

Morrow County Court news

April 13:

The Morrow County Court met on April 13 in Irrigon with Judge Tallman and Commissioners Grieb and Rea in attendance.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes for the April 6 meeting. They also reviewed and approved the account payables in the net total amount of \$87,182.68.

Budget Information: Fred Carlson, Finance Director, provided the court with information regarding the status of the county's budget and the budget calendar. A general discussion and work session regarding budget issues was held. No final decisions were made, with various options being discussed.

Juvenile Dept.: Tom Meier, Juvenile Director, provided the court with information regarding suggested fees for monitoring systems that may be used as an alternative for detention, as well as other fees for services provided by his department.

Contracts: Reviewed and approved Amendment 1 to Dept. of Human Services Grant Agreement (Agreement No. 133258) to change the disbursement of grant moneys from \$1,846.15 to \$3,834.00; reviewed and approved the Inter-Governmental Service Contract between the county and Umatilla-Morrow Education Service District for the Morrow Co. Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program with the compensation amount not to exceed \$6,000.00; approved and signed another amendment to agreement with Finley-Buttes Limited Partnership contract. The change to the contract is for the change of Finley-Buttes name.

The court conducted the following business: Discussed the formation of the Ione Library District and the associated costs. The court reviewed a request from NACo for volunteers to assist with the annual conference to be held in Multnomah County. The court decided that the county will not be providing compensation to individuals who want to volunteer their time for this project.

Various correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed and discussed.

April 20:

The Morrow County Court met on April 20, 2011 in Boardman with Judge Tallman and Commissioners Grieb and Rea in attendance.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes

for the March 23 and April 13 meetings. They also reviewed and approved the account payables in the net total amount of \$175,222.74.

Enterprise Zone Boundary Expansion Comment Period: Carla McLane, Planning Director, provided information regarding the expansion of the Enterprise Zone to include land the Port recently rezoned and a parcel at Three Mile Farms. There was some discussion regarding potential financial benefits to this action. The comment period for this action will continue until May 3, 2011.

Planning Update: Carla McLane, Planning Director, provided information to the court regarding the proposal to build a new 20-inch natural gas pipeline from Ione to serve Portland General Electric's proposed Carty Generating Station near Boardman. There have been two alternative routes proposed, and the county is going to propose a third route that would then be able to facilitate other utilities. The court then discussed a concern that had been expressed by a local property owner regarding the need to prepare a re-plat to achieve a lot-line adjustment. The court upheld the planning director's decision to require a re-plat.

Commission on Children and Families: Kim Carnine, Director, requested an amendment to the professional service agreement with Tara Proudfoot, extending the contract to May 15, 2011. The request was approved. There was a discussion and it was decided to prepay one year's office rent for Ms. Carnine.

Road Report: The crew continues grading county roads, currently working on the Hardman Ridge Road east of the Morphine Lane, Holtz Lane and Willow Creek areas. The last couple of weeks the crew has been working on the McNab bridge project, where they have finished with forming and pouring the wing walls on each end of the bridge. They have relocated an irrigation line, rebuilt the fences to the bridge and cleaned up the work area. They did some grout work in a couple of spots on the bridge side rails and move some of the equipment to other locations. When the hot mix plant is up and running, the crew will go back and patch the ends of the bridge, which will complete the project. The crew has been building a stockpile site for chip seal rock along Willow Creek Road. When

it is finished, they will start hauling chip rock to the site for this summer's chip seal project. They have also built a stockpile site along the Blake Ranch Road for stockpiling chip rock. The crusher crew is continuing crushing chip rock at the Skinner Creek pit along Willow Creek Road. **Permits:** On the recommendation of the Road Dept. the court reviewed and approved the following permits: Permit # OHP for an underground crossing for electrical cables on Four-mile Canyon Road, Permits # OHR and # OHQ for an underground crossing for electrical cables on Palmeteer Road and Permit # OIV for an underground crossing for electrical cables on Fairview Lane and of these permits were between the County and Rosendin Electric in Arlington, OR. Permit # OIU between the county and Eric Meakins for a four-inch water line to be located along 8th Street West in the Irrigon area was also approved.

