

Morrow County Court weekly meeting held

The Morrow County Court met on April 28 in Heppner with Judge Tallman, Commissioner Grieb, and Commissioner Rea in attendance. Following is a summary of the meeting provided by Leann Rea.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes from the following meetings: September 23, 2009, January 27, February 18, April 8, April 15, and April 21, 2010.

The court reviewed and approved payroll, and account payables in the net total amount of \$153,576.81. The court also reviewed and discussed the Pooled Cash Report with the county treasurer, Gail Gutierrez.

Road Report

Bombing Range Road: The crew has completed all of the paving, paint striping, and shoulder work on the Bombing Range Road and Kilkenny Road sections of this project. This project is now completed. Lexington Cemetery Road: The crew paved the Lexington Cemetery Road from Hwy 207 to the Lexington Cemetery. Currently the crew is working on placing rock along the shoulders. Once the shoulder work is completed the crew will paint stripe the road this summer. South End Transfer Station: A little over half of this project was completed on Monday the 26th, when the crew was rained out. The project will be finished as

weather permits. Laurel Lane Road: Equipment was moved to Laurel Lane to begin working on widening the shoulders. The crew is removing sand and hauling in base rock and gravel, this will add an additional six to seven feet along the east side of the road. When the paving is completed at the transfer station the crew will pave all of Laurel Lane Road to 28 feet wide. The Port of Morrow is helping us on this project with some materials, equipment and manpower. Road Grading: The crew continues with grading the gravel roads. One grader is working in the Pettys Canyon area and one is working on the Ditch Creek Road area. All grading should be finished in

about a week or two. **Planning Department**
The first reading of the ordinance for a zone change for the Love's Travel Stop and Country Store was provided by the planning director, Carla McLane. McLane also presented the order for the appeal of the conditional use permit for Love's, which was reviewed and signed by the court. McLane informed the court that Layne Womack was hired as the new associate planner and that she will be starting in that position of May 17. The current associate planner is only working part time and plans on leaving the position completely by the end of May. "Consent to Participate" with a property

owner on California Street in Irrigon was reviewed and signed. **Elected Official's COLA**
The court reviewed the recommendations from the Citizen Compensation Committee, the Budget Committee and information gathered from the four larger and four smaller counties regarding wages for elected officials. (Requests were made to five larger and five smaller counties, however only four on each side responded.) The report from Vance Jacobson, compensation consultant regarding his recommendations for elected official's compensation was also reviewed. The Compensation Committee recommended an increase of \$3,494 per year

in the commissioners pay, an increase of \$873 per year to the sheriff and an increase of \$3,740 per year to the justice of the peace. The Citizen Compensation Committee recommended that all other elected officials compensation should remain at their current level. Along with the stated increases in compensation the Citizen Compensation Committee also recommended a 3% COLA for all elected officials. The Budget Committee recommended that since the justice of the peace is going to be filled with a new person this year that increase should not be given at this time. The Budget Committee also stated that since the increase to the sheriff was so small that adjustment should be made in the following year. However, they did recommend that the commissioners pay should be increased by one-half of the amount recommended by the Compensation Committee. After a lengthy discussion the court decided to follow the recommendations of the Budget Committee and increase the commissioner's compensation by one-half of the recommended amount, no increase to the justice of the peace nor the sheriff at this time and then give all elected officials a 1.5% COLA.

The court conducted the following business: An Intergovernmental Service Agreement contract between the Oregon Department of Revenue and Morrow County for map maintenance was reviewed and signed. Skip Matthews, representing the Willow Creek Park District questioned the court regarding property in the area of the swimming pool. The minutes from the March 4, 2009 meeting were reviewed. The court restated their intent to transfer the ownership of this property to the district as long as the transfer does not create any costs for the county. Matthews will work with county counsel to accomplish the property transfer. Miscellaneous correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed.

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P185/75SR-14	88.39	P205/70SR-14	98.02	P205/65TR-16	121.44	P215/60TR-16	138.88
P195/75SR-14	93.60	P215/70SR-14	113.77	P215/65TR-16	131.79	P215/60TR-17	150.45
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P205/75SR-15	100.55	P215/70SR-15	106.86	P185/60HR-14	103.58	P205/55HR-16	140.32
P215/75SR-14	99.00	P225/70SR-15	115.06	P185/60HR-14	105.98	P205/55TR-16	138.44
P215/75SR-15	104.24	P175/65TR-14	97.52	P195/60TR-14	102.72	P225/55TR-16	158.89
P225/75SR-15	113.00	P185/65TR-15	105.50	P195/60TR-15	104.77	P225/55TR-17	178.98
P175/70SR-13	75.55	P195/65TR-14	108.78	P205/60TR-15	114.60	P215/60TR-17	167.14
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P195/65HR-15	87.43	P225/60HR-16	124.87	P245/50HR-16	150.52	P205/40ZR-17XL112.01	
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