

**INFORMAL MINUTES**

**May 12, 2008**

3:00 p.m.

Oval Office

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary P. Stern, Leslie Lewis, and Kathy George.

Staff: John M. Gray, Jr., John Krawczyk, Laura Tschabold, Steve Mikami, Dan Linscheid, Ron Huber, and Ken Huffer.

Guests: Kris Bledsoe, 3500 SW Redmond Hill Rd; David Bates, News-Register; Jody Christensen, Kelly McDonald, David Wiegand, Paul Elias, Doug Montgomery, and Philip Hutchinson, McMinnville Economic Development Partnership.

\* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Mary called the meeting to order.

\* Personnel - Steve presented personnel requests from various departments. See agenda for details.

\* Contracts/Grants - See agenda for details.

\* Policy - Approve the Public Works Road Maintenance/Reconstruction Prioritization Policy.

Fees - John G stated that he would like some time to review the proposed fee increase for Riverbend and would discuss it with the Board the next week.

\* Vehicles - Authorize the purchase of a 2005 Ford Taurus 4-door sedan from Chuck Colvin Ford for Emergency Management, \$7995, and declare unit P-029 as surplus county property to be sold on eBay to the highest bidder.

Economic Development - Jody Christensen, McMinnville Economic Development Partnership, distributed copies of the Strategic Plan for the next two years. She discussed two projects that the partnership is currently working on and noted the closing of Skyline RV. She stated that the partnership has a county-wide focus on economic development and is looking to build from within the communities. Mary stated that this is probably one of the best uses of the county's economic development funds.

\* Fees - Approve an adjustment of deposit amounts in the Surveyor's Office as follows: \$200 for partitions and \$1500 for all subdivisions.

Road Vacations - John G stated that a proposed amendment to Ordinance 625 is still in the discussion phase and there may be other changes that could be made at the same time. He agreed to work out a draft amendment with Dan Linscheid after Dan and Linda Peterson come up with

the concepts for change.

Jail Remodel - Ron Huber stated that two firms turned in proposals for the Construction Manager/General Contractor process and after interviewing both firms, a panel put together by Sheriff Crabtree recommended Brockamp & Jaeger. Mary moved to direct staff to enter into negotiations with Brockamp & Jaeger to come up with a mutually acceptable contract to be presented to the Board. The motion passed, Mary, Leslie, and Kathy voting aye. Ron noted that he could be ready to start construction in June and the project should take six to eight months.

Rice Property - John K stated that the county-owned cabin has been used over the last several years as part of a duck-hunting operation, although the hunting itself takes place on private property owned by Mr. Upshaw. He discussed the possibility of engineering a lease with either Mr. Upshaw or Mr. Rice for the continued use of the cabin that would provide some rental income without conflicting with the park use proposed by Ken Huffer. John G stated that if the county agrees to lease the property, it should be compensated fairly.

Ken distributed handouts outlining the proposed use of the property, including a large multi-use park, day activities in the cabin area, multi-use trails, overnight camping, and possible river access. After discussion by the group, Mary suggested that Ken talk to Mike Brandt and Sherrie Mathison before presenting the proposal to the Parks Board.

\* Committees - see agenda for details.

AOC Form - The Board agreed to have John K and Bill Gille fill out a form to report 2008-09 public improvement projects.

Peer Court - John G stated that there are two actions to come before the Board to transfer the Peer Court program and funding from the McMinnville Police Department to the county. He said that those may be ready by Wednesday.

The meeting adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

Anne Britt  
Secretary