3/17/2020 - Minutes

1. **Call To Order & Those Present**
   Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Dale Geigle, Ron Matchett / Multimedia; Chris Kaber / Sheriff; Todd Pfeiffer / Weed Control; Jeremy Morris / Public Works; Jennifer Little / Public Health; Rick Vaughn, Terry Wells / Tax Collector/Property Sales;

2. **Public Comment**
   None.

3. **Agenda Deletions/Additions**
   None.

4. **Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**

   1. **In The Matter Of Approving The "Minutes" From The March 10, 2020 Business Meeting. - BOCC**
      Approved.

5. **Prior Approved Items**

   1. **In The Matter Of An Order For The Findings Of Livestock Case: Maria Rafaela Aquirre Gonzalez. - BOCC**
      Commissioner Morris reads information for the record.

6. **Public Hearings**

   1. **8:45 A.M. In The Matter Of Holding A Public Hearing Pursuant To ORS 312.122. Tax Collector/Rick Vaughn**
      Commissioner Morris opens the hearing at 8:50am. Rick Vaughn addresses the Board. Commissioner Morris motions to hold the hearing. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.
      Commissioner Morris asks for testimony in support of, neutral, and against. None.

   None.
7. Bids/Awards/Proposals

1. In The Matter Of Accepting The Proposal From Klamath Lake Regional Housing Center For Grant Administration Services For The CDBG Grant – Housing Rehabilitation Project. - BOCC

8. Orders

1. 8:45 A.M. In The Matter Of Authorizing Accelerated Tax Foreclosure On The Below Properties Pursuant To ORS 312.122. -Tax Collector/Rick Vaughn

2. In The Matter Of Reappointing Heide McGrath To The Bonanza Langell Valley Vector Control District Board. - BOCC
   Commissioner Boyd reads information and motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved. OR2020-084

3. In The Matter Of Appointing Jesse Hickey And Reappointing David Hill To The Predatory Animal Control District Board. - BOCC
   Commissioner DeGroot reads information and motions. Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved. OR2020-085

4. In The Matter Of Reappointing Patricia Rickett To The Keno Pines Special Road District Board. - BOCC
   Commissioner Boyd reads information and motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved. OR2020-086

9. Agreements

1. In The Matter Of An Agreement Between Klamath County And Weyerhaeuser NR Company For Noxious Weed Control. Todd Pfeiffer, Weed Control
2. In The Matter Of Execution Of Agreement #33085 Between The State Of Oregon Acting By And Through Its Department Of Transportation (ODOT) And Klamath County (County) For Access To County Property To Complete State’s Hwy 39: Crest Street – Madison Street Project. Jeremy Morris, Public Works


3. In The Matter Of Requesting Board Approval Of The Merchant Credit Bureau Membership Application And Service Contract And Provide Permission To The Sheriff To Sign The Binding Agreement.-Chris Kaber, Sheriff


Sheriff Kaber addresses the Board. Commissioner Boyd reads information and motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Commissioner Boyd asks the Sheriff to explain the limited access for counter staff at Animal Control and the Sheriff's Office. Sheriff Kaber said, we are not baring anyone from coming in, we are offering three other opportunities for people to purchase dog licenses, online, by phone or use the dropbox outside the office otherwise it is business as usual at Animal Control. At the Sheriff's Office we are asking people to delay purchase of CHLs, we are extending a one month grace period to those CHLs that expire this month. Unanimous vote. Approved.


7. In The Matter Of An Agreement With Klamath Lake Regional Housing Center For Program And Grant Administration Services Regarding The CDBG Grant – Housing Rehabilitation Project. - B OCC

Commissioner Morris reads information and motions. Commissioner

10. Grants

1. In The Matter Of Approving Klamath County Public Health (KCPH) To Submit A Request For Funding To Oregon Health Authority (OHA). – Jennifer Little, Public Health


Commissioner DeGroot thanked Ms. Little and her team at Public Health for working so hard over the last few weeks to keep our community safe.

11. Other County Business

None.

12. Commissioner Reports

Commissioner Boyd - He thanked the Health Department for keeping everyone updated with Coronavirus information. He hopes everyone remembers to take care of themselves, practice social distancing and enjoy St. Patrick's Day with their family at home.

Commissioner DeGroot - He had a meeting last week to discuss the Winema Forest harvest contracts and how to maintain the roads in the Fremont Winema Forest. He said, this is an issue that he advocated for when he was in Washington DC a couple weeks ago. Maintaining the roads is critical. It is concerning there has not been more of an emphasis put on maintaining those roads. It is important that if we decide to work with the Forest Service that it doesn’t burden our resources our our budgets. The Extension Service new office building plan is still ongoing, he met with the engineering team last week to discuss next steps. He met with the Fair Board for a work session on future plans. As, folks know the Fairgrounds have had to cancel most all upcoming events. He said the Coronavirus is serious and we need to take it seriously. There are nuances that are not being addressed to everyone's satisfaction and those are things we are going to learn from and address over time. He asked everyone to be kind and considerate to their neighbors and think of each other. He hopes everyone enjoys St. Patrick’s Day with their family and friends. We will get through this together. Klamath has always been a generous and caring community.

Commissioner Morris - She has focused most on the Coronavirus and the response recently. She encouraged people to use the County, Public Health, Oregon Health Authority and CDC websites for information. We prepare for things like this all time and this is our opportunity as a county and community to execute those plans. She has been very pleased with our response. She asked people to consider all the things that the County does. For example, the Board manages and runs along with a director, a Juvenile department so we have to decide should the juveniles have visitors, as mentioned earlier we oversee an Animal Control Office, are people able to come in and pay their bill, and we manage 400 employees. We set policy that effects the whole community such as do we need to declare an emergency. She asked everyone to be thoughtful that there are alot of moving pieces. She hopes people have confidence and faith that we have great people
working on this at all levels. We've got this. We need to all work together. We are all in this together. She said, we are sitting father apart than normal and she brought her own sanitizer today. There is no such thing as a little thing, do it all even it it's minor. Let all focus on how do we help each other and be kind to each other.

13. **Adjournment**

9:15am

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