West Extension Irrigation District: Bev Bridgewater, District Manager, provided the court with information regarding district concerns regarding the need to protect return flows, as these flows have a tremendous impact on the district's ability to provide water to their users.

Video Conference with Whidbey Island Naval Air Station: The court held a video conference with representatives from the navy to discuss several items of concern regarding the bombing range. Some of the concerns were wildfire suppression, blowing sand issues, easements for utilities, ownership of Bombing Range Road and status of the EIS that is being prepared for the change of use for part of the bombing range to allow the use by the Oregon National Guard. The Navy informed the court that they will be providing a band for the Cinco De Mayo celebration and there is a possibility that they will do a fly over for both Boardman and Ione's Fourth of July celebrations.

The court conducted the following business: Authorized a Purchase Preauthorization for a server, UPS, monitors and a scanner for the county assessor in the amount of \$13,412.24. The court appointed Shirlee Sweigart to the fair board with her term to end April 22, 2012. The court reviewed and approved a reimbursable agreement in the amount of \$300,000, which will be used for a paving project on Willow Creek Road. Reviewed information regarding Teamsters retiree insurance coverage and decided that no change is needed at this time. Reviewed information provided by the compensation committee regarding compensation for the elected officials. The

compensation committee members are Lisanne Currin, Robert Brown and Jerry Healy.

Various correspondences and upcoming meeting notices were reviewed and discussed.

April 27:

The Morrow County Court met on April 27 in Heppner with Judge Tallman and Commissioners Grieb and Rea in attendance.

The court reviewed and approved the minutes for the April 20th meeting and the minutes from the County, Port and City of Boardman meeting held on April 21st. They also reviewed and approved the account payables, vacation pay and payroll payables in the net total amount of \$87,160.08.

The court conducted the following business: Reviewed and approved a "Grant Application Resolution" to apply for a grant with the Dept. of Revenue for the Assessment and Taxation grant, with the amount to be determined after the budget meetings are completed. Reviewed and approved Amendment Number 01 for Contract and Agreement No. 27247 regarding right of way services for the Spring Hollow Bridge replacement project. Reviewed and signed a personal services contract with Mary-Ellen Wainwright to serve as park host for the Anson Wright Park at a daily rate of \$25.00.

The court adjourned the regular meeting and immediately went into the annual budget meetings.

If you would like to be placed on the list to receive these county minutes, please contact Karen Wolff at (541)676-5620.

Found Property Notice

The Morrow County Sheriff's Office has in its physical possession the unclaimed personal property described below. If you have any ownership interest in any of that unclaimed property, you must file a claim with the Morrow County Sheriff's Office within 30 days from the date of publication of this notice, or you will lose your interest in that property.

- Cash, Bikes
- Cell Phones
- Watch
- Tools
- MP3 Players
- Air Gun
- Chainsaw
- Camera
- Jacket
- Wedding Ring
- Gun Ammunition
- Flower Pot
- Shotgun
- Purse

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Justice Court Report

Morrow County Justice of the Peace Ann Spicer has released the following Justice Court Report.

-James Donald Hams, 60, Operating Without Required Lighting, Failure to Appear, guilty by default, \$192 fine.

-Katrinka Lynna Danielson, 34, Criminal Trespass II/C misdemeanor, \$704 fine.

-Travis Paul Danielson, 31, Criminal Trespass II/C misdemeanor, \$704 fine.

-Nathan Lynn Chapek, 33, Criminal Trespass II, \$704 fine.

-Catherine Mary Conklin, 40, Theft III violation/C misdemeanor, \$278.75; James R. Parrish, 33, Reckless Driving, \$1,240 fine, two-year bench probation.

-James D. Monahan, 72, Violating the Basic Rule by driving 79 m.p.h. in a 55 m.p.h. speed zone, \$289 fine.

-Alex B. Pickles, 18, Minor in Possession and alcohol level .117, \$289 fine.

