

## INFORMAL MINUTES

September 19, 2005

2:00 p.m.

Room 108, Courthouse

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

Staff: John M. Gray, Jr., Julia Staigers, Carol White, Dave Lawson, Richard Sly, Mike Brandt, Dan Linscheid, Ron Huber, Bill Gille, Murray Paolo, and Laura Tschabold.

Guests: Ilsa Perse, Dave Mihm, Cassie Sollars, and David Bates, News-Register.

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\* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Mary called the meeting to order.

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

\* Contracts - See agenda for details.

\* Mileage Rate - Approve an increase of the employee mileage reimbursement rate to 40.5 cents/mile, effective September 24, 2005.

The Board discussed a request from Sonja Olheiser to also match the IRS temporary increase to 48.5 cents/mile through the end of the year. John G pointed out that employees always have the option to check out a county car. The consensus was to approve the base rate increase only.

\* Resolution - Approve Resolution 05-9-21-1 declaring a state of emergency in Yamhill County due to significant damage to grasses, clovers, grains, and grapes; and requesting the governor to facilitate federal assistance from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, revising a similar resolution adopted August 31, 2005.

\* Committees - Approve the reappointment of Sam Sweeney to the Agriculture Land Assessment Board of Review for a term to expire June 30, 2006.

Kathy noted that Allison Musillami is still waiting to hear from one of the existing CCF members regarding his possible resignation, so the CCF appointments will be considered as an add-on item on Wednesday's formal session agenda.

FET Donations - The Board discussed a request from Caryl Tallon for permission to send a county-wide email asking for donations of vacation time to allow her to travel to the Gulf Coast to volunteer with the hurricane relief effort. Mary stated that John K had expressed his recommendation that the request be denied in order to be consistent with past Board decisions. She said that the county's policy has been that employees can only donate FET in cases where another employee or immediate family member is ill. The Board agreed to deny the request. Mary suggested that an announcement be sent out to employees regarding Ms. Tallon's plans to volunteer, in case anyone would like to donate money to help.

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Measure 37 - Mike Brandt presented eleven new Measure 37 claims to the Board (see attachment). John G stated that the county will begin following the state's lead in not using specific values for loss of property value, but simply making a statement in the findings that evidence indicates a substantial reduction in property value.

\* *M37-77-05* - Mike stated that Lawrence and Lois Christensen have owned this property since July 1, 1970 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. He noted that the property is in the Newberg-Dundee Bypass corridor. John G added that 14 acres of the property is subject to an environmental easement held by the county, with an option to purchase between January 1, 2007 and January 1, 2009. He explained that although the Board can waive the land use regulations, those 14 acres could not be developed. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion passed, Mary, Leslie, and Kathy voting aye. The hearing was scheduled for October 26, 2005.

Leslie stated that she has been in contact with Alan Fox of ODOT regarding Measure 37 claims along the bypass corridor. She said that ODOT is not in a hurry to do early acquisitions because at this time, they would be required to buy entire parcels, not just the portion where the road would go.

\* *M37-79-05* - Mike stated that Dave and Janice Mihm have owned this property since June 20, 1975 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Julia Staigers stated that the Cove Orchard Sewer Service District is full, and the water district may also be full, although those issues would be addressed when application is made for building permits. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.

\* *M37-80-05* - Mike stated that Merlin and Sandra LaJoie have owned this property since June 3, 1974 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.

\* *M37-81-05* - Mike stated that William Morris has owned these three tax lots since 1969, 1970, and 1971 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to those dates. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.

\* *M37-82-05* - Mike stated that Robert and Velma Chaffee have owned this property since June 11 and June 13, 1962 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to those dates. He said that he and the Assessor agree that \$7.25 million is a more reasonable loss of value than the claimants' estimate of \$14.5 million. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion passed, Mary, Leslie, and Kathy voting aye. The hearing was scheduled for October 26, 2005.

\* *M37-83-05* - Mike stated that Howard Sprague has owned this property since June 29, 1965 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.

\* *M37-84-05* - Mike stated that Ben Bunn has owned this property since November 18, 1952 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.

- \* *M37-85-05* - Mike stated that Ben Bunn has owned this property since December 18, 1946 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.
- \* *M37-86-05* - Mike stated that Norvin and Susan Kenner have owned this property since February 28, 1967 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.
- \* *M37-87-05* - Mike stated that Terry Wyffles has owned this property since July 28, 1978 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.
- \* *M37-88-05* - Mike stated that Terry Wyffles has owned this property since August 4, 1975 and he recommended waiving land use regulations back to that date. Mary moved to hold a public hearing. The motion failed, Mary voting aye and Leslie and Kathy voting no.
- \* Road Vacations - Approve Public Works Docket RV-6-2005, a request for vacation of a portion of platted roads in Yamhill Walnut Groves, no hearing necessary under ORS 368.351, as continued from September 7, 2005.
- \* Approve Public Works Docket RV-7-2005, a request for vacation of a portion of Redmond Hill Road, no hearing necessary under ORS 368.351.
- \* A&T Website - Approve a Board Order regarding non-disclosure of electronic property tax information on the Yamhill County Internet website.

John G reviewed the draft order and its definition of public safety officers. He stated that this policy is much more protective of privacy rights for public safety officers than what he has read from other counties. Kathy expressed concern about protecting the safety of citizens in situations such as when a restraining order is issued. John G explained that a restraining order can be filled out by the judge to exempt the victim from public access on the website, and he said would discuss the issue with the presiding judge. He will also include language in the Board Order regarding court orders.

Photo ID Cards - Julia stated that Brian Dunn needs to get the photo ID cards made soon to be used in the Stern Building. She noted that special software will be needed to make the cards also function as key cards. The Board reviewed several designs for the ID cards and made a selection.

Work Session - The Board agreed to schedule a work session on September 27, 2005 at either 10:00 a.m. or 2:00 p.m. to discuss traffic safety road improvements for developers with Bill Gille and Mike Brandt.

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 p.m.

Anne Britt  
Secretary