

**CROOK COUNTY COURT MINUTES
OF JUNE 14, 2022 WORK SESSION
Open Portion**

Be It Remembered that the Crook County Court met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on June 14, 2022, at 9:00 a.m. in the Administration Conference room located at 203 NE Court Street, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

Court Members Present: Judge Seth Crawford and Commissioner Jerry Brummer

Absentees: Commissioner Brian Barney

Others Present in Person or Via WebEx: Legal Counsels Eric Blaine and John Eisler; Administration Executive Assistant Amy Albert; Legal Assistant Lindsay Azevedo; Road Master Bob O'Neal; Shop Superintendent James Staniford; Director Will VanVactor; Building Official Randy Davis; Manager Brent Bybee; Chelsea Carter; Scott Aycock; Michael DeHart; Joe Franell; Brian Walsh and members of the public.

WORK SESSION

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

Public Comment: Jack Rabenberg – Thanked the Court for taking public comment.

Agenda Item #1, Broadband Needs and Opportunities: Scott Aycock, Michael DeHart and Joe Franell attended today's Work Session to discuss broadband grant opportunities available through the Oregon Broadband Office. The broadband will be geared towards making improvements to existing broadband and making it available to those with limited or no access. Judge Crawford will work towards the next steps in this process.

Agenda Item #2, Gala & Empire Solar Access Road Over BLM ROW: Brian Walsh attended today's meeting to discuss the County submit a SF-299 to the BLM for a ROW over the existing Gala solar project access road. Mr. Walsh has previously approached the County with this proposal, at the time he was advised to seek alternate solutions. Mr. Walsh has not sought alternate solutions due to the BLM being understaffed and unresponsive. Commissioner Brummer will facilitate a meeting between Mr. Walsh and the BLM.

Agenda Item #3, Community Development Update: Community Development Director Will VanVactor provided a monthly update for the Planning Department. The number of permits received by the Planning Department is down from this time last year, but the department is still busy working on larger projects. Building Official Randy Davis stated the Building Department is fully staffed and currently working on training.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None Scheduled

There being no further business before the Court, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:17 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Albert