

INFORMAL MINUTES

June 12, 2006

2:00 p.m.

Room 108, Courthouse

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

Staff: John Mr. Gray, Jr., John Krawczyk, Steve Mikami, Ken Huffer, Paul May, and Ken Summers.

Guests: David Bates, News-Register; Dave Johnson, Oregon Department of Forestry; Wendy Crawford, Fair Board member, and Rich Kuehn.

* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Leslie called the meeting to order and called for a moment of silence in memory of Diane Cilenti.

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

Tillamook State Forest - Dave Johnson, District Forester for the Oregon Department of Forestry, stated that although there are no forest trust lands in Yamhill County, there is a regional effect from state forest lands and the state would like to have ongoing contact with the Board in case forestry-related issues come up. He discussed a handout (see attachment) and stated that efforts will soon be made by a Community Wildfire Planning group to determine emergency management roles for jurisdictions such as counties, cities, and rural fire departments. Leslie suggested that Mr. Johnson contact Jeffrey Gottfried, Forest Education Program Coordinator.

* Contracts/Grants - See agenda for details. John G directed Ken Huffer to let the public relations person at Weyerhaeuser know that the donation agreement will be on Wednesday's agenda and to put her in touch with David Bates. Ken noted that Dan Linscheid is having crews do the survey work and he will be contacting Planning about a lot line adjustment.

Parks Concessions - Ken requested guidance from the Board regarding two recent requests by vendors for permission to operate concessions at Rogers Landing. The group discussed issues such as exclusivity, signage, and sales percentages, and agreed to have the Parks Board make a recommendation on parks concessions before making a final decision.

Emergency Communication - Lt. May reported that a communications drill had been conducted for the Blue Team on Friday night with a 50% in-person response rate for the sixteen individuals contacted. He stated that the only issue was that some phones would not accept calls from cell phones. John K suggested having those people change their home phone service if they are going to be on the call list.

Lt. May also reported on an actual communications failure with the Sprint phone system on Friday night, explaining that a cable was severed in Lincoln City, which interrupted all phone

communication in Sheridan, Willamina, and Grand Ronde as well as 911 service and some land line service. He stated that Amateur Radio Emergency Services (ARES) was activated, the media was notified, fire departments were put on standby, and he will be doing an After Action Report. He said he would be checking up on why phone service did not roll over into the redundant line through Eugene.

Mary noted that broadcasting the Board's formal sessions via cable or internet could offer a means of getting emergency information out to the public. John G recommended developing a county policy first.

Surplus Property - Lt. Summers stated that a large collection of equipment and supplies seized from a marijuana operation on Hebo Road has been awarded to Yamhill County by the courts. He said that Dayton School District has an agriculture program which would be a great use for much of this equipment. Leslie suggested he contact the head FFA advisor and find out which other schools also have ag programs, then return to the Board with a recommendation for disposal of the property. Mary added that the Master Gardeners at the OSU Extension Service might be interested in any remaining equipment.

* Committees - Consideration of initiating the process to remove Larry Collver from the Fair Board.

Leslie distributed copies of a resignation letter from Fair Manager Al Westhoff, a letter from Fair Board members Gary Wertz, Wendy Crawford, and John Kemper requesting that the Board take action to remove Larry Collver from the Fair Board, and a letter from Fair Board member Joe Sharp in support of the request. John G reviewed the statutory procedure for removing a member of the Fair Board and stated that four members have expressed their opinion that the statutory criteria is met.

Mary suggested asking the Fair Board to work with Larry through mediation to see if the incompatibility can be repaired, since members all agree that he has contributed a great deal to the Fair over the years. She added that Russ Christensen is supportive of the idea. Leslie stated that she cannot support going to mediation because of the history of incompatibility with Fairgrounds users as well as Fair Board members. Kathy stated that the Fair Board has done everything they could to be gracious and inappropriate behavior cannot be mediated. She said she would like to talk to Fairgrounds users between now and Wednesday. John G pointed out that mediation would still be an option after the process is initiated. He said he would prepare the paperwork for Wednesday and the Board can decide by then how to vote.

* Approve the reappointment of Brad Myers to the Planning Commission for a four-year term to expire June 30, 2010.

Mary stated that the Planning Commission also recommends the reappointment of Daryl Garrettson, who brings a great deal of experience to the commission. Leslie stated that the Board replaced someone last year who had been a commission member for a long time, similar to Daryl, and she would like to be consistent. Leslie and Kathy agreed to talk to Mike Brandt

and continue the item until next week.

* Rates - Consideration of adoption of a revised rate schedule for Western Oregon Waste, effective July 1, 2006, as tentatively approved June 7, 2006.

Postage Meter - John K presented a recommendation from Julia Staigers to purchase a new postage meter from Pitney-Bowes because the county's existing meter will be obsolete by the end of the fiscal year. He said that the cost of the machine would be just under \$25,000 and the county is required to obtain three competitive quotes, which Julia may have already done. The item was postponed until next week.

Right-of-Way - The Board discussed a memo from Mike Brandt regarding concerns by David Mihm that road improvements have not been made along Graham Avenue/Forest Drive (see attachment). John G stated that he had sent a letter to Mr. Mihm on March 5, 2005 explaining the issue and suggesting that he see a lawyer if he desires. Ms. Lewis stated that she doesn't believe the land could be vacated back to him because the road may be built on the right-of-way. The Board agreed to talk to Bill Gille individually to review the issue.

