

**MINUTES**  
**UMATILLA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Administrative Meeting of February 23, 2021  
10:00 a.m., Umatilla County Courthouse  
Pendleton, Oregon  
Video link or call in

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**Commissioners participating:** Chair George Murdock, Vice-Chair John Shafer, and Commissioner Dan Dorran

**County Counsel:** Doug Olsen

**Members and Guests:** Tom Fellows, Public Works Director; Mike Lees, Anderson-Perry Engineer

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Chair Murdock called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

**Business Item:**

1. **River Road Improvement and Contract.** The matter before the Board for consideration is the notice of intent to award the contract for making safety improvements to Umatilla River Road. Tom Fellows, Public Works Director, explained that the fund for this project came through the federal ARTS (All Roads Transportation Safety) program and was specific to improvements to Umatilla River Road. The application for the project was submitted by ODOT and \$900,000 was awarded, with a 10.27 % local match. Any excess funds must be returned to the program. Improvements will be made to the road from 11th Street to Bensel Road, with an additional turn lane added at the water treatment facility. Anderson-Perry put together the plans and did all of the work necessary for the project to meet the funding requirements.

Mike Lees from Anderson-Perry reviewed the six bids submitted for the road improvements. It was very tight, with the top four within \$4,000. The lowest bid was from Silver Creek Contracting in the amount of \$269,570, and the recommendation is to give notice to award the contract to that firm.

**Commissioner Dorran moved to approve notice of intent to award contract for road improvements to Silver Creek Contracting in the amount of \$269,570. Commissioner Shafer seconded. Carried, 3-0.**

The meeting adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Melinda Slatt*

Executive Secretary, Umatilla County Board of Commissioners