

MINUTES
UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Meeting of August 16, 2016
9:00 a.m., Room 130, Umatilla County Courthouse
Pendleton, Oregon

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Commissioners Present: Vice-Chair Larry Givens and Commissioner Bill Elfering
Absent: Chair George Murdock

County Counsel: Doug Olsen

Members and Guests Present: Mark Moore, East Umatilla County Health District Administrator; Jeremy Lasater, EUCHD Driver; Donna Grimes, EUCHD Office Manager; Marty Botts; Dale Primmer, Director of Community Justice; Paul Chalmers, Assessment & Taxation Director

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:10 a.m. Vice-Chair Givens noted Commissioner Elfering was delayed; he recessed the meeting. Commissioner Elfering arrived and the meeting reconvened at 9:15 a.m.

Vice-Chair Givens reminded those present that the meeting is a public forum. It is being video and audio recorded and minutes will be taken. Comments will become part of the meeting record. If persons wish to speak before the Board, please come to the podium, identify yourself and state where you live for the record.

Awards/Recognitions/Correspondence. None

Minutes of Previous Meeting. Commissioner Elfering moved to approve the minutes of the 7/27/16 Board meeting. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.

Additions to Agenda. None

Public Comments. For anything other than what is on the agenda. None.

Presentations: None

Business Items

1. **Formation of New Health District.** Vice-Chair Givens called the public hearing to order at 9:15 a.m. noting this is the second hearing. He asked for the staff report. Doug Olsen noted this is for the East Umatilla County Health District to allow expansion of taxable area to coincide with its ambulance service area under a new district. The first hearing was on 7/27/16; boundaries were established. It is basically for the area that is served under Ambulance Service Area excluding the portion on the Reservation. If approved by the Board, it would go to the voters and then, if passed, the new district would be established with a permanent tax rate. Vice-Chair Givens opened the hearing to public comments asking for any in favor or in support.

Marty Botts, resident of Athena since 1992, he is on the EUCHD Board but comments are as a private citizen. The ambulance service and health district is a wonderful thing in a small area. He wants the

district to be most efficient. He advised of his education background and noted he is going on to medical school. He feels the process is less collaborative than it could have been. He is a liberal person and felt the process was more directed/ goal oriented task driven, which was valid and good. However, he felt the district is capable of doing better and the Board needs to consider health issues and ways to accomplish services efficiently with best use of taxes. He felt it is good to move forward, but wanted to share his opinion publicly. Vice-Chair Givens asked for more in favor. None were heard. He asked for any in opposition? None were heard. He closed the hearing at 9:22 a.m. to deliberate.

Commissioner Elfering noted the District Board is in support and he is considering Mr. Botts' comments before it goes to the vote. He encouraged Mr. Botts to involve the public moving forward. It is now up to the voters to decide – if yes, it goes to the ballot. In his reading, he is in support of the district. Vice-Chair Givens agreed that the process is good. It is going to the voters to voice their opinion. He also suggests that the District Board have continued public meetings in the meantime. **Commissioner Elfering moved, In the Matter of Formation of East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District and Calling for Election, to adopt Order No. BCC2016-069. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**

2. Vehicle Purchase Bids – Developmental Disabilities. Mr. Olsen noted two bids were received. Commissioner Elfering advised of a bid from Sherrell Chevrolet for a 2016 Malibu LT = \$21,529, and for a 2016 Malibu LS for \$22,498. Also a bid from Tom Denchel Ford for a 2017 Ford Fusion = \$17,950/each, or \$35,900. [Mr. Olsen noted per bid specs, up to \$45,000 could be expended for either 2 mid-size cars or three smaller.] Dale Primmer added that the Board decision could be made today. **Commissioner Elfering moved to accept low bid from Tom Denchel Ford of \$35,900 for two Ford Fusions. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
3. Vehicle Purchase Bids – Environmental Health. Bids were opened by Commissioner Elfering. One is from Tom Denchel Ford for a 2017 F150 pickup, 4 wheel drive for \$26,800. From Sherrell Chevrolet, a 2016 Silverado, 4 wheel drive for \$32,265. Mr. Olsen noted the request was for 4-wheel drive and V8 engine. **Commissioner Elfering moved to accept the bid from Tom Denchel Ford (low bid) of \$26,800. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
4. Vehicle Purchase Bids – Alcohol & Drug. Mr. Olsen advised Board action today is just for authorization to request for proposals. Funds were budgeted in the amount of \$36,000. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve going out for RFP for two new vehicles for the A&D program. Seconded by Commissioner Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
5. Counselor Compensation Increase. Vice-Chair Givens asked for the staff report and comments. Mr. Olsen advised this is in the A&D Program. They have a counselor who has the appropriate certification for clinical supervision, but does not have the actual education for position advancement. The request is to add 5% salary increase for the clinical supervision component. Departmental funding is available – but it may not be budgeted. Clarification was made this position will allow clinical supervision, but is not a supervisor. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve 5% pay increase to provide clinical supervision duties effective 9/1/16. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
6. Vehicle Purchase – Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Elfering noted this is to replace his vehicle, a Ford Escape, 4 years old, at the 100,000 mileage mark. It is working well and probably would be a good pool car. Today's action is for authority to go out for bids (for mid-sized SUV). Mr. Olsen added it

will be paid for through the Fleet Management Fund. **Vice-Chair Givens moved to approve requesting proposals as outlined. Seconded by Commissioner Elfering. Carried, 2-0.**

7. Vehicle Purchase – Community Corrections. Dale Primmer, Community Corrections Director, presented. This goes along with a new Detective position in needs of a vehicle. He feels a general mid-size vehicle is appropriate. Today he requested authorization to go out for bids. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
8. ESP Equipment Purchase. Mr. Primmer noted previous discussions about the need over the biennium to update and upgrade electronic surveillance equipment for alcohol monitoring. He applied for a Wildhorse Foundation grant, which was awarded in the amount of \$9,450 (over half the \$17,000 amount needed). Today's request is to supplement funds in the amount of \$7,550 for total of \$17,000 to purchase 5 alcohol monitoring electronic surveillance devices. This will complete the upgrade of equipment at this time. There is no general fund impact – program and state funds are available. This ESP is for DUI offenders and as an alternative to jail custody for drug court clients. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
9. Appointments to Fair Board. Mr. Olsen noted two positions are up for reappointment – Mel Keely and Robert Wolfe for the period 1/1/16 and ending 12/31/18. Vice-Chair Givens noted for the record that the County is looking at transitioning the Fair Board into next year with the move to EOTEC. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve/adopt Order No. BCC2016-070. Seconded by Vice-Chair Givens. Carried, 2-0.**
10. Economic Development Grant. Commissioner Elfering noted the \$10,000 grant request comes from the City of Pendleton for a SOAR grant for Oregon UAS Future Farm Project. This is a new concept (unmanned aircraft systems) for management of crops, water, irrigation, etc. **Commissioner Elfering moved to approve an economic development grant \$10,000 to the City of Pendleton. Vice-Chair Givens seconded. Carried, 2-0.**
11. Sun Ridge Systems Payable. Mr. Olsen reported on behalf of Capt. Kathy Lieuallen. This is the annual payment for Hermiston's portion of RIMS support services for dispatch (the Board previously approved a payable for the County's portion). This is for 911, budgeted, standard payable. **Vice-Chair Givens moved to approve. Seconded by Commissioner Elfering. Carried, 2-0.**

No executive session.

No other business.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda Slatt,

Executive Secretary, Umatilla County Board of Commissioners