Ladies Auxiliary to hand out memorial poppies

Heppner residents will soon see the local unit of the American Legion Auxiliary distributing poppies along Main Street.

The Auxiliary hands out poppies every year to remind Americans of the men and women who served and died for their country. The paper poppies are handmade by hospitalized veterans with material supplied by the Auxiliary. The poppies serve as both a source of income, since the veterans are paid, and as a form of therapy.

Based on the poppies seen by soldiers in World War I, the poppy has been the American Legion's memorial flower since 1920. The Auxiliary was given responsibility for the poppy program in 1924. Since then, 100% of the profits from the poppies has gone to the welfare and relief of soldiers and their families.

The Auxiliary plans to hand out poppies in front of the Heppner Post Office sometime before Memorial Day.

FSA deadlines approaching

The Farm Service Agency would like to remind growers that the following deadlines are approaching:

June 1 - 2011 DCP & ACRE contract sign up deadline

June 1 - Deadline to request farm records changes or update entity membership changes

June 30 - All acreage needs to be reported to FSA

July 15 - Deadline for 2010 production for ACRE farms, NAP insured crops

July 29 - Deadline to sign up for 2009 SURE crop disaster

Wheat Grower events planned in Morrow County

The Oregon Wheat Growers League (OWGL) is planning two Morrow County events in June. Interested parties may look for more information at www.owgl.org or contact the OWGL office for details, registration or questions.

A research and technology committee meeting and luncheon will be held at the Port of Morrow facility in Boardman on June 2 from noon to 3 p.m. Guest presenter Sunny Ramaswamy, Oregon State University Dean of Ag Sciences, will provide an update on research and extension funding.

On June 8, the Morrow/Gilliam County Golf Scramble will be held at the Willow Creek Country Club in Heppner. The event will begin with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Food and beverages provided throughout the day are included in the registration.

Open house scheduled to discuss pipeline lateral near Boardman

Gas Transmission Northwest LLC (GTN) is conducting an open house on Wednesday, May 11 in Boardman to inform the public about a feasibility study it is undertaking on a proposed natural gas pipeline in the area. GTN is a partly-owned subsidiary of TransCanada Corporation.

The proposed Carty Lateral pipeline would extend 20 to 25 miles from GTN's existing mainline near Ione, north to connect to the proposed Carty Generating Station, an electric generating plant under consideration by Portland General Electric.

The "come-and-go" format of the open house will allow landowners, citizens and other stakeholders the opportunity to meet with representatives of GTN to ask questions, gather information and share ideas about the proposed project.

The Open House is from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Port of Morrow offices at 2 Marine Drive in Boardman.

Fundraiser dance to be held

A dance will be held May 14 from 6:30-8:30 p.m. at the Morrow County Fairgrounds to raise funds for the local tumbling program. This community dance is an alcohol-free event with music by Joe and LeAnn Lindsay and Friends. The event is free but donations are welcome. Everyone is invited.

Contact Cindy Sumner at 989-8514 for more information.

If you or someone you know has a gambling problem, help is available and that help is FREE of charge.

If YOU have a family member who suffers from gambling addiction, YOU can also receive FREE treatment even if the gambler is not receiving treatment.

If you are a resident of Morrow County and you wish to take advantage of the services above or desire more information, Please call any of the following numbers to set up a LOCAL appointment or just to talk:

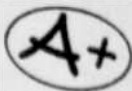
Bobby Harris @ 541-676-9925 or 541-256-0175
Community Counseling Solutions (CCS) @ 541-676-9161
OR 1-877-695-4648 (1-888-MYLIMIT)

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Hunters Education

Course to be held June 14th, 16th, 21st and 23rd

6:00 - 9:00 p.m. at Heppner High School
Field day - June 18th at Lexington Gun Club

Any person under 18 who wishes to hunt must pass this course in order to acquire a hunting license in the State of Oregon. Any person wishing to hunt out of state must also hold a valid Hunter Education Card. The course is being taught by Jim and Darlene Marquardt.

To register for the class call Jim
at 541-969-4845

The fee for the course is \$10 and is set by ODFW

Information about the course can be viewed at
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