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**Clatsop County Board of Commissioners
Regular Meeting
September 14, 2016**

Vice-Chair Dirk Rohne called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm., in the Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial Street, Astoria, Oregon. Also present were Commissioners Sarah Nebeker, Lisa Clement, and Lianne Thompson. Scott Lee was excused.

Staff Present:

- Cameron Moore County Manager
- Heather Reynolds County Counsel
- Ben Bradshaw Staff Assistant – Clatsop County Domestic Violence Council
- Kathi Mattinen General Manager - Fair

AGENDA APPROVAL

Nebeker made and Clement seconded a motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

a. Clatsop County Domestic Violence Council

Ben Bradshaw, Domestic Violence Council, addressed the Board with an update on the council. Bradshaw gave statistics that was collected from October 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016. The District Attorney’s office serviced 737 victims of crime; 153 adult assault victims; 20 adult victims of sexual assault; 22 child victims of sexual assault and 6 victims identified within child abuse images. The council is in transformation. It has successfully ratified their Mission and Bylaws; has a new location; expanded their membership; are updating and in the process of ratifying the Survivor Board Protocol and have increased the duration of council meetings. The committees include prevention and community outreach; victim services and response; interagency coordination and offender services. The committee is currently working with The Harbor and local law enforcement to update protocols for DART and SART responses. The committee has been working with the judges on a resolution of inconsistencies in the way domestic violence assessments were being administered. The Annual Healthy Homes 5K walk/run is coming up on October 8th. There will be informational tables which will include information on how to become a certified foster parent. They have increased their outreach to the schools, churches, Boy Scouts, Coast Guard, local firefighters and many others. In a year, Bradshaw is hoping to provide a broader array of domestic violence statistics and an update for the projects the committees are currently working on.

Nebeker asked what DART and SART stood for. Bradshaw said DART is Domestic Assault Response Team and SART is Sexual Assault Response Team.

b. Clatsop County Fair

Kathi Mattinen, Fair General Manager, thanked the Fair Board and the Board of Commissioners for allowing her to serve as the Fair Manager. Mattinen said there was only one minor injury during the fair that was reported. There were 13,964 in attendance at the fair which was a 42 ½% increase from last year. They used a new carnival company and the revenue for that was up along

1 with the food vendor income. There were more animals and the auction brought in \$354,000 to
2 benefit the kids. The concert with Craig Morgan had great attendance. The only complaint
3 Mattinen heard was the beer line was too long. They offered multiple free activities for kids.
4 Mattinen is already working on the 2017 fair and is trying to schedule another concert. Mattinen
5 is anxious for input. Clement asked if the concert replaced the BMX exhibit. Mattinen said no
6 and said the BMX exhibit is expensive. Thompson spoke with people who were delighted to
7 support the youth in the county by purchasing auction animals. Nebeker asked what may have
8 caused the increase in attendance. Mattinen thought the decrease in gate fees helped with
9 attendance. Rohne thanked the Fair Board for their hard work.

10 11 **BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC**

12 Chris Farrar, 3023 Harrison Ave., Astoria. Farrar wanted to encourage the Board in their
13 interactions with agency people to bring a broader prospective of the management of the state
14 forests. The current practices are beginning to effect water supplies, human health, and the health
15 of the fisheries. Farrar said he heard a prominent political figure representing Clatsop County on
16 a local radio station and said this person does not understand the responsibility of the Oregon
17 Department of Forestry. He said this person thinks the only use of the forests is for revenue.
18 Farrar said revenue is clearly not the purpose of the state forests. Farrar is asking the Board to do
19 what the state law is written to say. Farrar would like to have a workshop and discuss the forests.

