



Board of Commissioners' Administrative Meeting
March 2, 2021 ~ 1:00pm ~ Room 214

3/2/2021 - Minutes

1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To [Www.klamathcounty.org](http://www.klamathcounty.org)

2. Call To Order & Those Present

Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Amanda Van Riper / Human Resources; Chris Kaber, Randy Swan, Brian Bryson / Sheriff; Vickie Noel / Finance; Erik Nobel / Planning.

3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting

Approved.

4. Amanda Van Riper - Human Resources

1. Department Request – Sheriff's Office Time Donation

Amanda Van Riper addresses the Board. Commissioner Morris motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

2. Exception To Policy – Sheriff's Office Hire

Amanda Van Riper addresses the Board. Commissioner Boyd motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

3. Exception To Policy – Sheriff's Reclass (Corrections Cooks)

Amanda Van Riper and Sheriff Kaber address the Board. Commissioner DeGroot said, I'd like to hold on to this as there are a lot of moving parts and I'd like to see how those parts develop. Commissioner Boyd said, I feel the same way. Commissioner Morris said, I completely understand where the other Board members are but because these are low wage compared to others on the County system, I could be talked into this. I do want to see our lower wage employees get a boost. Commissioner Boyd said, I don't have any idea what cooks are making that are working outside of the jail. Commissioner Morris asks, am I hearing that the Board members do not feel comfortable with this as is and would like to address it in a future budget meeting? Commissioner DeGroot said, yeah I'm not comfortable with this now, with other things that are going on. Commissioner Boyd agreed.

4. Exception To Policy – Sheriff's Reclass (Maintenance)

Amanda Van Riper addresses the Board. Commissioner Boyd motions. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Commissioner Boyd said, the reason I feel ok about this one is that outside the County people with similar positions are being offered a similar amount starting at what he is making today and so I would hate to lose Kevin. I called four different people and asked what they are starting their mechanics at. Unanimous vote. Approved

5. BOCC

1. Strategic Budget Follow Up Brainstorming

Vickie Noel addresses the Board. Commissioner Morris said, Vickie had thoughtfully asked us to be thinking about our strategic budget priorities and asked each of us to bring a list and honestly I just completely forgot. Commissioner DeGroot said, we could discuss it later if we have additional time in the budget workshops. Commissioner Morris said, let's wait another week.

2. Planning Commission Meeting Protocol

Erik Nobel addresses the Board. He said, the last Planning Commission meeting was closed to the public but we had some people come in anyway so I wanted to have a conversation and see if we wanted to have different protocol. We could bring the Planning Commission members in a separate way and keep the other doors locked. I just want to be fair for everyone. Does the Board want to have the next meeting at the Fairgrounds and have it open to the public? Commissioner DeGroot said, here's my feeling, the last one got continued to April. There is two, the one in April, on that one we may want to consider opening that one up and doing something at the Fairgrounds. The March one, I'm anticipating the applicant will be a no-show and so there will still be unanswered questions and it will get continued so we could have both of those extended to that time and have a hearing on the same day at the Fairgrounds. Commissioner Boyd said, I think we close the March 16th meeting to the public, the April meeting is open to the public at the Fairgrounds. I'm more than happy to stand in the parking lot and explain it to people that the 16th meeting is closed but it will be streamed and you can watch it on our Charter channel. Commissioner DeGroot said, I think the April meeting should be open to the public but we should probably include a disclaimer that if we see a spike in cases we will go back to closed and written comments only. Commissioner Morris said, so it sounds like the majority of the Board want to keep the 16th closed to the public and plan for an April meeting at the Fairgrounds to allow for public comment. Commissioner DeGroot said, providing we don't have a spike in cases.

6. Other County Business

None.

7. Adjournment

1:32pm

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