



Board of Commissioners Work Session Agenda  
July 26, 2023 ~ 3:00pm ~ Room 214

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**2. Call To Order & Those Present**

**3. Approve Minutes From June 28, 2023 And July 12, 2023 Meetings**

Documents:

[06-28-23.PDF](#)

[07-12-23.PDF](#)

**4. Kelsie Randall - 3319 S. 6th Street Project Update**

**5. Community Emergency Response Team**

**6. Emily Strauss - Welcome Corp Presentation**

~~**7. Tracey Cheyne - Midland Community Park District Update**~~



**8. BOCC**

**1. Approval Of Emergency Declaration**

Documents:

[07-25-23 RESOLUTION DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY.DOC](#)

**9. Adjournment**

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## Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting June 28, 2023 ~ 3:00 pm ~ Room 214

6/28/2023 - Minutes

### **1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To [www.klamathcounty.org](http://www.klamathcounty.org)**

### **2. Call To Order & Those Present**

Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Minty, Commissioner Henslee, Sandy Cox/Admin Staff, Tom Crist, Stephanie Brown/CDD

### **3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**

Commissioner DeGroot approves minutes from June 21 meeting.

### **4. Little League Grant Committee, Dana Oullette - Funding Request**

Dana Oullette and Darren Bennett/Little League Grant Committee address the Board, they are working to raise funds to overhaul the property. Has 3 major asks 1. Development on land that is currently leased from the County, 2. Utilization of grant writer and 3. funding a master plan through ZCS. Commissioner DeGroot agrees all of these ideas start with a master plan so is glad that they are working on that. Commissioner DeGroot asks if they have a cost associated with master plan? Oullette responds 50k. Commissioner Minty understands the struggle and encourages a collaboration with Steen Sports Park. Oullette indicates there are a lot of different activities going on at Steen's so there is a struggle getting time on their fields. Commissioner Minty explains the County grant programs (Tourism/Economic Grant Programs) and prefers organizations go through those processes. Commissioner Henslee appreciates the passion and vision, agrees with Commissioner Minty regarding going through the county grant process.

### **5. Richard Pfeil - City Serve Update**

Richard Pfeil addresses the Board with update of things the organization has done since last visit. Board thanks Pfeil for all the efforts put into improving our community.

### **6. Molly Jespersen, SkyLakes - Recreation District Discussion**

Molly & Lauren Jespersen/Sky Lakes Medical Center & David Wiestein of Trust for Public Lands address the Board asking for the County to reengage (resign letter) with Trust for Public Land to get this effort up and running again. Board is agreeable to working with TPL



again for this effort. Commissioner Henslee indicates the County is in the process of developing a strategic plan, the group has identified recreation as one of the pillars of the plan. Commissioner DeGroot explains that we need to be very specific when working on this, can't be everything to everyone. Commissioner DeGroot motions to sign a new letter for TPL, Commissioner Minty seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved

## 7. Tom Crist & Stephanie Brown, CDD - Solid Waste Fee Discussion Continued

Stephanie Brown, Tom Crist address the Board continued discussion from last week's meeting reviewing numbers. Discussion that rate increases go across the Board down to customers through Waste Management etc. Also would like to keep even numbers at the outlying areas as we cant keep up on the change. Review of chart showing revenues vs expenditures for each proposed plan. Commissioner Minty is comfortable with the 13%, reserves may go down a bit but government should be making money. Brown elaborates that we are need to have enough money in reserves to not depend on General Fund. Commissioner DeGroot is good with 15% plan. Commissioner Henslee likes the 13% plan. Commissioner DeGroot clarifies increase would be 13%, 13%, 13% and 4% perpetual. Brown explains will move forward process of public hearing etc.

## 8. Adjournment

4:03pm

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Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting  
July 12, 2023 ~ 8:00 am ~ Room 214

7/12/2023 - Minutes

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**2. Call To Order & Those Present**

Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Minty, Commissioner Henslee, Sandy Cox/Admin Staff, Amanda VanRiper/HR, Vickie Noel/Finance, Jessica Chastain/IT, Derek Wood Emergency Management

**3. Emergency Management Document Submission Review**

Jessica Chastain addresses the Board with update regarding quarterly grant documents and Request for Reimbursements. Additionally we need to submit EMPG Grant

Vickie Noel addresses the Board regarding updates with EMPG quarterly expenses, department will be in the red 60k For FY 22-23 and previous year loan 50k that is so long as we get all the funding we have submitted.

Jessica Chastain explains the SHSP grant will be split into 2 different components, so we may get more reimbursements.

DeGroot asks if we will have everything completed and submitted by the deadline the State gave us?

Noel responds yes.

Commissioner Henslee asks if we had all individuals available working on this would we have all information to submit to OEM and what/how much are we leaving on the table since we didn't have everyone available?

Noel responds and explains 60k

Noel responds doesn't know, but believes if everyone would have been available would have been able to answer more questions.

Chastain explains that Stacy Todd (previous County employee) was able to help us out, but if the Emergency Manager would have been available we could have gotten more information.

Commissioner DeGroot recaps that we will be in the red approximately 110k, will need to figure out where that funding will come from and also a restructure of the Emergency Management department at the July 25 Admin meeting.

Noel asks if we can apply for next year's EMPG grant through the State for operations.

Commissioner DeGroot asks who is preparing the grant application?

Noel responds herself, Wood and Belcastro.

Commissioner DeGroot motions to authorize submission of the EMPG grant application after application is reviewed by Natalie Parker, Sandy Cox and Vickie Noel, Commissioner Minty seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved



#### **4. Approve Amendments To OEM Grant Agreements**

Sandy Cox addresses the Board indicating the two amendments are just allowing and extra year to make sure everything is compliant.

Commissioner DeGroot motions to approve both amendments and authorize Commissioner Minty to sign both, Commissioner Henslee seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved

#### **5. Adjournment**

8:18am

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# DECLARATION OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FOR KLAMATH COUNTY, OREGON

IN THE MATTER OF DECLARING )  
A STATE OF EMERGENCY )  
WITHIN KLAMATH COUNTY )

RESOLUTION 2024-001

**WHEREAS**, this matter comes before the Board of Commissioners at a special meeting on July 26, 2023 involving a disaster situation created by the Golden wildfire located near the town of Bonanza and the community of Bly Mountain in Klamath County Oregon.

**WHEREAS**, Local and regional emergency management and recovery resources have been exhausted as 86 structures, 43 of which are residences have been destroyed. Additional resources including security, fire crews, recovery resources, and additional assistance are required to preserve life, health and property.

**WHEREAS**, while a County Disaster Declaration, in this instance, can only bring attention to this serious matter, a State and Federal Disaster Declaration for Klamath County will provide more resources to meet this disaster as well as the recovery to follow.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Commissioners, under the emergency powers granted by ORS 401.309, declare that a "State of Emergency" exists within Klamath County due to the wildfire impacts on our community.

**DONE AND DATED** this \_\_\_\_\_ day of July, 2023.

**KLAMATH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Chairperson \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_

Forwarded to Oregon Emergency Management at \_\_\_\_\_ (time), 202\_\_\_\_.