BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

County of Lake
State of Oregon

WORK SESSION

The Lake County Board of Commissioners met in Work Session Tuesday, July 14, 2020. The following members were present: Chairperson Bradley J. Winters and Vice Chair James Williams. Also present: Community Justice Director Jake Geer, Facilities and Properties Manager David Berman, Road Superintendent Kevin Hock (via phone), Planning Director Darwin Johnson, Commissioner’s Administrative Assistant Melanie Boozenny, and Member of the Press Danielle Jester. Number of Public Present: 2.

9:00 a.m. – The Work Session was called to order by Chairman Winters and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Additions: MOU between Klamath County Juvenile and Lake County
MOU between Klamath County Sheriff and Lake County
Petition for Order Designating Newspaper

Deletions: None

TIMED ITEMS:

9:00 a.m. – Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week Proclamation

Chair Winters read into record that the Lake County Board of Commissioners, do hereby proclaim July 19th – 25th, 2020 as Pretrial, Probation and Parole Supervision Week.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Kevin Hock, Grader Rebuilds for Road Department

Road Superintendent Kevin Hock presented a proposal to rebuild two graders. Peterson CAT provided two estimates ranging from $67,381.28 to $106,159.50 per machine depending on the potential parts and repairs needed. Mr. Hock hopes that the rebuilds will not be much more than $67,000, but they may need more repairs than anticipated.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.
David Berman, Airport Engineering Agreement with Century West Engineering

Facilities and Properties Manager David Berman presented an agreement with Century West Engineering for work at the airport. The Commissioners recently accepted the RFP from them for consultation on planning, development, design and construction for the next five years.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.

Jake Greer, MOU between Klamath County Juvenile and Lake County

Community Justice Director Jake Greer would like to renew an agreement with the Klamath County Juvenile Department to rent 55 bed days per quarter for youth that need to be detained. This ensures that Lake County will have a place to house detained youth if needed. Mr. Greer said they always use the minimum days. Total cost for the year would be $24,000.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.

Jake Greer, MOU between Klamath County Sheriff and Lake County

Mr. Greer would also like to continue to rent 730 bed days per year from the Klamath County Sheriff Department. This equates to two bed days for the entire fiscal year, and it is possible to send up to three adults in custody at a time if needed. Total fiscal impact if approved would be $61,000.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.

TIMED ITEMS:

9:30 a.m. – Archway Solar Energy Facility and the Oregon Energy Facility Siting Council Review Process

Energy Facility Siting Division Senior Policy Advisor Maxwell Woods and Archway Solar Project Manager Laura Minor attended the meeting virtually to explain the Energy Facility Siting Council (EFSC) process to the Board of Commissioners. EFSC reviews large scale renewable energy plans. The local governing board serves as a Special Advisory Group (SAG) and provides recommendations based on local regulations; including a list of applicable substantive criteria, local interpretations, and comments regarding compliance.

Archway Solar will approximate 3,650 acres once completed and produce 400 megawatts of photovoltaic energy. The site will be located in northern Lake County, east of Christmas Valley if approved.

The group also discussed possible taxation agreements for the project. Archway is interested in a Strategic Investment Plan (SIP) similar to the Obsidian Solar SIP Agreement that is also going through the EFSC approval process.

10:22 a.m. – Recess Open Session

10:30 a.m. – Resume Open Session

OTHER BUSINESS:
Planning Department Update
Planning Director Darwin Johnson provided an update on a Road Naming Application in the Fort Rock area. He said the road is an old Pen Philips road off of Crack in the Ground and now has close to 10 addresses on it. He will set up a naming committee and accept public input on the process.

Brad Winters, Drought Declaration
Chair Winters had Administrative Assistant Melanie Boozenny write a Resolution for Drought Declaration. The July 8, 2020 Secretarial Drought Designation placed Lake County in a state of drought. Also, the Oregon Water Supply Outlook Report shows below normal conditions in the June 15th Report. Declaring a state of Drought will enable water users to file for economic relief if needed once the Governor accepts the Resolution.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.

James Williams, ODF Customer Survey
Vice Chair Williams wanted to discuss the Oregon Department of Forestry Customer Survey that was recently sent to the County. Both Commissioners had similar positive feedback, and Commissioner Williams will submit the survey.

Petition for Order Designating Newspaper
The Assessor’s Office needs to formally designate a newspaper for the publication of the 2020 Foreclosure List.

Action/Consideration will take place in Regular Session.

Continuing COVID-19 Declaration of Emergency Discussion
The Board decided the declaration was still needed.

LIAISON UPDATES:

Commissioner Williams
Commissioner Williams has been working with the Road Department on Ordinance 23 – Waste Water to keep irrigation water from harming the road while chip sealing and general erosion problems. He would like to see more enforcement of the Ordinance.

He attended the Silver Lake EMS meeting, and is pleased that Christmas Valley EMS and Silver Lake EMS have put together an agreement to share tourism tax funds.

Commissioner Winters
Commissioner Winters said that he has a Fair Board meeting on the 20th, and they will make a final decision on the upcoming Fair.
11:10 a.m. - With there being no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Melanie Boozenny
Commissioner’s Assistant

Board Approval,

Bradley J. Winters  James Williams  Mark Albertson
Chairman  Vice Chairman  Commissioner