

**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
COUNCIL TIME
MINUTES OF MARCH 7, 2018**

The Board convened in Conference Room 698, 6th Floor, Public Service Center, 1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver, Washington. Chair Boldt, Councilor Julie Olson, Councilor Jeanne Stewart and Councilor Eileen Quiring present. Councilor Blom absent.

12:30pm.

Old Business

Approval of minutes for February 28, 2018

ACTION: Moved by Councilor Olson to **APPROVE** the minutes for February 28, 2018. Councilor Quiring seconded the motion. Councilors Boldt, Olson, Stewart and Quiring voted aye; motion carried.

New Business

Austin Heritage Development

Taylor Hallvick presented. There is some agreement that the right of way dedication is not part of the current application. Other questions include what are the applicants plans for the other parcels for the future, whether they will be subdivided or not, and what is the value of the right of way dedication. Once those things are better understood, then the county and the developer can come to an agreement. The Hearings Examiner will consider the subdivision as proposed and applied for, as if 137th is not on the capital facilities plan. If that changes in the future, a DA would have to address the consideration for adding something to the capital facilities plan, if that's the decision that the county and the developer agreed upon.

Update: Complaint regarding Sheriff's Department

Amanda Migchelbrink presented. Amanda looked for statute regarding sheriff's obligation at the courthouse and did find one: 36.28.010 that states sheriff duties, including attend sessions of the courts of record within the county and obey their lawful orders or directions. She was not able to find additional case law. She also was not sure if there was a superior court case pending in Lewis County that the constituent was talking about. She was not able to find anything wrong with the current setup, as the sheriff's office is still present and security is providing supplemental security. She has no need for concern.

Clark County Boat Update

Sheriff's department presented. The enforcement is for general boating rules, assisting vessels in distress, body recovery, search and rescue, fire assistance, etc. John Chapman walked through the marine patrol program. Currently there are two deputies assigned to marine patrol. Biggest bodies of water include the Columbia River, shared with Multnomah County. The other large bodies of water are the two lakes: Merwin and Yale. In the summer, they are able to use the SRO's, and use overtime to staff the lakes. They are replacing the fishing boat with a patrolling boat that allows for closer contact with citizens on the lakes. The LifeProof patrol boat will cost about \$150,000 to replace the Duckworth fishing boat, which is on its last rotation. They also patrol the Lewis Rivers. The Hells Canyon Marine jet boat is designed for more shallow water, as little as six inches. They have three boats: the Duckworth fishing boat, which is the equivalent to a "lake boat"; Cabin Cruiser, a larger boat with a bigger cabin to be the year-round boat to

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patrol the Columbia River; and the HCM shallow river boat. They also have a small number of drift boats for recovering bodies, etc. Vancouver Fire also has a fire boat. The HCM was scheduled to be replaced, but they had it inspected and extended the life of the HCM boat, and allocated the funds to purchasing the LifeProof patrol boat.

Council Report

Councilor Quiring spoke with Mayor Ogle from Vancouver and ODOT about opportunities for Southwest Washington to have more information about Value Pricing. The suggestion was made to have a work session type meeting, where there could be questions back and forth with lawmakers and ODOT could answer. This will be an opportunity for the council to ask questions, ODOT to answer questions, and for the public to attend. Councilor Quiring outlined two different options for value pricing. Councilor Quiring requested to host a work session in the evening before April 11th. The councilors agreed this was a good idea. Jim Rumpeltes proposed to hold a council meeting, and invite ODOT to that meeting. Proposed Thursday night, March 29th. Lindsay Shafar reminded the council that is Oregon's spring break, which could pose problems for ODOT; it is also the same evening of the State of the City for Vancouver and Ridgefield. Additional dates proposed were March 19th, 27th, or after April 11th. They have to give their decision regarding which scenario by June 25th.

Council adjourned at 1:14pm to assess calendars.

Council re-adjourned at 1:18pm.

