The Lake County Board of Commissioners met in Work Session on Tuesday, July 19, 2011 at 9:02 a.m. The following members were present: Vice Chair Bradley J. Winters and Commissioner Ken Kestner. Chairman Dan Shoun was absent from these proceedings. Also present: Administrative Assistant Denise Thorsted.

Additions: None
Deletions: None

9:00 a.m. – Klamath County Republican Central Committee, Tom Mallams
Reforming of the Endangered Species Act (ESA)

Mr. Mallams began by showing a video of Congressman Walden expressing his support for this reform.

Mr. Mallams discussed steps being taken to reform the ESA and issues that had come from the present ESA as it was written such as job loss and budgeting issues. He added that this issue was being viewed by both republicans and democrats and was across party lines. A joint Resolution had been approved and signed written by both parties in Klamath County and Jackson County. Discussion followed.

Impacts to agriculture and timber industries were discussed. The fall out of these impacts were discussed including the effects to the costs of items such as fuel, energy, food, hard steel, housing foreclosures and the closure of businesses.

The goal of this reform was not to have the ESA disposed of but to have it reformed to give some balance both users and to nature. This would include the need for there to be proof of a species ability to recover and for that the species to be delisted in the future (instead of remaining on the list indefinitely). Discussion followed.

Mr. Mallams confirmed that if this Board were to approve a Resolution on this matter, it was to be forwarded to the Klamath County Republican Central Committee. It would then be sent, along with the additional Resolutions received, to Congressman Walden. This reform was being headed up by Congressman McClintock (California) and Congressman Hastings (Washington). Discussion continued.

Mr. Mallams also discussed a handout provided regarding the issues with the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement.
9:30 a.m. – Public Health Update, Director Mary Wilkie

Mrs. Wilkie stated that the Public Health Department had just completed the State of Oregon’s triennial review and discussed the “civil rights” compliance issues involving access to the building that had been found. The following items needed to be corrected: brail notifications by the restrooms and handicap parking signage.

Mrs. Wilkie presented a copy of a letter to be sent to the landlords for Public Health requesting that a handicap parking space be provided in the parking lot of the building (there was fear of clients having to enter the street if this space was in front of the building). Signage for the restrooms had been already purchased. Discussion followed.

Decision on the Civil Rights Compliance was scheduled for July 20, 2011.

Mrs. Wilkie confirmed that Public Health must update and present an Emergency Response Plan to the Board every three years (last update was 2008). This plan update included: phone numbers and contact information, additional policies and changes in the pandemic flu (considering the school closures rather than mandating). Discussion followed.

Decision on the Emergency Response Plan was scheduled for July 20, 2011.

Break: 9:54 a.m.
Resume: 10:06 a.m.

10:00 a.m. – Oregon Military Department Update/Back Scatter Site, Stan Hutchison

Mr. Hutchison provided a brief overview of the “Net Zero” program (due to the fact it could have an impact on this project). This program was a pilot program designed by the Department of Army in which all installations were asked to demonstrate a strategy to achieve Net Zero by the year 2020. This program was divided into four categories: Energy, Water, Waste, and Net Zero. Discussion followed on this program.

Commissioner Winters asked if any power purchase agreements had been signed to date for the power to be generated from the incoming solar project on the Christmas Valley Back Scatter Site. Mr. Hutchison confirmed that there was no power purchase agreement at this time.

Land Acquisitions for this project were discussed. Mr. Hutchison confirmed that 326 acres had been acquired to date (illustration provided), the remaining 2,296 acres were secured through a no-cost lease through General Services Administration (GSA) through 2014. This lease allowed for development up to 20 megawatts (mw). Negotiations were being made for the purchase of the remaining property. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Kestner confirmed that the 326 acres had been secured for the installation of solar roof panels on buildings already standing on the site and that the remaining 2,296 acres would have solar panels as well. Mr. Hutchison provided information on the initial solar ray project and those locations. Discussion continued.

Regarding Phase I, Mr. Hutchison gave a brief solar project update to the Board including information regarding the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act grant, the contractor selection (now complete), and the projected completion date for this project scheduled for October 2011. Notice to proceed was expected at any time.
The contractor for the project was confirmed to be RCS Construction. The Request for Proposal process had requested that the contract guarantee for local labor to be hired during the construction phase. RCS had provided assurances that they would.

Regarding Phase II, Mr. Hutchison discussed grants that were being leverage for this project. He also addressed the Interconnection Agreements with BPA/Midstate Electric and the archeological survey related to the National Environmental Protection Act (NEPA).

Mr. Hutchison confirmed for Commissioner Winters that the BLM had completed a portion of the NEPA process. Discussion followed on the NEPA process.

Mr. Hutchison confirmed that there had been "unsolicited private development proposals" (3) received as well. One of the private developers was actively looking for buyers for electricity at this time. These proposals were being discussed with the Department of Justice to verify the possibility of accepting them or if they needed to go through a competitive bidding process.

