6/3/2020 - Minutes

1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To www.klamathcounty.org

2. Call To Order & Those Present
   Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Boyd, Sandy Cox/Admin Staff, Marcus Henderson/County Counsel, Amanda Graham/Animal Control,

3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting
   Commissioner Morris approves minutes from last Work Session

4. SCOFMP Fire Season Update
   South Central Oregon Fire Management Partnership: William/Fremont Winema National Forest, Jeff Coons/Fish and Wildlife Service, Ed Walgren/Crater Lake, Mike Limb/BLM, Barry Shullanberger/Fremont Winema National Forest, Randall Bailey/Oregon Department of Forestry address the Board giving update regarding changes to the upcoming fire season with the COVID-19 restrictions. Advises BOCC that our area was recently awarded additional helicopter and air tanker, will be a great addition. Each entity discuss funding, staffing and equipment levels for the upcoming season. Further discussion regarding prescribed burns and prediction for upcoming fire season. Commissioners commends the partnership, really appreciate the coordination, doing great job.

5. BOCC

1. Livestock Case: Dragoon, Valadez Vs. Dodson, Davis
   Commissioner Morris opens hearing, questions any conflicts or ex-parte contact, none. Marcus Henderson reviews statute related to this hearing, advises BOCC what they are considering. Amanda Graham gives staff report regarding incident, provides reports/photos from Marshall Bicknell and Deputy Brown. Indicates she has spoken to both dog owners and the owners are in agreement with euthanizing both dogs, they have surrendered both dogs to Animal Control. Both victims are requesting double restitution for each animal killed. Commissioner Boyd questions Deputy Browns report referring to the goats rather than lambs/sheep, is that an issue? Henderson believes it is a scriveners error and not an issue. Commissioner Boyd questions only being able to auction one FFA lamb per kid and the other would have to go for sale at market price, he doesn't think all 4 lambs should be valued at auction price, thinks two of these lambs could be auctioned at 700 and the other two could only be valued at market value at approx 200.
Commissioner Boyd also questions if the owner was agreeable to euthanization then why were the dogs not already put down, and why did we not get written statements from the owners? Graham understands that they have to wait for an order from the BOCC before putting the dogs down. Henderson believes that Animal Control must have an order from BOCC before they can euthanize the dogs. Commissioner Boyd questions the second victim's claim of 450.00 for hens? Graham responds that 25.00 has been the figure tagged to value of hens as long as she has worked here. Commissioner Morris questions if the dogs were licensed. Graham responds no. Henderson reviews statute and what the County shall impose for penalty, requirements regarding the animals and restitution to the victims. Graham responds that Boarding is 15.00 per dog per day (90.00). Commissioner Morris asks about penalty regarding the dogs not being licensed? Commissioner DeGroot indicates that each dog owner should be assessed $500 penalty and 90 boarding, Board is agreeable. Commissioner DeGroot suggests a total for victim Gutierrez Valadez $450, which is 25.00 per hen x 9 (double), Board is agreeable. Discussion about each kid having 2 lambs, only one can be taken to auction then the other lamb would be sold at market price. Commissioner Morris suggests $700 for 2 lambs and $200 for the other 2 lambs. Discussion that Dragoons damages would be 3600 (1800 for the 4 lambs x 2). Commissioner DeGroot motions to impose penalties in the amount of $590 per dog owner, Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote, approved. Commissioner DeGroot motions to award restitution to Gutierrez Valadez in the amount of $450, Commissioner Morris seconds. Commissioner Boyd questions enough proof that these particular dogs killed the Gutierrez Valadez chickens as the report does not have an identifying information regarding the dogs. Graham responds that the neighbor did describe both dogs and she believes they were the culprits. Unanimous vote approved Commissioner DeGroot motions to award restitution to victim Dragoon in the amount of #3,650, Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote, approved. Commissioner DeGroot motions to euthanize the dogs, Commissioner Morris seconds. Unanimous vote, approved

2. Termination Of Lease Letter To International Express LLC
Commissioner Boyd explains that there is no longer a need for the trailer, the County needs to sign termination letter. Commissioner DeGroot motions to sign letter as presented, Commissioner Boyd seconds. Unanimous vote, approved

6. Other County Business
None

7. Adjournment
10:10 am
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