INFORMAL MINUTES
January 11, 2005   10:00 a.m.   Room 108, Courthouse

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary P. Stern, Leslie Lewis, and Kathy George.

Staff: Rick Sanai, Steve Mikami, Julia Staigers, and Russ Heath.

Guests: David Bates, News-Register.

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* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Mary called the meeting to order.

*   <u>Personnel</u> - Steve presented requests for personnel action received from various departments. See agenda for details.

*   <u>Contracts</u> - see agenda for details.

*   <u>BOC Meeting Schedule</u> - Adopt Ordinance 754 governing the procedures for conduct of Board meetings and the transaction of county business, repealing Ordinances 616 and 623 and declaring an emergency, effective February 7, 2005.

*   <u>Refunds</u> - see agenda for details.

<u>Dues</u> - Mary presented a dues request from Northwest Oregon RC&D, which meets on Thursdays. She stated that the Board could consider joining now that formal sessions will be on Wednesdays. She said she would ask them for a list of everything they've done and bring it back to the Board before a decision is made.

<u>Volunteer Recognition</u> - The Board agreed to discuss the Hearts and Hands volunteer recognition awards during next week's informal session.

*   <u>Wobble Wheel Roller</u> - Authorize the purchase of a Final Pass II compactor from Intermountain Machine for Public Works, $17,300.

          Russ presented his request for the compactor purchase (see attachment) and stated that he obtained two other quotes as well. He said the benefits far outweigh the maintenance costs.

<u>Measure 37 Summit</u> - Kathy and Leslie gave a report of last week's summit put on by Oregon Law Institute. They explained that the summit was mostly geared toward private attorneys on how to advise their clients. Leslie stated that there are some things in Measure 37 that will need clarification by the legislature. Some of the issues discussed included the use of mediation and alternative dispute resolution, right-to-farm laws, and rights of those who inherit property.

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

<u>Anne Britt</u>
Secretary