

INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES

January 17, 2017

2:00 p.m.

Commissioners’ Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary Starrett, Stan Primozich, and Richard L. “Rick” Olson.

Staff: Laura Tschabold, Ken Huffer, Christian Boenisch, Mikalie Frei, Ken Friday, and Jayne Mercer.

Guests: Dave Adams, KLYC and Nicole Montesano, News-Register.

* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Commissioner Primozich called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

* Contracts - see agenda for details.

* Financial - see agenda for details.

Commissioner Primozich presented a services agreement between Yamhill County and Hahn and Associates, Inc., for the Phase 1 Environmental Site Assessment. Commissioners discussed the environmental impact on farmers, the burden on property owners, and the pros and cons of completing an impact study. Commissioner Starrett submitted an article regarding the new requirement in the revised rule known as the “Application Exclusion Zone”. The consensus of the board was to move this item to the non-consent agenda for further discussion.

Docket FP-07-16 (KF): An appeal by Protect Grand Island Farms of the Planning Commission’s approval of a request by Baker Rock Resources flood plain development permit to allow mining on approximately 175 acres of property withing the Flood Hazard Overlay District.

Ken Friday provided the staff report and stated that the Commissioners are welcome to a site visit. Mr. Friday explained to the Commissioners that the type of hearing both parties agreed upon, is to conduct a de novo hearing.

The Commissioners reviewed the analysis of the Economic Development Fund for the 2016-17 fiscal year. The Commissioners discussed the uncertainty of the video lottery revenue receipts which could see up to a 25% reduction. Consensus of the board was to wait until the second quarter of the calendar year to determine if more information is known about video lottery receipts before entertaining any Strategic Investment grants.

Following commissioner updates, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

Crystal Cox
Secretary