

INFORMAL MINUTES

July 6, 2009

1:15 p.m.

Oval Office

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

Staff: Laura Tschabold, John M. Gray, Jr., Rick Sanai, Mike Brandt, Ken Friday, Mike McNickle, Gary Vanderveen, Pat Anderson, Ted Smietana, Barb Paladeni, Brad Berry, and Murray Paolo.

Guests: Judge John Collins.

* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Leslie called the meeting to order.

Farm Zone Activities - Mike Brandt stated that a recent OLCC application by Plate & Pitchfork has prompted an interest by the Board in looking at the issue of entertainment events in farm zones in greater detail. He said that there are provisions in the county’s zoning ordinance amendments from November 1994 that limit such events, but his office is not going out of its way to enforce those restrictions and the issue is now coming up much more frequently. He added that property owners are often not getting any permits to serve food at these events. He suggested that the issue be looked at by the Planning Commission in conjunction with the recommendations that come out of the agri-business study.

Rick Sanai stated that the Department of Land Conservation & Development has historically disfavored entertainment-type activities in farm zones. He also expressed concern about the potential for one outbreak of food-borne illness to tie the county up in litigation for years. After further discussion, the Board agreed that the issue needs to be looked at in depth after the agri-business study is completed.

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

* Contracts/Grants - See agenda for details.

Land Use - Ken Friday briefed the Board on Planning Dockets S-14-06 (Eastman) and C-17-08 (Delikat). A site visit was scheduled for the Delikat property on July 10.

* Plans - Adopt the Community Corrections Misdemeanor Sentencing Guidelines.

Ted Smietana reviewed the priority list for misdemeanor supervision cases and stated that his goal is to not only reduce workload, but to supervise cases more appropriately for their risk level. He stated that medium- and high-risk cases would get the most attention. Judge Collins noted that some individual cases may be moved above or below the threshold for supervision depending on the circumstances. Brad Berry stated that his office would make changes

immediately in how it makes plea offers, but this would not affect pending offers.

* Surplus Property - Declare a locked safe from the Stern Building as surplus county property to be auctioned.

* Declare a Dell D505 laptop, serial #37GWR41, as surplus county property to be sold to the Cove Orchard Sewer Service District for \$180.

* Refunds - Approve a Blanket Refund Order authorizing the Tax Collector to issue lawful refunds to taxpayers, retroactive to July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2010.

Roads - John Gray presented a request from the City of Newberg to initiate legalization proceedings for South Blaine Street. He stated that this is a public road, but has not been accepted into the county road system. Leslie moved to deny the request based on lack of jurisdiction. The motion passed unanimously.

* Dues - Authorize the payment of \$1776 to the Association of O&C Counties for 2009-10 dues.

Letter of Support - The Board agreed to sign a letter of support for the Port of Newport's proposal to bring the NOAA Pacific Marine Operations Center to Newport and the Yaquina Bay region.

Minutes - Mary moved approval of the informal minutes listed below. The motion passed unanimously.

B. O. 09-354 - April 7, 2008 9:00 a.m. (Service Team budget presentations)

B. O. 09-355 - April 7, 2008 1:30 p.m. (Service Team budget presentations)

B. O. 09-356 - April 8, 2008 (Service Team budget presentations)

B. O. 09-357 - April 9, 2008 9:00 a.m. (Service Team budget presentations)

B. O. 09-358 - April 9, 2008 1:40 p.m. (Service Team budget presentations)

B. O. 09-359 - December 15, 2008

B. O. 09-360 - January 5, 2009

B. O. 09-361 - January 26, 2009

B. O. 09-362 - February 2, 2009

B. O. 09-363 - March 6, 2009

B. O. 09-364 - March 23, 2009

* See agenda for formal session minutes to be adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Anne Britt
Secretary