BOCC MEETING MINUTES

9:00 AM  Wednesday, September 29, 2021  BARNES & SAWYER ROOMS
VIRTUAL MEETING PLATFORM

Present were Commissioners Patti Adair (via Zoom conference call), Anthony DeBone, and Phil Chang. Also present were Tom Anderson, County Administrator; Nick Lelack, County Administrator; David Doyle, County Counsel; and Sharon Keith, Board Executive Assistant (via Zoom conference call).

This meeting was audio and video recorded and can be accessed at the Deschutes County Meeting Portal website www.deschutes.org/meetings

CALL TO ORDER: Chair DeBone called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

CITIZEN INPUT:

Commissioner DeBone acknowledged that today is the last Board meeting for County Administrator Tom Anderson. Mr. Anderson begins retirement on October 1, 2021.

Commissioner DeBone acknowledged several emails received through the Citizen Input email address: homeless camp potential at Rosland Park, shooting in downtown Bend, and Sisters homeless shelter. Commissioner DeBone reported multiple emails were received regarding the wildlife inventory which is a topic on
today's meeting agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA: Before the Board was Consideration of Approval of the Consent Agenda.

ADAIR: Move approval of Consent Agenda
CHANG Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
CHANG: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

1. Consideration of Board Signature of Resolution No. 2021-048, a Resolution Regarding Right of Way Acquisition for Construction of Road Improvements at Hunnell Road between Loco Road to Tumalo Road
2. Consideration of Board Signature of Resolution No. 2021-065, Increasing Appropriations within the Health Services Fund and Extending 6.0 Limited Duration FTE and Adding 1.0 Limited Duration FTE within the Health Services Fund and 2021-2022 Deschutes County Budget
3. Consideration of Board Signature of Resolution No. 2021-066, Increasing Appropriations and Adding 7.5 FTE within the Health Services Fund and 2021-2022 Deschutes County Budget
4. Consideration of Resolution No. 2021-067, Transferring Appropriations and Adding 1.0 FTE within the Community Development Department and 2021-2022 Deschutes County Budget
5. Consideration of Resolution No. 2021-070, Setting a Public Hearing for the Surrender of jurisdiction of Portions of Knott Road, Tekampe Road, and Stevens Road to the City of Bend
6. Consideration of Board Signature of Order No. 2021-038, Appointing County Residents to two pools from which the County Clerk will select members of the Board of Property Tax Appeals.
7. Consideration of Board Signature of Order No. 2021-047, Appointing Health Services Director's Designees
8. Consideration of Board Signature of Document No. 2021-746, Amended Bylaws of Deschutes County Public Safety Coordinating Council
9. Approval of Minutes of the September 8, 2021 BOCC Meeting
10. Approval of Minutes of the September 15, 2021 BOCC Meeting
CONVENE AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE SUNRIVER SERVICE DISTRICT

11. Consideration of Board Signature of Letter Thanking Jackie Schmid for Service on the Sunriver Service District Managing Board

CHANG: Move approval
ADAIR: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAIR: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

12. Consideration of Board Signature of Letter Appointing Tony De Alicante to the Sunriver Service District Managing Board

ADAIR: Move approval
CHANG: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAIR: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

RECONVENE AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF DESCHUTES COUNTY

ACTION ITEMS:

13. Request BOCC Approval for ODVA Suicide Prevention Grant

Deputy County Administrator Erik Kropp introduced the item. Via Zoom conference call were Keith McNamara, Veterans Services and Caroline Suiter, Health Services. Seeking approval for the grant application in the amount of $4,000 for additional services for mental health outreach for the veteran population. The Board offered support for additional efforts in association with veterans suicide prevention services.

CHANG: Move approval of the grant application
ADAIR: Second
14. Grant Application Request, Oregon DEQ Community Response Plan for Smoke Implementation

County Forester Ed Keith presented a request to apply for a grant. The grant would provide funding for actions around smoke impacts through the Community Response Plan. This is a non-competitive grant for communities that have already adopted a community response plan. Funding would provide for an educational campaign corresponding to air quality experiences. The amount of the grant is $75,000 and includes a 10% match. A request for proposals would be issued to seek a media firm for the project. Mr. Keith is working with Communications Director Whitney Hale and Morgan Emerson and the Smoke and Public Health Collaborative. Education will be focused on the vulnerable populations.

ADAIR: Move approval
CHANG: Second

Discussion: Commissioner DeBone suggested contacting E Space Labs regarding their effort on air quality sensors. Discussion held on prescribed fires anticipated for this fall.

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
      CHANG: Yes
      DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

15. American Rescue Plan Funding Update

Chief Financial Officer/Treasurer Greg Munn presented the update. Via Zoom conference call was Michelle Williams and Scott Aycock of COIC.
Request to establish a criteria and standards for application eligibility to the small business or non-profit assistance project.

CHANG: Move approval of County Administrator signature on services agreement with COIC with not to exceed of $35,000

ADAI R: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAI R: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

Mr. Munn presented the proposal regarding the mobile cold storage unit for $82,000 that is currently being used by St. Charles for COVID response. The unit would be purchased from St. Charles and housed with the Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Chang voiced his disappointment that the County has not done more for efforts to prevent COVID deaths.