Water Rights - Leslie stated that Water Resources was supposed to have sent a land use information form to Polk County, Yamhill County, and the City of Willamina regarding the Grand Ronde Community Water Association and Kathy Thole is wondering if Yamhill County ever received the form. She said that Mike Brandt had not received it as of March but is not sure, although he did explain that the water rights issues are actually all in Polk County. The Board agreed to have the Chair send a letter to Ms. Thole stating that there is no evidence that official action was taken if the form was received.

* Earlwood Road - The Board agreed to table the request for a residential district on Earlwood Road until further notice and Bill Gille will work on sending notices to the neighbors.

* Fee Policy - Consideration of approval of the 2006-07 Fee Policy for Health & Human Services, effective July 1, 2006. Mary stated that she would like to see a list of the current rates for comparison purposes.

The meeting adjourned at 3:48 p.m.

Anne Britt
Secretary



Notable Achievements in the Tillamook State Forest

June 12, 2006

Social Values

- New Facilities
 - Design and development of new, high quality facilities and recreational opportunities
 - Tillamook Forest Center (new)
 - 10 campgrounds, including Reehers Campground (new)
 - 40+ miles of new non-motorized trails
 - 120+ miles of designated off-highway-vehicle trails
 - Land exchange to facilitate creation of new Stub Stewart State Park
 - Maintenance of new facilities at a high standard
- New Programs
 - Volunteer Program
 - Development and expansion of opportunities for volunteers
 - Education Program
 - 2,500 local students and their teachers visit the forest in 2006
- Improved Customer Relationships
 - Expanded interaction with forest users: committees, groups and meetings
 - More responsible clientele now using the forest
 - Striving to meet user expectations
 - New facilities, existing facilities and maintenance
 - Expanded information & education
 - Safety
 - Law enforcement presence
 - Public use rules
 - Camp Hosts
 - Patrol by ODF staff

Environmental Values

- Road improvement: hundreds of miles of old road improved by installing new culverts, resurfacing with crushed rock and removal of barriers to fish passage.
- Stream improvement: miles of in-stream placement of woody material and boulders to improve fish habitat.
- Treatment of diseased forests: removal of stands infected with Swiss Needle Cast and laminated root rot and reforestation with a mix of disease-resistant species.

Economic Values

- Over the last 10 years, 769 million board feet of timber harvested and \$132 million in revenue distributed to Tillamook & Washington Counties. (Tillamook Co. = \$88.7 million; Washington Co. = \$43.3 million.)
- Substantial economic value derived by providing jobs, recreational opportunities and enhanced quality-of-life benefits linked to the Tillamook State Forest.

EXHIBIT A - 1/2



Ways to Participate with the Oregon Department of Forestry

The Oregon Department of Forestry provides a number of opportunities to learn more about the management of State Forests and to become involved or provide comment on how these lands are managed. Here are some opportunities:

- State Forests Advisory Committee (SFAC). This citizen-based group represents many different forest user groups and provides input and advice on how State Forests are managed. SFAC meets quarterly; meetings are open to the public.
- Tillamook Recreation Advisory Committee (TRAC). This citizen-based group represents the many different recreational users of the Tillamook State Forest. TRAC meets quarterly; meetings are open to the public.
- Volunteer Programs:
 - Volunteer Trail Patrol: meetings held monthly.
 - Adopt-a-Trail Program: group or individual help on specific trails.
 - Non-motorized trail planning: meetings held twice a year.
 - Non-motorized trail work parties: 3rd Saturday from March – October.
 - Off-Highway-Vehicle (OHV) trail planning: meetings held quarterly.
 - Motorized trail work parties: 2nd Saturday from March – October.
 - Camp Host Program: at seven ODF campgrounds from May – October.
- ☐ For more information see: <http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/TSF/volunteer.shtml>
- Annual Operation Plan review. A 45-day open comment period (February 15th – March 31st) to review and comment on the Districts' draft Annual Operation Plans (AOP's). AOP's are available on-line at:
http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/STATE_FORESTS/planning.shtml
- Forest tours. Group tours of the forest are available upon request.
- Open opportunity to provide comment. ODF staff is available to answer questions or receive input or comment from the public on any aspect of forest management. Face-to-face and on-the-ground site visits are available, as needed.
- Oregon Board of Forestry meetings. The Board of Forestry meets every one to two months. These public meetings include time for open public comment.

Additional information about the Oregon Department of Forestry is available on-line at: <http://egov.oregon.gov/ODF/index.shtml> or contact the Forest Grove District office, 801 Gales Creek Road, Forest Grove, 97116; phone: 503-357-2191.

6/9/06

EXHIBIT A - 2/2

MINUTES

Page 5

INFORMAL SESSION

June 12, 2006

2:00 p.m.

LL__KG__MS__

Yamhill County

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

525 NE FOURTH STREET • McMinnville, Oregon 97128

Phone:(503) 434-7516 • Fax:(503)434-7544 • Internet Address: <http://www.co.yamhill.or.us/plan/>

DATE: June 12, 2006

TO: Board of Commissioners

FROM:  Michael Brandt, Planning Director

RE: David Mihm, Right-of-way Issue

On May 31, 2006, while discussing a planning application with David Mihm, he indicated that he has a continuing problem with a right-of-way issue. Apparently, several years ago Mr. Mihm donated and deeded some land to the County for future improvement of Graham Avenue/Forest Drive. According to Mr. Mihm, Dan Linscheid previously requested additional right-of-way from Mr. Mihm. His understanding was that future development along the roadway would necessitate improvement of that road. To date that has not happened.

After listening to Mr. Mihm, I informed him that I would bring this matter to your attention for consideration and action.

cc: John Gray
Bill Gille
Dan Linscheid

EXHIBIT B - 1/1

MINUTES

Page 6

INFORMAL SESSION

June 12, 2006

2:00 p.m.

LL__KG__MS__