

AGENDA ITEM FOR ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING

() Discussion only
(X) Action

FROM (DEPT/ DIVISION): Douglas R. Olsen
County Counsel

SUBJECT: Approve Grants for Echo Community Benefit Plan

<p>Background: The Echo Community Benefit Plan committee is recommending funding of two grants for the second round of the community benefit plan for 2023. There are also three grant recipients requesting an extension to complete the grant project. The grants and extensions are before the Board for approval.</p>	<p>Requested Action: Approve grant and adopt Order No. BCC2023-049</p>
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ATTACHMENTS: Minutes; Proposed Order

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Checkoffs:

- () Dept. Head (copy)
- () Budget (copy)
- () Fiscal
- (X) Legal (copy)
- () (Other - List:)

To be notified of Meeting:
Robert Pahl

Needed at Meeting:

Scheduled for meeting on: December 20, 2023

Action taken:

ECHO COMMUNITY BENEFIT PLAN BOARD MINUTES
Dec. 11, 2023

Present: Diane, Jeanie, Delbert, Tammie, Merle, Janie

Tammie called the meeting to order, She and Delbert both thought, that by the looks of the information obtained, we have around \$40,000.00 in the coffers.

First Order of Business: Granting extension to expiring grants. Diane moved and Jeanie 2nd to approve the extension of the following grants until 12-31-2024, (Motion carried):

- City of Echo Walking Trail, Phase II - \$4,104.00 funds remaining that have yet to be expended.
- Echo Fire Department, Flatbed - \$7,500.00
- Echo Fire Department, Portable Monitor - \$7,500.00

(These are the only allocated balances that we know of at this time.)

****Echo Museum has cancelled their 2022 request for \$2,000.00 to fix the fire escape door, because they went a different route with their plans and no longer need the funding.***

Requests for Funding:

Echo F.D. - \$410.00 for insulation on the bay doors in order to help keep the pumps on the engine from freezing this winter.

Echo F.D. - \$1,549.00 for a drone to fly over large fires in order to determine parameters, etc.

After a short discussion, Jeanie moved, Diane 2nd to approve the two requests. Motion carried.

We briefly discussed the Nolan Hills Wind Turbin project that is slated to begin sometime in the future.

Janie moved to adjourn, Delbert 2nd . Motion carried.

The next meeting, provided there are any requests for funding, should take place approximately April 8, 2024.

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF UMATILLA COUNTY

STATE OF OREGON

In the Matter of Approval)
of Grants of 2023 Echo) Order No. BCC2023-049
Community Benefit Plan -)
Second Round)

WHEREAS on January 1, 2010, the Echo Community Benefit Plan was formed by the Board of Commissioners;

WHEREAS the purpose of the Echo Community Benefit Plan is to serve as a conduit entity to allocate and distribute certain funds made available for local community projects, services or other benefits within the geographic area defined by the boundaries of the Echo School District, and initially is funded from payments received for the Echo Windfarms Project pursuant to the Community Services Fee provisions of the Oregon Strategic Investment Program that began in 2009, and which will continue to 2024;

WHEREAS the Echo Community Benefit Plan Board reviews grant requests for the funds and makes a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners for review and approval;

WHEREAS the Echo Community Benefit Plan Board has made recommendation of \$1,959 for recipients of 2023 grants for the funds received from the Echo Windfarms Project with an approximate balance of \$40,000;

WHEREAS this is the second round for 2023 grants.

WHEREAS on January 6, 2021, the Echo City Walking Trail Committee was awarded a grant of \$25,000 for Phase 2 of the Echo Walking Trail project; the board has recommended that the deadline for the remaining balance of the grant, \$4,104, be extended to December 31, 2024;

WHEREAS on April 26, 2023, the Echo Fire Department was awarded a grant of \$7,500 for a flatbed and a grant of \$7,500 for a portable monitor; the board has recommended that the deadline for grants be extended to December 31, 2024;

NOW THEREFORE, the Board of Commissioners orders:

A. The following distribution of Echo Community Benefit Plan funds is approved:

Echo Fire Department - \$410
Bay door insulation

Echo Fire Department - \$1,549
Drone

The projects and improvements are to be completed by December 31, 2024. Each recipient shall execute acknowledgment for awarded funds. Funds will be distributed on reimbursement basis to recipients upon request and verification by recipient.

B. The deadline for the grant awarded pursuant to Order No. BCC2021-004 to the Echo City Walking Trail Committee for Phase 2 of the Echo Walking Trail project is extended to December 31, 2024, for the remaining funds of \$4,104.

C. The deadline for the grants awarded pursuant to Order No. BCC2023-019 to the Echo Fire Department for the flatbed and portable monitor are extended to December 31, 2024, for the remaining funds of \$15,000.

DATED this 20th day of December, 2023.

UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Daniel N. Dorran, Chair

John M. Shafer, Commissioner

Celinda A. Timmons, Commissioner

ATTEST:
OFFICE OF COUNTY RECORDS

Records Officer