Partners involved in this project were stated as being Oregon Department of Energy (ODoE) and Oregon Institute of Technology (OIT). Commissioner Winters added that although this Board was in full support of contractors and local laborers, there was a potential for using prison work crews during the construction phase of this project. Discussion followed.

In regards to Phase III, as infrastructure allows, this project would increase to a 100 mw project. During this discussion, Mr. Hutchison explained that through the grants process with the efforts of OIT and Treasure Valley Community College (TVCC), a Veterans Solar Technology Training for those veterans looking at completing a job reeducation program was discovered. Discussion followed.

Other topics discussed included drinking water at the back scatter site, the potential of geothermal exploration on the site and the likelihood of infantry training. In regards to the infantry training, this was described as being undesirable at this time due to the location of the site although it had not been completely ruled out.

Commissioner Winters expressed his appreciation to Mr. Hutchison for his recent service in Iraq. Commissioner Kestner added his gratitude to Mr. Hutchison as well. Mr. Hutchison had worked as a Civil Affairs Officer establishing "essential services" (water, garbage and sewer), education and prisons during that time of service.

Break: 10:50 a.m.
Resume: 10:55 a.m.

Other Business:
Mental Health Request for Proposal Discussion

Commissioner Winters confirmed that at a prior meeting this Board had approved moving forward with a second Request for Proposal (RFP) regarding the management of Lake County Mental Health. Commissioner Winters expressed that he would like to postpone doing so until a later date.
Commissioner Kestner confirmed that he had asked the Advisory Committee to review
the prior RFP and submit any changes by July 20, 2011. This would allow for the RFP to be
ready once this Board decided to move forward. Discussion followed.

2011/2013 Oregon Commission on Children Families (CC&F) IGA Director Ronne Lindsay

Mrs. Lindsay confirmed that this was a biennial agreement and that the only changes
from the prior agreement were the dates to reflect 2011/2013.

Discussion followed on the changes expected to take place within the CC&F program
and the possible dissolution of this program. Mrs. Lindsay confirmed that if the program were to
dissolve, this agreement would dissolve as well.

Mrs. Lindsay updated the Board on Request for Proposals for CC&F. The proposals had
been completed and Mrs. Lindsay was awaiting clarification from the State Office on two of the
potential providers and their assessments for use of Juvenile Crime Prevention funds. Mrs.
Lindsay was hoping to have recommendations from the CC&F Board by the end of the week.

Nuisance Complaint(s), Property and Lands Manager Bob Pardee

Mr. Pardee discussed the following nuisance complaints:

**1138 South E Street** – complaint was regarding an assortment of retired destruction
derby cars was found to be valid (as it was an attraction to children).

**1030 South K Street** – complaint was in regards to weeds, overgrown trees, a partially
collapsed building and a mobile home “parked” (never setup) on the property was found to be
valid.

**974 South K Street** – complaint regarding weeds and an unsecured house that had a
stray dog living in it was found to be valid.

South K Street (no street address) – complaint regarding weeds and a log home with
structural deficiencies was found to be valid.

Recommendation for all of the above was to forward an Abatement Letter stating the
issue and asking for a response from the property owner on what steps were to be taken to repair
the situation.

South L Street (no street address) – complaint was in regards to weeds on the property.
Since the property owner had received of the initial letter, significant efforts to correct the issues
had been noted. The recommendation was to continue monitoring the situation and to forward a
letter of appreciation to the property owner.

Mr. Pardee agreed to have the letters presented to include Commissioner Winters
signature (as Chairman Shoun was absent).

By consensus of the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the recommended letters
were to be forwarded to the necessary property owners.
Department Updates:
Administrative Assistant Denise Thorsted confirmed that the new Lake County website had officially been launched July 15, 2011. There had been positive feedback received. Discussion followed.

Liaison Updates:
Commissioner Winters discussed the lost position of Community Service Supervisor due to State of Oregon budget cuts and loss of Title III funding. Commissioner Winters had met with Community Corrections Director Kiki Parker-Rose and Juvenile Director Eric Shpilman and determined to continue to work without filling this position at this time.

The Juvenile Department would handle the juvenile community service. Adult probation was to transition into hiring a half-time clerical position to coordinate the community service for those on adult probation.

Mr. Shpilman clarified that the clerical position would not be supervising crews but would work with those requesting crews. There would no longer be funding for supervised work crews, firewood deliveries or snow removal.

Commissioner Winters pointed out that Warner Creek Correctional Facility was on the agenda for the July 20, 2011 Regular Session Meeting to discuss “host crews” and felt this could potentially be an offset for those lost serves. Discussion followed on firewood deliveries and snow removal across the county.

There being nothing further to come before the Lake County Board of Commissioners, the meeting adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Thorsted
Administrative Assistant

{Absent}
Dan Shoun
Chairman

Bradley J. Winters
Vice Chairman

Ken Kestner
Commissioner