

INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES
July 16, 2012 2:00 p.m.

Commissioners' Office

PRESENT: Commissioners Leslie Lewis, Kathy George, and Mary P. Stern, with
Commissioner George being excused at 3:00 p.m.

STAFF: Laura Tschabold, County Administrator
Rick Sanai, County Counsel
Doug McGillivray and Susan Lamb, Emergency Management
John Phelan and Bill Anderson, Road Department

Guests: Nathalie Hardy, News Register
Members of the Grand Ronde and Siletz Tribal Councils, per attached sign-in list

* indicates item forwarded to formal session agenda

Commissioner Lewis called the meeting to order.

- * Personnel - Various personnel actions as requested by department heads. See agenda for specific items.
- * Contracts/Grants - See agenda for 14 specific contracts, etc., to be approved.
- * Planning Department - Refund for electrical permit.
- * Association of O & C Counties - Memorandum of Understanding regarding O & C representing Yamhill County.
- * Public Works - Declare inventory of surplus vehicles and equipment for sale on eBay.
- * Mass Gathering Permit - Race-the-Reaper board order, as tentatively approved July 12th.

Emergency Management Update - Doug introduced Sue Lamb, the new Emergency Management Assistant. Doug stated there is tentative approval for an integrated emergency management course and exercise relating to mitigation and recovery, scheduled for April 29 - May 3, 2013. He said the event will involve political leaders from the cities in the county and the budget allocation is \$22,692, which will limit some of the activities. He said the Office of Emergency Management has agreed to write the plan for the cities. Doug stated that initially he sent each city a letter of intent, followed by a copy of the grant request, and finally, the notification of the tentative approval; the contractor has met with mayors in each city. Doug stated there will also be a drop-cover-roll exercise on October 18th which will include evacuation of the courthouse campus buildings, including the courts.

Doug stated the Homeland Security Grant allocation is currently under review and it is anticipated that the funds will be assigned to the counties to distribute to each of their cities.

Sue outlined a 2012 preparedness fair, "Growing a Resilient Community", which will be held at Duniway Middle School in partnership with the McMinnville School District. She said multiple 30 minutes presentations are planned, some outdoor demonstrations, a keynote speaker has been scheduled, and there will be multiple vendors and contributors.

Public Works - John Phelan and Bill Anderson briefly discussed the "Blue Sign" policy regarding charging for manufacture and placement of business-related signs along the county's right-of-way. Following discussion, it was suggested that a final redraft be prepared to meet the commissioners' concerns, and then a public hearing scheduled.

Following a five minute recess, the session reconvened at 3:00 p.m.

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Confederated Tribes of Siletz
Discussion of proposed federal legislation

Leslie stated that the Board has supported and enjoyed its relationship with both Tribes in the past and regrets the current serious disagreement between the Tribes. Leslie stated the council members have been invited today to discuss federal legislation related to the boundaries of the Siletz reservation, which is expected to be considered in the near future in Washington, D.C.

Delores Pigsley, Siletz Tribal Council Chairperson, stated same and similar issues have previously been covered in a Senate hearing and historical boundaries of the Siletz Reservation clearly show the land belonged to the combined 29-39 small tribes which later became the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz.

There was considerable informal discussion and debate regarding the historical boundaries with participation from most of the tribal members present. A number of documents and maps were submitted for Board review and are available in the Commissioners' Office.

The commissioners thanked both Tribal Council members for visiting on short notice and for providing the historical information. No action was taken.

The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Carol Ann White
Secretary