

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.

Carolina Rook
Secretary