ADAI R: Move approval for the purchase of the mobile cold storage unit from St. Charles in the amount of $82,000 to be an asset of Deschutes County

CHANG: Second

VOTE: ADAI R: Yes
CHANG: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

Mr. Munn reported on additional ARPA fund requests that will be presented at a future meeting. Discussion held on requests for affordable housing assistance which will be brought back to a future BOCC meeting for discussion and later action.

Discussion was held on Bethlehem Inn, Commissioner Chang attended the Redmond City Council meeting yesterday to comment on the possibility of a co-investment opportunity on this request. Commissioner DeBone is supportive of committing to $450,000.

ADAI R: Moved approval of additional $450,000 ARPA funding for the Bethlehem Inn project in Redmond
Commissioner Chang would like to formally ask that the Redmond Council partner with the County on funding homeless facilities. Commissioner DeBone is comfortable with proceeding with the motion. Commissioner Chang pressed on a letter to the City of Redmond. Commissioner DeBone would like to proceed with the motion.

DEBONE: Second

Discussion: Commissioner DeBone would support a further discussion.

VOTE: 
ADAIR: Yes
CHANG: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

Discussion held on the Oasis Village project. Commissioner Chang commented on the projects to address the homeless in Redmond. A letter will be drafted to address Deschutes County’s vision of zero functional homelessness. The Board supported a letter. County Administrator Lelack noted the letter will be drafted and brought to the Monday BOCC meeting for review and consideration.

Commissioner DeBone presented a letter to advocate for a Department of Land Conservation Development grant request. Scott Aycock, COIC reported via Zoom conference call on the request noting it would be administered by COIC. The support is requested for land use planning for a regional training center and emergency coordination center. Commissioner Chang inquired if the project would compete with the Deschutes County’s pending request for technical assistance grant. Mr. Lelack responded this request would compete. Commissioner Chang is not inclined to support a project that competes with a Deschutes County request.

16. COVID19 Update

Via Zoom conference call were Health Services staff Nahad Sadr-Azodi, Rita Bacho, Emily Freeland, and Cheryl Smallman. Also present via Zoom was Dr. Mike Johnson from St. Charles Health System. Presentation is attached to
the record. Business Manager Cheryl Smallman reported the Health Services Department is requesting $550,000 to expend through December 31 to support the current rate and expenses due to COVID19 through the end of the year.

CHANG: Move approval of $575,000 of support for wrap around services
ADAIR: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAIR: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

17. Discussion and Consideration of Draft Vaccine Requirement for County Employees in Health Services and the Community Justice – Juvenile Division

Deputy County Administrator Erik Kropp, Sr. Assistant Legal Counsel Chris Bell (via Zoom) and Human Resources Director Kathleen Hinman presented the draft policy. The policy was first presented to the BOCC for review on September 15, 2021. Mr. Kropp reported on discussions with AFSCME. AFSCME recommended a revision to the policy. Mr. Kropp noted the union has agreed to the Memorandum of Understanding and will require County Administrator’s signature of Document No. 2021-788.

Discussion held on vaccination levels.

ADAIR: Move approval of County Administrator’s signature of the Temporary Policy for COVID19 Vaccination Requirement for County Personnel in Impacted Departments
CHANG: Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
CHANG: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried
ADAIR: Move approval of Document No. 2021-788
CHANG: Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
CHANG: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

RECESS: At the time of 11:58 a.m. the Board went into recess and reconvened the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

18. Consideration of Second Reading: Ordinance No. 2021-012 – Marijuana Annual Reporting

Tanya Saltzman, Community Development Department Senior Planner presented the second reading of the Ordinance. The first reading was conducted on September 8, 2021.

CHANG: Move second reading by title only of Ordinance No. 2021-012
ADAIR: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAIR: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

Commissioner DeBone read the Ordinance by title only into the record.

CHANG: Move adoption of Ordinance No. 2021-012
ADAIR: Second

VOTE: CHANG: Yes
ADAIR: Yes
DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried
19. Senate Bill 391 / Rural Accessory Dwelling Units

Tanya Saltzman, CDD Senior Planner presented this item for discussion to address decisions and interpretations pertaining to SB 391. Building Official Randy Scheid presented further details on accessory dwelling units. The Board made recommendations regarding the elements presented. Commissioner DeBone suggested a report on the next steps showing the timeframe.

20. Wildlife Inventory Update – Discussion of Options.

Tanya Saltzman, CDD Senior Planner presented a report of options pertaining to a wildlife inventory update. The overview included details on mule deer winter range, elk winter range, sensitive bird habitat, and composite of total acreage. Open houses will be planned with the Planning Commission to discuss amending the comprehensive plan update. Peter Gutowsky Planning Manger reported on unincorporated communities.

OTHER ITEMS:

- Commissioner DeBone met with Commissioner Williams from Lake County yesterday.
- County Administrator Nick Lelack presented a draft Letter to DLCD for interim housing on rural lands for consideration by the Commissioners. Commissioner Chang recommended a revision.

ADAIR: Move approval of Board signature
CHANG: Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
       CHANG: Yes
       DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried
EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At the time of 3:09 p.m. the Board went into Executive Session under ORS 192.660 (2) (e) Real Property Negotiations. The Board came out of Executive Session at 3:40 p.m.

ADJOURN: Being no further items to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

DATED this 13 Day of October 2021 for the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners.

ANTHONY DEBONE, CHAIR

PHIL CHANG, VICE CHAIR

ATTEST: PATTI ADAIR, COMMISSIONER

RECORDING SECRETARY