

BOARD ORDERS AND MINUTES

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

SITTING FOR THE TRANSACTION OF COUNTY BUSINESS

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF YAMHILL COUNTY (“the Board”) sat for the transaction of county business in formal session on March 9, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 32 of the courthouse, Commissioners Mary Starrett, Stan Primozych, and Richard L. Olson being present.

Also present were Laura Tschabold, County Administrator; Ken Huffer, Deputy County Administrator; Christian Boenisch, County Counsel; Todd Sadlo, Senior Assistant County Counsel; Mikalie Frei, County Counsel staff; Nicole Montesano, News-Register.

Commissioner Primozych called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

- A. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** This thirty-minute time period is reserved for public comment on any topic other than a quasi-judicial land use matter or other topic scheduled for public hearing. Unless extended or restricted by the Chair or majority of the Board, public comment will be limited to three minutes per person.

Veronica Hinkes, member of Travel Yamhill Valley, Yamhelas Westsider Trail and Travel Portland, stated that Oregon is a bicyclist tourism mecca. She shared that last year there was more than 400 million dollars spent in Oregon from bicyclist tourism. Ms. Hinkes said unpaved roads and large areas of non-shouldered roads are keeping Yamhill County from being a part of this revenue. She commented that the trail will attract visitors and their money to Yamhill County, provide a safe corridor for children to go to and from school, after school activities, and have a safe area to enjoy the outdoors.

Wayne Wiebke, president of Friends of Yamhales Westsider Trail, stated that he has attended festivals, farmers markets, public meetings and he has spent one on one time with business owners, citizens and farmers. He stated in addition to citizen support he has also experienced support from six of the last seven commissioners, the Yamhill County Planning Commission, and city councils from Carlton, Yamhill, and Gaston. Mr. Wiebke said people are willing to be involved hands on with tasks such as cutting back brush, cleaning up debris, and digging. He stated that once the property is purchased the support will only continue to grow.

Steve Wick, Yamhill County resident and farmer, stated his farm is located on the northern region of Yamhill County. Mr. Wick said that while he understands some of the concerns of his neighboring farmers, he does not see any of the concerns as having potential in creating any real problems. He shared

that he and his wife would love to see the trail move forward so that they could have a safe place in Yamhill County to ride their bikes and take their horses and dogs out.

Marilyn Blen, a small organic farm owner, said she is looking forward to the recreational opportunities and the establishment of a safe corridor. Ms. Blen feels the trail will especially benefit the children of the area and enhance their lives by allowing them to take advantage of after school opportunities and outdoor activities by using the corridor to safely travel. She stated she is willing to put in her time to promote the trail and she would really appreciate the Board's support.

Peter Crocket stated he supports the trail.

B. CONSENT AGENDA: Commissioner Starrett moved approval of the consent agenda. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Starrett, Primozych and Olson voting aye.

Contracts/Grants

1. **B.O. 17-65** - Approve a notice of intent to award a contract to Brown & Brown Northwest for the County's Insurance Broker/Agent of Record.
2. **B.O. 17-66** - Approve a ground lease agreement between Yamhill County and PI Tower Development, LLC for a new wireless communications tower at Public Works for an initial term of 5 years with additional renewal terms of 5 years each.
3. **B.O. 17-67** - Approve Agreement #31460 between Yamhill County and the State of Oregon Department of Transportation, Rail and Public Transit Division for a grant to purchase three buses, in the amount of \$504,050.
4. **B.O. 17-68** - Approve Agreement #31391 between Yamhill County and the State of Oregon Department of Transportation, Rail and Public Transit Division for a grant to purchase an advanced communication system and match funds for Grant Agreements #31460 and #31581, in the amount of \$456,131.
5. **B.O. 17-69** - Approve a Special Transportation Fund (STF) sub-provider agreement between Yamhill County Transit and MV Advancements for the 2015-17 biennium, retroactive to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.
6. **B.O. 17-70** - Approve a Special Transportation Fund (STF) sub-provider agreement between Yamhill County Transit and Yamhill County Special Olympics for the 2015-17 biennium, retroactive to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.
7. **B.O. 17-71** - Approve a Special Transportation Fund (STF) sub-provider agreement between Yamhill County Transit and Oregon Mennonite Residential Services (OMRS) for the 2015-17 biennium, retroactive to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017.