The council decided on March 27th as the best date before April 11th. Jim Rumpeltes reminded the council that Heath Henderson requested the presence of a county representative at a State Route 500 group meeting. Councilor Stewart is the appropriate councilor, but is committed to another obligation at the same time as the meeting. Councilor Boldt will attend, and if it is ongoing Councilor Stewart or Councilor Blom will attend. Councilor Boldt reported that the conservation district is assembling the requested items; they would like a work session on how they are going to get paid. There were two parts: one, assessing a fee, and the other option was to ask the question: Is there something the county is doing where there is a fit of their expertise and availability that would serve the county better, that they could also get paid for? Councilor Olson said it's not feasible to implement a \$5 fee on property tax. Lindsay Shafar reminded the council that the biennial budget has passed – the supplemental has not.

Staff Reports

Work Session request: Tipping Fees and Local Solid Waste Financial Assistant Grant

Dr. Alan Melnick requested a work session for March 21st. After the capital budget had been finalized, 60% of their budget was still gone. They will be working closely with the City of Vancouver and SWAC. This will also mitigate the need for a fee increase in the future. The end result would be that the fees would remain the same. The council felt a work session was unnecessary. Instead, Dr. Melnick will attend a Tuesday hearing where he will provide an update in regards to the supplemental capital budget, and share that due to no change to MTCA, that they will not be making any changes.

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Work Session request: Animal Protection & Control/Humane Society Annual Update

Animal control – annual session. Humane society wanted to provide a proactive, informational update. The code change regarding cats will be coming in a hearing in the next few weeks.

Report from Task Forces, Commissions and Boards

None to report.

Lindsay Shafar Report on Policy Issues

Lindsay is continuing to prepare for freight rail dependent – there will be one action item to approve public participation plan on Tuesday. Fireworks – still hearing back from more cities. State if the county – Lindsay is updating remarks and should have them to all councilors with the exception of councilor Stewart by the end of the day. Councilor Boldt, Linnea LaRocque and Lindsay met to discuss constituent issues, and if their issues have any concerns with county policies Lindsay will be included in those constituent issues. Legislative session ends tomorrow.

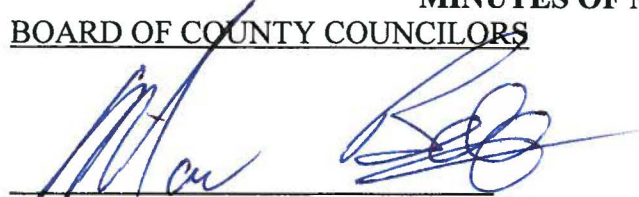
Legislative Update with Mike Burgess

Sine die to happen by tomorrow, 3/8. Senate debated an important property tax reduction bill that helps fund their budget. Budgets are all but agreed to on the operations side. Concurring on bills – should be a late couple of nights, with sign and die happening Friday morning. County roads bill did not make it out of the house. Fair funding has not passed yet, it could be part of the budget agreement as it affects the general fund, but is not a done deal. Drug takeback and the document recording fee bill have passed both the house and senate, and are on their way to the governor. Lastly, the 2437 low income tax credit bill was voted on – Republicans have concerns about long term fiscal impacts. Amendment reduced the funds by a third, but was what was necessary to get the bill moving. Has to be voted on in the senate and concurred upon in the house. The operating budget has to sit on the bar for 24 hours. Transportation budget is agreed to.


The Council adjourned Council Time at 2 pm for two executive sessions on pending litigation for 30 minutes with no action.

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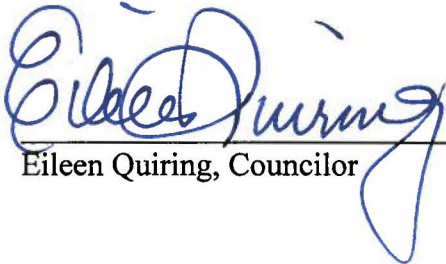
Jeanne E. Stewart, Councilor



Julie Olson, Councilor

ABSENT


John Blom, Councilor



Eileen Quiring, Councilor



ATTEST:



Rebecca Tilton, Clerk of the Council

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