

INFORMAL WORK SESSION MINUTES
February 26, 2019 1:30 p.m.

Room 32, Courthouse
535 NE Fifth St.

Present: Commissioners Richard L. "Rick" Olson, Mary Starrett and Casey Kulla

Staff: Ken Huffer, Justin Hogue, Bill Gille, Silas Halloran-Steiner, Christian Boenisch and Mikalie Frei

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News Register; and Dave Adams – KLYC and others as listed on the sign-in sheet.

Commissioner Olson called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

A. WORK SESSION: This time is reserved for topics of discussion scheduled for the Commissioners in advance. If a work session is not needed, the balance of the meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

1. Work Session –

a. Review/discussion of High Heaven Road maintenance – Bill Gille, County Surveyor

Mr. Gille reviewed the inspection report of High Heaven Road (Exhibit A) which included a 2.5-mile section beyond the gate entrance. He estimated limited county road maintenance cost to be between \$23,000-\$46,000, based on 6.7 miles, every three to five years. He noticed some proof of illegal dumping but not a significant amount. Mr. Gille estimated labor and equipment cost for clean up maintenance which would include approximately a 6-person team with equipment. He stated that the average cost for illegal dumping clean up is between \$90 - \$100 which is paid for through solid waste dumping fees. He noted the road appeared relatively clean and attributed it to the gates being closed.

After discussion, the staff was instructed to research the expense of maintenance of the 6.7 miles of public road access with no Board decisions made at this time.

b. End of work session

B. INFORMAL SESSION: This time is reserved for briefings, receipt of reports, consultation among commissioners and staff, reports from commissioners on recent actions in the areas of their responsibilities, and other personnel and administrative decisions as appropriate.

1. Department Updates: None.

2. Thursday Formal Session Agenda Review

a. Consent Agenda Review (keep or move to non-consent)

The consensus of the Board was to move forward items D1-D3 to Thursday's consent agenda.

b. Non-Consent Agenda Review (add to consent or leave off)

The consensus of the Board was to continue item D4 to Thursday 3/14/19.

3. Executive Session:

a. Executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(e) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

The meeting recessed at 2:02 p.m. to convene an executive session and reconvened at 2:12 p.m.

4. Commissioner Updates/Announcements/Discussion:

a. Discussion and consideration of calling a county-wide meeting to end homelessness (requested by Commissioner Kulla)

There was discussion regarding a county led meeting addressing homelessness. There was no action taken by the Board.

5. Adjourn: Following commissioner updates the meeting adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

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Secretary

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MEMORANDUM
February 26, 2019

To: Yamhill County Board of Commissioners
From: Bill Gille, County Engineer
Re: High Heaven Road – limited maintenance section consideration

Commissioners,

The Road Supervisor, Roy Panshcow, and I inspected the section of road beyond the lower High Heaven Road gate on Friday, February 22, 2019. We borrowed the gate key from the Sheriff's Office. I have attached photos taken on that inspection.

As you can see there was significant snow on this stretch of road. We were able to travel almost 2.5 miles before we had to turn around. The gravel portion of the road, as you can see in the photos, appears to have been well maintained. Once the snow covered the road it is difficult to say the condition of the gravel surface, however it was reasonably smooth. No effort has been made to plow the snow that we could see.

