5/6/2020 - Minutes

1. **To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To**
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2. **Call To Order & Those Present**
   Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Boyd, Sandy Cox/Admin
   Staff, Marcus Henderson/County Counsel, Marc Kane/Senior Center, Todd
   Kepple/Museum

3. **Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**
   Commissioner Morris approves minutes from 5/4/20 Work Session Meeting.

4. **Jim Chaddersdon / Discover Klamath**

5. **Marc Kane - Senior Center Update**
   Marc Kane addresses the Board shares that the Center received a 65k grant from
   Cascade Health Alliance and Cascade Comprehensive Care, they have a number of
   contributors that help out the center as they value the service they provide. Requests
   funding from County for COVID Relief and General Operating, is very concerned about
   donor funding for next year given the market situation. Gives update on the center’s
   revenue loss roughly 30k a month, has cut personnel costs by 20%, yet still providing same
   level of services, even more with the Meals on Wheels program and offering curbside meal
   services. Needs to raise 100k for COVID relief, already raised 50k hopes the County will
   consider donating. Capital Campaign fund is asking for 24.5k, and Operating fund 9k.
   Commissioner Morris suggests bringing this request to the next Finance meeting.
   Commissioner Boyd indicates that REACH received 1/2 million dollars from Federal
   COVID grant, has Senior Center applied for any Federal funding? Kane responds yes,
   they received 10k. Commissioner DeGroot questions timeline on the roof replacement?
   Kane responds should be late summer early fall. Commissioner DeGroot asks with County
   funding help they still need about 25%, where do they plan to get that money? Kane
   responds, they have donors lined up and hopefully they come through. Commissioner
   Boyd reminds Kane that the lease agreement indicates the Senior Center is to pay for
   maintenance and the Center should have been saving for times such as this. Matter tabled
   to the Finance meeting scheduled for May 26, 2020.

6. **BOCC**

   1. **Favell Museum Acquisition**
Commissioner Morris presents memo she authored and 2 additional memo's from Todd Kepple. Todd speaks that the Museum Advisory Board and Favell folks are calling on him daily basis to see where this is going. Advisory Board voted 6 to 0 not to acquire the Favell. Commissioner Boyd is confused because part of the Favell is Native American history. Kepple responds, the mission of the Klamath County Museum is to promote Klamath history, the Favell promotes a much wider area. Kepple offers a guided tour to point out the significant differences. Kepple additionally brings up the financial shortage issue, would undermine the mission with the voters. Commissioner Boyd understands there is a financial concern. Commissioner Morris further elaborates that the Advisory Board is concerned with "Fit" and "Finances". Commissioner DeGroot appreciates that Mr. Kepple is having this conversation and relaying it to the BOCC, there are a lot of unanswered questions such as the value of the art work and how much to insure, right now he isn't informed enough to even vote. Commissioner Boyd explains that the building definitely needs a new roof, likes the idea of getting a tour to find out the differences. Commissioner Morris suggests each Commissioner set up tour and get answers to questions, table this matter to 5/27 Work Session and invite a rep from Favell to answer some more questions. Kepple is also investigating how much of the Favell collection would be subject to a claim by the Federal Government or Tribes. Kepple also proposes gaging traffic at the Fort Klamath Museum due to Crater Lake Closure and adjust staff and hours accordingly, Board agrees.

2. **Temp For Planning**
   Commissioner DeGroot addresses the Board regarding the Planning Department falling behind and needing some help, understands there is no budget to hire another person, but would like to look at a temp employee for a month or two. Commissioner Boyd brings up that a couple weeks ago Commissioner DeGroot brought up doing a hiring freeze? Commissioner DeGroot states that the BOCC never voted on it. Commissioner Boyd indicates this Board has been wanting to make sure that things are being moved through the CDD Dept. and would be in favor of looking at the budget to hire a temp. Board consensus is for Commissioner DeGroot to work with CDD Manager Stephanie Brown to see if they can get a temp hired.

3. **Rye Development Discussion**
   Marcus Henderson addresses the Board to clarify if the BOCC wants to proceed to Executive Session or straight to Public Hearing? Commissioner Boyd understood that the plan was to be negotiated in Executive Session and since that hasn't happened, thought we needed to do that. Henderson clarifies statute regarding procedure and procedure has been followed. Board is agreeable to proceed with Public Hearing at the Fairgrounds, to accommodate a crowd, in June.

7. **Other County Business**
   Commissioner Morris on behalf of Public Health wants to know if BOCC is in favor of Public Health reminding restaurants that the State order has not been lifted and they
should not fully open up. Commissioners Boyd and DeGroot both feel that the County needs to stay out of it and let the State enforce their own order. Counsel will relay the information to Public Health.

Commissioner Boyd wanted to let the BOCC know the City of Merrill is voting on Wednesday to open everything in Merrill up completely.

8. Adjournment
10:45am

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