



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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BOCC MEETING MINUTES

9:00 AM

WEDNESDAY August 30, 2023

Barnes Sawyer Rooms
Live Streamed Video

Present were Commissioners Tony DeBone, Patti Adair and Phil Chang. Also present were County Administrator Nick Lelack; County Counsel David Doyle; and BOCC Executive Assistant Brenda Fritsvold.

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:

- Carl Shoemaker noted the presence of saints in today's society.

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

1. Approval of Resolution 2023-048, which reduces General Fund Contingency and increases appropriations for Medical Examiner services by \$87,000 in Fiscal Year 2024 per Document No. 2023-395
2. Approval of Resolution No. 2023-050 recognizing carryover funds and increasing appropriations within the General Fund – Veterans' Services

3. Approval of Chair signature of an amendment to the agreement with PacificSource for choice model services
4. Consideration of Board Signature on letters reappointing Steve Strang, Summer Sears, Craig Apregan and Tom Schnell for service on the Deschutes County Hospital Facility Authority Board

ADAIR: Move approval of the Consent Agenda as presented
 CHANG: Second

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

ACTION ITEMS:

5. Public Hearing to consider proposed amendments to DCC 10.05 relative to signs placed within County road right-of-way

Cody Smith, County Engineer/Assistant Road Director, explained the reasons for changing County Code to disallow political signs in the right-of-way of County roads. Smith said another change sought by the Road Department to this Code section would clarify procedures for permitting temporary activity signs and tourist/motorist-oriented directional signage.

The public hearing was opened at 9:11 am.

Chair DeBone noted the receipt of emails on this subject and emphasized that, if adopted, the proposed changes would not affect the placement of signs on private property.

There being no one who wished to testify, the public hearing was closed at 9:12 am.

CHANG: Move approval of first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-020 amending Title 10.05, Right of Way Signs, of the Deschutes County Code by title only
 ADAIR: Second
 VOTE: ADAIR: Yes
 CHANG: Yes

DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried

Chair DeBone read the title of the ordinance into the record.

6. Use of Opioid Settlement Funds

Janice Garceau, Health Services Director, reviewed that opioids have resulted in more than 500,000 deaths in the United States. Following the filing of lawsuits against manufacturers and dispensers, settlements were reached which will result in the allocation of \$7.1 million to Deschutes County over the next 17 years. Garceau presented information on the number of overdoses currently taking place in Deschutes County as well as the number of deaths attributable to overdoses.

Commissioner DeBone suggested that Health Services provide quarterly updates to the Board on the number of overdoses, deaths due to overdoses, emergency department visits due to overdoses, and Narcan doses distributed and used.

Commissioner Adair asked if the County can also determine how many people sign up to receive buprenorphine treatment.

Responding to Commissioner Chang, Garceau spoke to the effect of Measure 110 funding on medication-assisted treatment and other addiction treatment options.

Deevy Holcomb, Community Justice Director, reviewed strategies currently used to prevent overdoses, including recovery support that utilizes mentors who have shared experience. Holcomb introduced a proposal to utilize opioid settlement funds for a multi-strategy five-year collaborative effort to achieve enhanced response through targeted prevention activities, intervention and case management, and surveillance coordination.

Jessica Jacks, Prevention and Health Promotion Program Manager, said the goals are to prevent misuse of opioids, overdoses, and death from overdoses. Part of the proposal involves adding a 1.0 FTE Community Health Specialist at an estimated cost of \$751,542 over five years and allocating \$446,334 to programming needs for prevention strategies, supplies and equipment. Jacks described the activities that would be taken—including ensuring access to Naloxone and training in when and how to administer it—and reviewed the proposed outcome measures to be achieved by June 30, 2024.

Jacks next reviewed the proposed intervention strategy, which would cost \$1,847,047 over five years and include adding a 1.0 FTE Behavioral Health

Specialist position to help coordinate intervention activities. The primary goals of intervention are to divert individuals from the emergency department and/or criminal justice system, prevent deaths by overdose or suicide, and provide focused case management to persons exiting the criminal justice system.

Commissioner DeBone found the presented proposal to be well-thought-out. He agreed that the County must provide community education and support for those who are experiencing addiction.

Commissioner Chang appreciated the addition of recovery mentors to the response efforts.

