

MINUTES FOR THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
STATE OF OREGON, COUNTY OF JACKSON
REGULAR MEETING HELD ON
AUGUST 19, 2020

The Board of Commissioners' Regular Meeting was opened by Commissioner Roberts on Wednesday, August 19, 2020, at 9:30 a.m. in the Courthouse Auditorium/by videoconference. Those participating were:

Colleen Roberts, Chair
Rick Dyer, Commissioner
Bob Strosser, Commissioner
Danny Jordan, County Administrator
Joel Benton, County Counsel
Loris Fenner, Recording Secretary
Members of the Public and Press

Commissioner Roberts led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Roberts and Mr. Jordan spoke about the removal of agenda item 30.01 from the agenda due to legal complications which prevented the documents from being prepared in time for this meeting.

10.00 Request for and Discussion of Non-Agenda Items (5-Minute Limit)

Gary Fowler, Jacksonville, stated his gratitude to the Commissioners for their availability. He said people should use common sense and common courtesy so State regulations are not necessary.

Greg Marchese, Phoenix, read a news article about a local business which is involved with clinical studies related to a COVID-19 vaccine. He submitted the article for the record. (*Submission No. 1*)

Sonia Novick, Ashland, read a notice for the record. (*Submission No. 2*) She believes the Governor is wrongly managing the response to COVID-19 and that the Board needs to stand in opposition.

Sandy Felton, Ashland, stated that he disagrees with current government regulations. He asked the Commissioners to send a letter expressing their concerns as well.

Michael Erickson, Medford, asked the Commissioners to send a letter to the Governor stating their disagreement with her ongoing regulations in place to slow the spread of COVID-19.

William Soura, Jacksonville, spoke about how judges in the State are appointed by the Governor and that this process is wrong in his opinion. He stated that the County should secede from Oregon.

Keith Campbell, Medford, commended the Commissioners for their boldness in addressing fire management practices, and he requested they be just as bold in confronting the COVID-19 regulations.

20.00 Consent Calendar

20.01 Minutes of Meetings

BoC Regular Meeting, August 5, 2020

BoC Staff Meeting, August 6, 2020

Commissioner Strosser made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar as presented. Commissioner Dyer seconded the motion. Those who voted aye: Commissioner Strosser, Commissioner Dyer, and Commissioner Roberts. Motion passed.

30.00 Public Hearings

30.01 Public Hearing and Order to Consider a Jurisdictional Exchange of a Portion of Suncrest Road Between the City of Talent and Jackson County, Under Oregon Revised Statute (ORS) 373.270(6)(a). *Order No. 130-20*

At the beginning of the meeting it was noted that this item was removed from the agenda.

40.00 Discussion/Deliberation

40.01 Order Adopting the Road Maintenance Priority and Target Levels of Service for the Jackson County Roads and Parks Department. *Order No. 131-20*

Commissioner Roberts read the Order by Title. Mr. Jordan stated that the Board had been briefed at a prior meeting. He explained that the purpose of the Road Maintenance Priority and Target Levels of Service is to identify and articulate the priorities, objectives, and level of service standards of the Jackson County Roads and Parks Department. These standards will be utilized for maintaining, operating, and improving the roads, bridges, signs, and features in Jackson County. This document will guide the Roads and Parks Department in making decisions regarding the efficient use of limited Department resources.

Commissioner Dyer made a motion to approve Order No. 131-20 as read. Commissioner Strosser seconded the motion. Those who voted aye: Commissioner Dyer, Commissioner Strosser, and Commissioner Roberts. Motion passed.

There being no further business, Commissioner Roberts adjourned the Regular Meeting at 10:17 a.m.

JACKSON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/s/ Colleen Roberts

Colleen Roberts, Chair

/s/ Rick Dyer

Rick Dyer, Commissioner

/s/ Bob Strosser

Bob Strosser, Commissioner

/s/ Loris Fenner

Loris Fenner, Recorder

Approved on: 09/09/20

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Due to the existing novel coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic and the need to promote physical distancing, the Jackson County Board of Commissioners is conducting meetings through electronic and telephonic means. On April 8, 2020, the Board of Commissioners approved Order No. 52-20 authorizing the use of their electronic signatures on Ordinances, Orders, and other documents. Following the motion and roll call vote, Commissioner Strosser, Commissioner Dyer, and Commissioner Roberts each authorized the use of his/her electronic signature on these minutes of August 19, 2020.