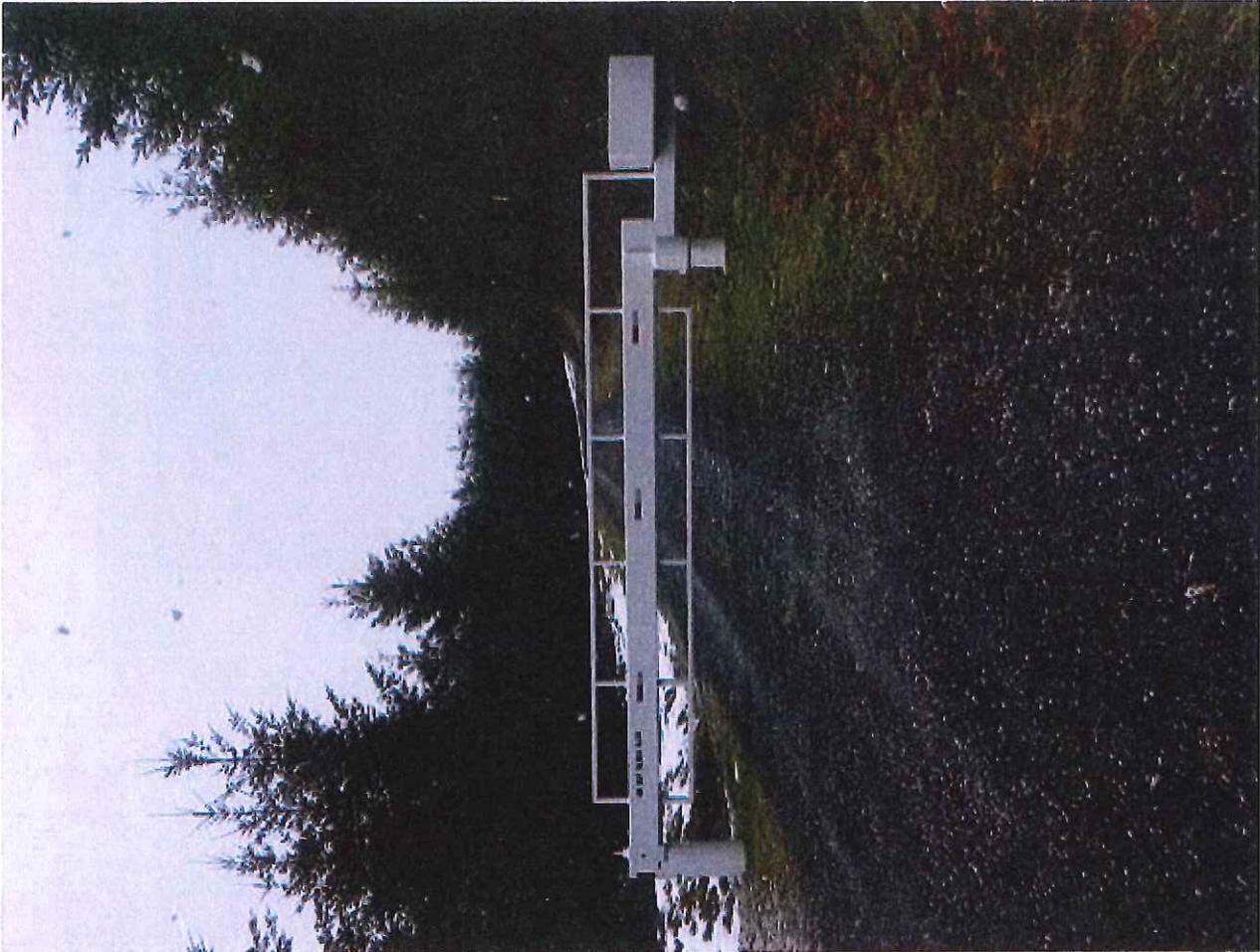
The roadbed is about 12 to 16 feet wide with numerous turn outs for traffic to pass. Several cross culverts are present along this stretch, we were unable to inspect them for condition.

The map from 1988 that shows this as a "Public Road – Limited County Maintenance" measures approximately 6.7 miles. The gated section is apparently 2.5 miles. I spoke with Roy about how much maintenance we performed as part of the "Limited County Maintenance". Roy indicates that we would spend 5 to 10 days on the 6.7 mile section with men, equipment and materials. The labor and equipment cost, in today's dollars, would amount to \$16,000 to \$32,000. The material costs would run from \$7,000 to \$14,000 on top of the labor and equipment costs. We would perform this maintenance once every 3 to 5 years depending on traffic and weather and how well the road held up. We also had some time involved in cleaning up illegal dumping areas, however I have no figures on those costs.