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21 Helen Westbrook, 2860 Log Bronc Way, Astoria, OR. Westbrook said Thompson spoke at the
22 Forest Trust Land Advisory Council (FTLAC) on August 26th and Westbrook encouraged the
23 Board to listen to the audio for her full remarks. Westbrook said Thompson told the Council that
24 Clatsop County was continuing to work on a forestry policy and she has been doing it behind the
25 scenes for two years. Westbrook said Josi inquired if the development of the policy was open to
26 the public. Westbrook reminded the Board of an April 8th draft letter acknowledging that Clatsop
27 County was on the record supporting balanced management of harvest and supporting durable
28 and visible destinations of the forests as high value and the Commission did not support targeting
29 old trees for harvest expressing concern about pesticide use on state forests. Westbrook is asking
30 the Board to represent the community at the FTLAC and to strongly encourage minimizing the
31 spraying of pesticide into the state forests.

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33 Susana Gladwin, 82316 Hwy 103, Seaside, OR. Gladwin addressed the Board regarding the
34 speed limit on Hwy 101 and Hwy 26 where the speed limit is 55 mph. Gladwin said the fire
35 department has asked to reduce the speed limit and Gladwin would like to see this also. Gladwin
36 said she sees a solution to herbicide spray and will have more information for the Board in
37 October.

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39 Rohne asked Moore to give an update on the Linn County lawsuit. Moore said there have been
40 recent developments and asked Reynolds to give a report. Reynolds said the court issued an
41 opinion on September 6th. The order cleaned up the complaint. The judge ruled on the class
42 certification and thought it would be appropriate to certify the class which would include every
43 taxing district in the state. Each taxing district would individually opt in or opt out. The judge
44 said he would not do the actual certification until the summary judgement process was complete.
45 There will be some discovery, collecting of evidence, each party will review the other's
46 evidence, interview witnesses and then the state will file its motion for summary judgement.

1 Reynolds believes it will be four to five months before there is any decision made that would
2 involve the county.

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4 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

5 *Nebeker moved and Thompson seconded a motion to approve the consent calendar. Motion*
6 *carried unanimously.*

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11 **BUSINESS AGENDA**

- 12 a. Holiday Schedule for November & December meetings
- 13 Rohne asked if there were any problems with the November 9th and December 14th
- 14 recommendation to hold the November and December meetings. *Nebeker motioned to*
- 15 *approve the holiday calendar as suggested by staff and Clement seconded. Motion carried*
- 16 *unanimously with Lee excused.*

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18 **COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS**

19 Nebeker said she has been contacted by constituents about various problems. Nebeker said
20 several people were upset about the new FEMA maps. Nebeker contacted staff with her
21 questions and staff were very helpful. Nebeker believes there will be more people attending the
22 Liberty Theater concerts which will help the theater out.

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24 Clement said she has been contacted from constituents mostly about road related issues. Clement
25 said she has found wonderful resources through the Planning Department and Heather Hansen,
26 Community Development Director. Clement said she has been able to satisfy the complaints.

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28 Rohne said he had a friend write a grant for alternative gear for salmon which involved taking a
29 fish trap and making it much smaller. They are doing some test fishing. Rohne and
30 Commissioner-elect Kathleen Sullivan met with Northwest Senior Disability Services (NWSDS)
31 for an orientation. Rohne is hoping that Sullivan can participate on that board. Rohne said the
32 NWSDS provides adult daycare, information and referral home services, financial assistance,
33 health insurance counseling, housing, home repair, legal services, medical assistance, medication
34 management, mental health services, money management, support groups, transportation and
35 more. Nebeker asked if they had to be on disability or would it help seniors without disabilities.
36 Rohne said the group helps everyone they can and in any capacity they can.

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38 Thompson attended the Clatsop Soil & Water District (CSWD) meeting and they are looking for
39 more candidates to fill two vacant positions. The Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) annual
40 conference is coming up in November which Thompson highly recommends. There are a variety
41 of steering committees in the AOC and they have now established a resilience sub-committee.
42 Thompson will chair this committee. Thompson is working on the housing sub-committee and
43 trying to pull all resources together to develop a model for affordable and available housing.

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45 **COUNTY MANAGER'S REPORT**

46 No report

1 **ADJOURNMENT 6:55PM**

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Scott Lee, Chairperson