## CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES OF MARCH 2, 2022 REGULAR MEETING Open Portion

**Be It Remembered** that the Crook County Court met in a Regular Court meeting on March 2, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the County meeting room located at 320 NE Court Street, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

<u>Court Members Present</u>: Judge Seth Crawford, Commissioner Jerry Brummer and Commissioner Brian Barney <u>Absentees</u>: None <u>Others Present in Person or Via WebEx</u>: Legal Counsels Eric Blaine and John Eisler;

Administration Executive Assistants Amy Albert; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Manager Casey Daly; Director Will VanVactor; Director Dodge Kerr; Account Manager Christina Haron; Manager Brent Bybee; Sheriff John Gautney; Manager Tim Deboodt; Assessor Jon Soliz; Senior Appraiser Shannon Alleman; Kelly Coffelt; Mike Warren; Nadine McCrindle; Erica Montgomery and Monty Kurtz.

## **REGULAR SESSION**

The meeting was **called to order at 9:00 a.m.** 

**MOTION** to approve the Consent Agenda as presented with these changes. Motion seconded. No discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Appearances / Additional Item</u>: Judge Crawford read a proclamation stating Mach 2022 is nation Red Cross month at the request of Nadine McCrindle from the American Red Cross.

<u>Appearances / Item #9</u>: Erika Montgomery from the Stock Growers Association appeared before the Court to request requesting fees be waived for an upcoming ranch roping and stock dog trial. This is an annual fee the County waives; in turn the Stock Growers Association provides scholarships to 4-H children.

**MOTION** to approve waiver for Stock Growers Association fees. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item #10</u>: Fairgrounds Manager Casey Daly asked for the Court's approval to hire Griffin Construction to repair the water damage to the indoor arena kitchen. Mr. Daly had sought bid from several construction companies in Central Oregon, but Griffin Construction was the only company that responded to his request.

**MOTION** to approve Griffin Construction to repair the Fairgrounds kitchen for \$15,314. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item #11</u>: Community Development Director Will VanVactor brought a plat before the Court for signatures. The land belongs to the County but needs to be validated.

**MOTION** to approve the validation and signing of patrician plat 217-21-000876-PLNG. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item #12</u>: The County will hold a pre-bid meeting for the Belknap Exhibit Center March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Order 2022-07 states that the County may choose a contractor based on merits other than price. A public hearing was opened for this matter, with no comment from the public.

**MOTION** to approve Order 2022-07 findings for Belknap Exhibit Center CM/GC. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item #13</u>: County Court had previously discussed finding a new pharmacist for the jail, due to time constraints Commissioner Barney was delegated to sign a contract on behalf of the County. The County jail entered into a contract with Doctor Dellera-Storo, the contract was brought before the entire Court so it maybe ratified.

**MOTION** to ratify the professional services contract between the County and Doctor Dellera-Storo. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item #14</u>: Ordinance 330 amending titles 17 and 18 of the Cook County code was ready by title only for the second time. A public hearing was opened for this matter, with no comment from the public the hearing was closed. This Ordinance will go into effect once it is recorded by the Clerk's Office.

**MOTION** to read by title only. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

**MOTION** to approve Ordinance 330 as written. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

<u>Discussion item - Additional</u>: County Counsel drafted an emergency drought declaration as requested at the March 1<sup>st</sup> Work Session.

**MOTION** to approve Order 2022-10 declaration of local drought and request to declare a state of drought emergency for Crook County. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

At 9:22 a.m. the Court convened into Executive Session under the following statute(s): ORS 192.660(2)(h) Consulting with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed and ORS 192.660(2)(g), "to consider preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade or commerce in which the governing body is in competition with governing bodies in other states or nations."

## **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, the County Court convened back into Open Session, inviting members of the public into the meeting room.

**MOTION** to approve engagement letter as discussed in the Executive Session. Motion seconded. No further discussion. Motion carried 3-0.

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:20 a.m**.

Respectfully submitted,

**Amy Albert**