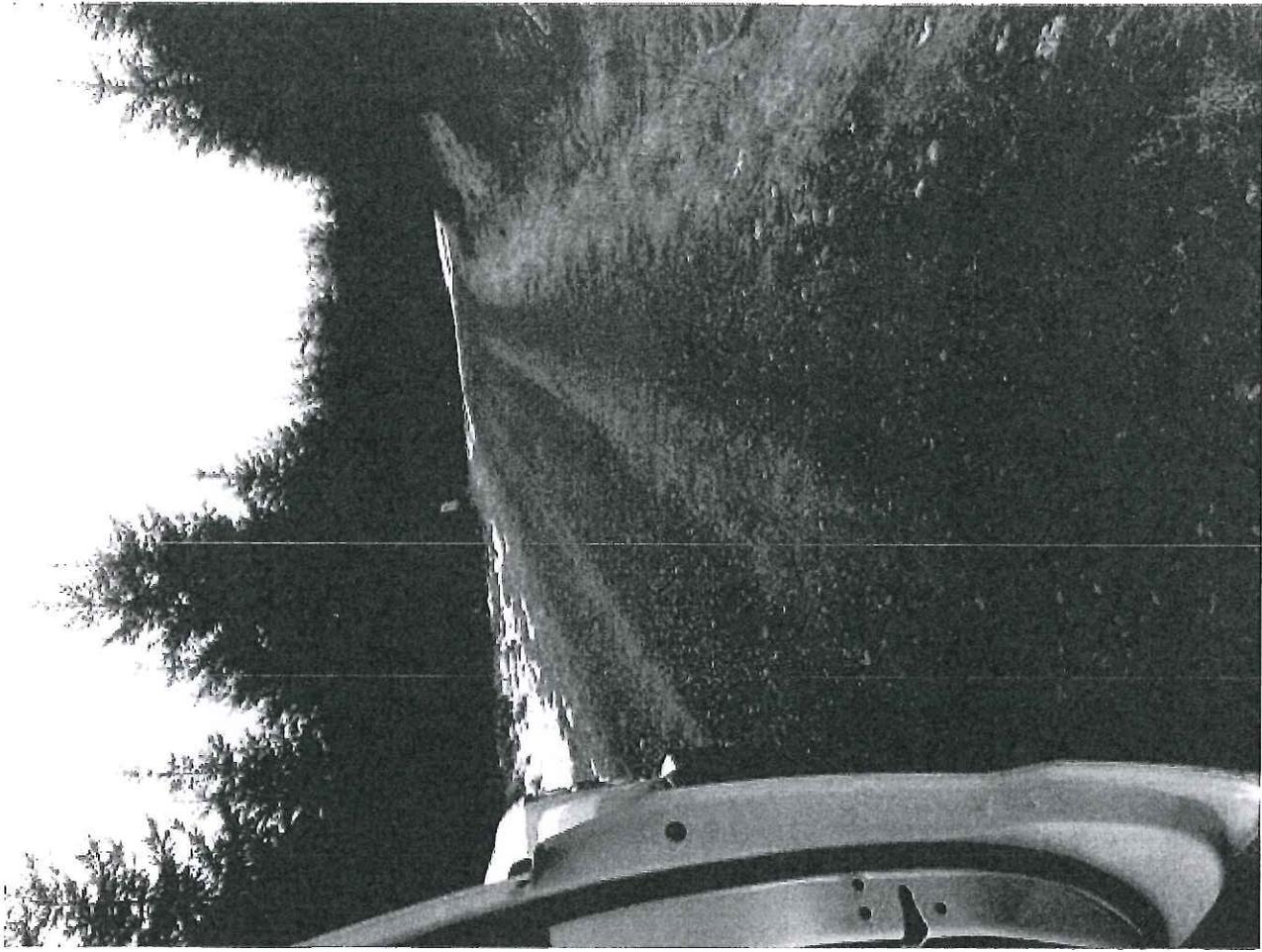
Exhibit "A"
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