Committees

8. **B.O. 17-72** - Approve the appointment of Kevin Jeffries to the Yamhill County Transit Area Advisory Committee (YCTA) to serve a 3-year term through March 9, 2020.

Misc.

9. **B.O. 17-73** - Authorize a free transit day on May 31, 2017 for the Community Connect Event.

C. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Consideration of the adoption of the final written decision, findings and conditions of Planning Docket E-06-16: Approval of a permit to allow up to 18 agri-tourism/commercial events per calendar year on property located at 30203 NE Benjamin Road, Tax Lot 3215-500, Applicant: Christian DeBenedetti.

Mr. Sadlo stated that all findings have already been distributed. Commissioner Olson moved approval of item C1. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Primozych, Starrett and Olson voting aye.

D. OTHER BUSINESS (Add-ons and non-consent items):

1. Consideration of the approval of the ConnectOregon VI Grant Agreement #31632 between the State of Oregon (ODOT) and Yamhill County for the Yamhelas Westsider Trail Bridge Construction.

Commissioner Primozych moved approval of item D1. Commissioner Olson discussed a forum as part of the formal process for the public to provide input regarding the potential impact of the trail. He shared a four step process that he feels will increase citizen involvement to ensure that they are all aware of the status, progress, the anticipated timing, and fiscal impact of all trail activity through a documented project plan that identifies tasks, responsibilities, and anticipated timelines. Commissioner Starrett restated her concerns and feelings regarding the impact the trail will have on farmers and taxpayers therefore she stated her opposition to the grant agreement. The motion passed 2-1, Commissioners Primozych and Olson voting aye, Commissioner Starrett voting opposed.

2. Consideration of a contribution to the National Association of Counties (NACo) Western Interstate Region (WIR) conference in May 2017.

Commissioner Primozych moved approval of item D2. The motion failed 2:1; Commissioner Primozych voting aye, Commissioners Starrett and Olson opposed.

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Mass gathering permit application for the 2017 Memorial Weekend Boat Races event to be held on May 27th & 28th, applicant Newberg Boat Club/Columbia Outboard Racing Association.

Commissioner Primozich opened the public hearing at 10:37 a.m.

John Hibbs stated that this is the 69th annual Memorial Weekend Boat Races and he has been involved with the event since the 1970's. He stated last year their organization didn't break even as expenses for the event have gone up significantly. He added the VFW's charitable contributions continue to be any integral part of their being able to hold the annual event. Mr. Hibbs shared they have 108 drivers on Saturday and 104 on Sunday, some of which are coming all the way from the east coast to participate in their event.

Commissioner Starrett thanked Mr. Hibbs and his organization for all that they have done over the years, stating she felt it was managed beautifully. Commissioner Olson agreed with Commissioner Starrett and added he doesn't want to see anything happen that would make this event go away. Mr. Boenisch noted historically all but \$250 of the fees for the mass gathering permit have been waived. Mrs. Tschabold said the \$250 covers the administrative costs. The public hearing closed at 10:41 a.m.

Commissioner Olson moved to approve the application with the same requirements and allocations as previous years. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Primozich, Starrett, and Olson voting aye. Final written decision, and findings will be prepared and brought before The Board for adoption on March 16, 2017.

F. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

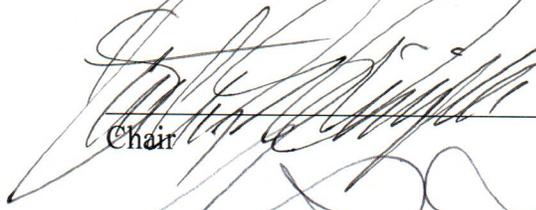
1. For information on county advisory committee vacancies, please refer to the county's website, www.co.yamhill.or.us/content/volunteer-opportunities , or call the Board of Commissioners' office at 503-434-7501 or 503-554-7801 (toll-free from Newberg).

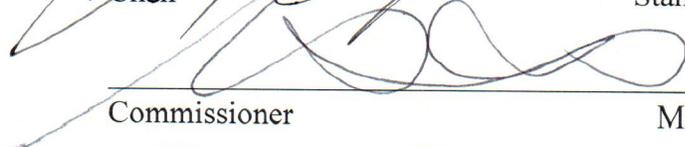
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Meeting adjourned 10:43 a.m.

Crystal Cox
Secretary

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Commissioner Mary Starrett


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Board of Commissioners on
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