CHANG: Move approval of the recommended use of opioid settlement funds over the next five years

ADAIR: Second

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

7. Second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-012 revising the County contracting Code

County Counsel Dave Doyle stated no changes have been made to the ordinance since first reading was conducted on August 16th.

ADAIR: Move approval of second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-012 by title only

CHANG: Second

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

Chair DeBone read the title of the ordinance into the record.

CHANG: Move adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-012 amending Title 2.36 and Title 2.37, Contracting, of the Deschutes County Code

ADAIR: Second

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

8. First Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-015 – LBNW, LLC, Plan Amendment and Zone Change

Anthony Raguine, Principal Planner, said Exhibit G to the ordinance, which constitutes the Board’s Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law (i.e., decision) on this matter, has been revised since it was initially published last week. Raguine presented an edited version of Exhibit G showing removed text in red with strikethrough formatting and added text in red with underline formatting. Raguine said aside from two date changes shown on page 2 of the exhibit, the revisions were made to pages 18 and 19 as shown.

Commissioner Adair added that the first sentence of the second paragraph on page 15 contains a beginning parenthesis that is not needed and should be removed.

Commissioner Chang said he does not believe the decision gives adequate consideration to scenic resources.

ADAIR: Move to accept the revised Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as amended and discussed

DEBONE: Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes

CHANG: No

DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried 2 - 1

ADAIR: Move approval of first reading of Ordinance No. 2023-015 by title only

DEBONE: Second

VOTE: ADAIR: Yes

CHANG: No

DEBONE: Chair votes yes. Motion Carried 2 - 1

Chair DeBone read the title of the ordinance into the record.

9. Second Reading of Ordinance No. 2023-018 – Griffin Plan Amendment / Zone Change

Rachel Vickers, Associate Planner, said first reading of the ordinance was conducted on August 16th.

ADAIR: Move approval of second reading of Ordinance No. 2023-018 by title only
CHANG: Second

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

Chair DeBone read the title of the ordinance into the record.

CHANG: Move adoption of Ordinance No. 2023-018 amending Deschutes County Code Title 23, the Deschutes County Comprehensive Plan, to change the Comprehensive Plan Map Designation for certain property from Agriculture to Rural Residential Exception Area, and amending Deschutes County Code Title 18, the Deschutes County Zoning Map, to change the Zone Designation for certain property from Exclusive Farm Use to Multiple Use Agricultural

ADAIR: Second

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

10. Historic Landmarks Commission Update

Tanya Saltzman, Senior Planner, said due to low community interest, staff has experienced difficulty in recruiting and retaining members on the County's Historic Landmarks Commission (HLC). Saltzman shared that the purpose of the HLC is to serve as an advisory body for issues concerning historic and cultural resources for unincorporated Deschutes County and the City of Sisters. Although the HLC reviews development applications for alterations to designated historic sites and structures, it has been years since a nomination has come before it for review.

Saltzman presented staff's recommendation that the HLC be disbanded and its authority be transitioned to the Planning Division or the Planning Commission.

In response to Commissioner Chang, Saltzman said staff does not anticipate any critical projects coming forward on the HLC's the agenda in the next year.

Gutowsky added that a future Board could decide to re-activate the HLC, dependent on community input and desire. Saltzman said if the Board approves proceeding with the recommendation to transfer the HLC's authority at this time, a public hearing will be held.

Chair DeBone noted the consensus of the Board to proceed with disbanding the HLC as recommended by staff.

11. County Policy update for HR-12 Family and Medical Leave to incorporate the Paid Leave Oregon program

Kathleen Hinman, Human Resources Director, explained that the County is required to participate in the State's Paid Leave Oregon program which was implemented this year. Hinman summarized the proposed changes to County Policy HR-12 which sets out the policy and procedures for family and medical leave to incorporate language specific to the administration of Paid Leave Oregon.

CHANG: Move approval of County Administrator signature of revised Human Resources Policy HR-12, Family and Medical Leave

ADAIR: Second

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

OTHER ITEMS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Being no further items to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:08 am.

DATED this 11th day of Oct. 2023 for the Deschutes County Board of Commissioners.

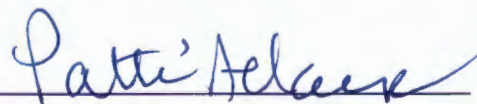
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