

BOARD ORDERS AND MINUTES

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

SITTING FOR THE TRANSACTION OF COUNTY BUSINESS

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF YAMHILL COUNTY (“the Board”) sat for the transaction of county business in formal session on September 28, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 32 of the courthouse, Commissioners Mary Starrett, Stan Primozych, and Richard L. “Rick” Olson being present.

Also present were Laura Tschabold, County Administrator; Christian Boenisch, County Counsel; Mikalie Frei, County Counsel staff; Dave Adams, KLYC Radio; Nicole Montesano, News-Register.

Commissioner Primozych called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The invocation was offered by Dave Adams.

A. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** This thirty-minute time period is reserved for public comment on any topic other than a quasi-judicial land use matter or other topic scheduled for public hearing. Unless extended or restricted by the Chair or majority of the Board, public comment will be limited to three minutes per person.

David Wall expressed his concerns regarding the Health and Human Services Budget and the potential strike with the YCEA union employees.

Josh Rojas shared his concerns regarding the YCEA employees and what he feels is a lack of presence and care from the commissioners. He stated the employees would like to see the commissioners visit them in their work place and be available to listen to their concerns without having to go through county administration.

B. **CONSENT AGENDA:** Commissioner Starrett moved to approve the consent agenda, with the removal of item B5. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Primozych, Olson and Starrett voting aye.

Contracts

1. **B.O. 17-382** - Approve an agreement between Yamhill County Health and Human Services Public Health and the Oregon Health Authority, Public Health Division for \$201,252, effective July 1, 2017 through July 30, 2019.
2. **B.O. 17-383** - Approve an agreement between Yamhill County Health and Human Services and the State of Oregon Criminal Justice Commission for \$189,800, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

3. **B.O. 17-384** - Approve a modification to an agreement between Yamhill County and Summit Strategies Government Affairs, LLC for consulting services, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018.
4. **B.O. 17-385** - Approve Master Service Agreement #7539 between Yamhill County (Assessor's office) and the State of Oregon for oblique aerial imagery products and services.

Easement

5. Approve an easement between Yamhill County and McMinnville Water & Light for Tax Lot 4515-01600 for utility purposes at the Public Works facility. ***[Removed from the consent agenda; moved to Other Business item D3]***

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C. **OLD BUSINESS:** None.

D. **OTHER BUSINESS** (Add-ons and non-consent items):

1. **B.O. 17-386** - Consideration of approving an agreement between Yamhill County Adult Mental Health Division and the Oregon Health Authority, Health Systems Division for \$344,172.42, effective October 1, 2017 through June 30, 2019.

Commissioner Primozich moved to approve item D1. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Primozich, Olson, and Starrett voting aye.

2. **B.O. 17-387** - Consideration of approving Amendment #2 to agreement #29585 for the Transportation Enhancement (TE) "Yamhelas Westsider Trail Phase 1" grant project between Yamhill County and the Department of Transportation (B.O. 13-739) effective upon execution.

Commissioner Olson moved to approve item D2. The motion passed, Commissioner Olson and Primozich voting aye and Commissioner Starrett voting nay.

1. **B.O. 17-388** – Consideration of approving an easement between Yamhill County and McMinnville Water & Light for Tax Lot 4515-01600 for utility purposes at the Public Works facility, subject to review and approval by County Counsel. (removed to other business)

Mr. Boenisch stated his office is seeking clarification in the legal description for the map. He said the easement runs along the edge of the Public Works property line where the county will begin construction on the new cell tower. Mr. Boenisch said if there are any major changes he will report back to the Board.

Commissioner Starrett moved to approve item D3. The motion passed unanimously, Commissioners Primozich, Olson, and Starrett voting aye.

E. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.

Commissioner Primozich stated he does not believe there is anyone who appreciates the county employees more than he does. He said he receives comments from the public on a continuous basis regarding how great it is to work with Yamhill County employees and if it has been perceived that he has been remiss in expressing his gratitude to the employees he apologizes.

Commissioner Starrett stated she wanted to address the comment Mr. Rojas made that the commissioners were not involved, and that they are indeed exceptionally involved. She said each commissioner is involved in the development, feedback, and support of county programs. Commissioner Starrett said they may not be in each county office daily but they are connected with what the employees do on a daily basis. She confirmed Commissioner Primozich's statement regarding the public accolades the commissioners receive, noting she is told repeatedly that Yamhill County gives customer service like no other county does. Commissioner Starrett said each email, written feedback, and verbal comment that they receive is forwarded to the employee's department head with the commissioner's appreciation. She said the Board's public record of minutes and audio recordings will show how much they do comment on their appreciation for Yamhill County staff.

Commissioner Olson said he appreciates everything Yamhill County staff does. He stated while he is apprehensive to comment he feels that what someone perceives is their reality. Commissioner Olson stated he agrees with Commissioner Starrett's comment regarding how involved the commissioners are in the day to day operations of the county, but he said if the employees perceive they are not involved or lack care then he feels it is their responsibility to find out why that perception exists.

F. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. For information on county advisory committee vacancies, please refer to the county's website, [www.co.yamhill.or.us/content/volunteer-opportunities](http://www.co.yamhill.or.us/content/volunteer-opportunities) , or call the Board of Commissioners' office at 503-434-7501 or 503-554-7801 (toll-free from Newberg).

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There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Crystal Cox  
Secretary

YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Chair Stan Primozich

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Commissioner Mary Starrett

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Commissioner Richard L. "Rick" Olson