



## Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting April 26, 2023 ~ 3:00 pm ~ Room 214

4/26/2023 - Minutes

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

Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Minty, Commissioner Henslee, Sandy Cox/Admin Staff, Jeremy Morris/Public Works

**3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**

Commissioner DeGroot approves minutes from last Work Session meeting.

**4. Waste Management Recycle Continued Discussion**

Commissioner Minty addresses the Board indicating she had met with a few citizens that are unhappy about recycle being added to their service adding an approximately 10.00 fee, so asked this matter be on the agenda for further discussion. Ben Hirengen/Waste Management explains they provided a service and there is a fee that is attached to that service, believes a transparent process was followed. Tyler Mackay reiterates that Waste Management was asked to provide recycle service to this area and they did their best to notify citizens of the change. Discussion about how and who requested this service be added. Commissioner Henslee asks if there is a way to establish a survey to see if the citizens want the service? Commissioner Minty would suggest ending the service then take a survey. Ben Hirengen explains they have already invested significant dollars to provide this service. Commissioner DeGroot will give this some thought. Commissioner Henslee would like to talk to Counsel about next steps and report back to the Board.

**~~5. Chemult Community Action Team~~**

**6. Matt Baun & Adam Johnson - US Fish & Wildlife (30 Min.)**

Matt Baun & Adam Johnson/ Fish & Wildlife provide overview of 2023 Bi-Partisan Infrastructure Bill and timeline. Commissioner Minty questions what are they looking for from the pre-proposals. Baun responds/explains. Commissioner Henslee questions what type of priorities does the Federal Government have for projects with Broad support? Baun responds and explains scoring points/scale. Commissioner Henslee asks if this funding will be used on Federal Land and public lands as well? Baun responds yes.



Commissioner Henslee further elaborates that he is happy that the Federal Government will be collaborative with this. Commissioner DeGroot asks how things are going on the hatchery? Johnson provides update on progression. Commissioner DeGroot reviews cost associated with different phases. Commissioner DeGroot explains a healthy fishery solves a lot of problems in the Basin. Commissioner DeGroot further elaborates that we need to get everyone back at the table to collaboratively come up with a solution for water. Commissioner Henslee appreciates the offer to meet and have conversations.

## **7. Jeremy Morris & Ben Ebner - South 6th Street Booster Station & Fairgrounds/Altamont Intersection Discussion**

Jeremy Morris & Ben Ebner/ODOT present 3 draft concepts (created by Kittleson & Associates) for redesigning the entrance to the Fairgrounds, cost for the road construction alone is 3-4 million. Discussion regarding utility easements etc. that will need to be created where the Booster station will be located. Board likes the "roundabout" option. Commissioner DeGroot asks if there might be any State funds available for this project? Ebner will look into. Discussion that the County needs to invest in improving the infrastructure at the Fairgrounds as it continues to grow. Morris will make sure this plan get in the TSP to help with grant funding requests.

## **8. Adjournment**

4:00pm

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