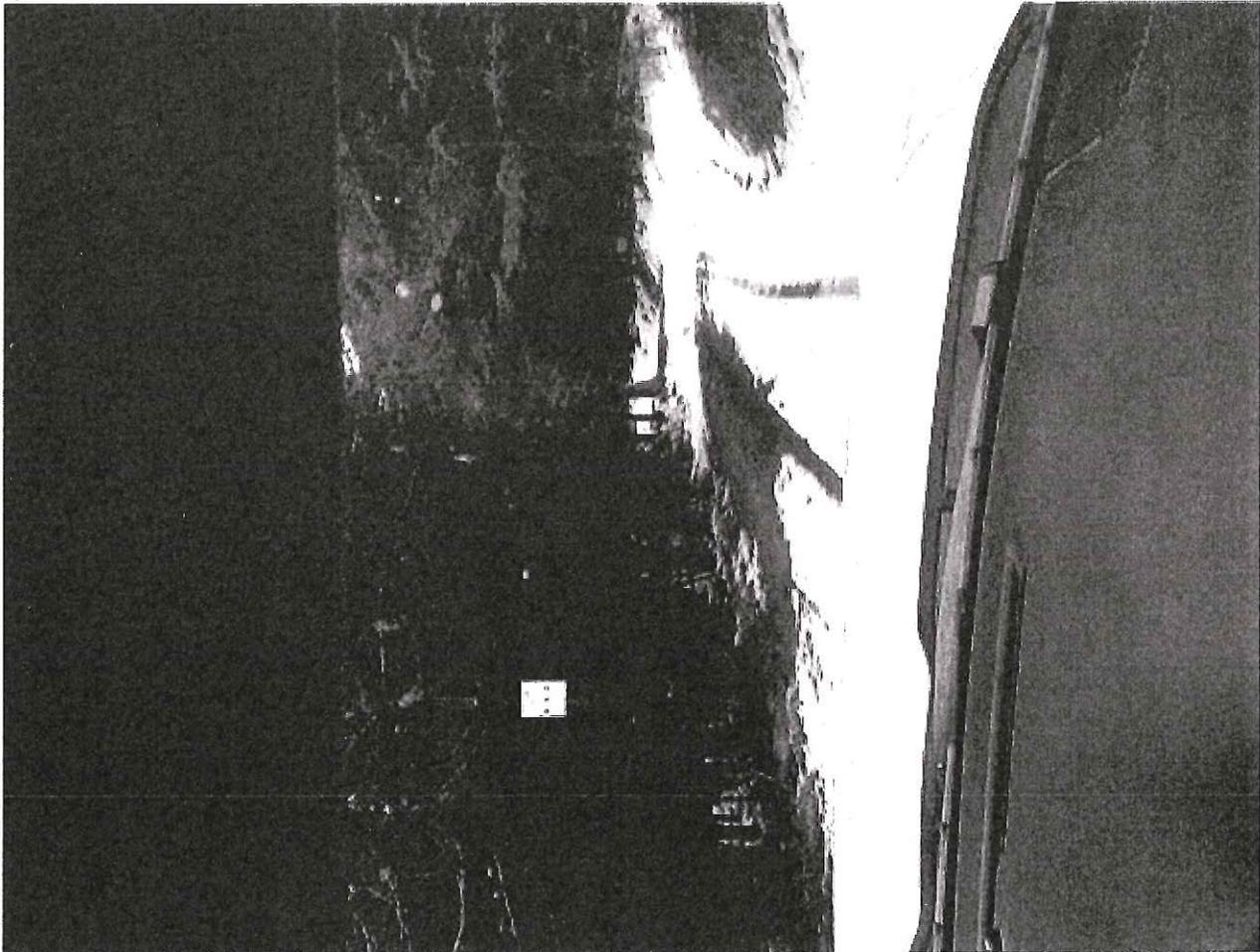
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