that in mind, he had requested a nine-month guaranteed cost plan from Liberty Northwest to avoid any interruption in workers' compensation coverage.

The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

Anne Britt
Secretary