

APPROVED BY ORDER # 10-17-319

**MINUTES OF THE
JOINT WORK SESSION
WITH DEPOE BAY CITY COUNCIL
AND
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
6:00 PM, APRIL 26, 2017
DEPOE BAY CITY HALL**

Chair Thompson convened the informal meeting at 6:00 pm. Also present were Commissioner Hunt, Commissioner Hall, County Counsel Wayne Belmont, Public Information Officer Casey Miller, and Recorder Tanya Graham. Depoe Bay City Council representatives included: Mayor Barbara Leff, Councilors Robert Gambino, Debbie Callender, and Charles Bates.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Work Force Housing Efforts – Commissioner Hall reported that he has been spending time in Salem focusing on Legislative changes that will help with the housing issues in Oregon.

Commissioner Hunt stated that the shortage of housing is a supply and demand issue. Lincoln County has very limited land for building and builders want to go where they can make money. By reducing the demand, we decrease the costs. This has become a very complex issue.

Commissioner Thompson stated that we need to address land use laws and consider expanding east. There is more developable land in east County.

Maritime Workforce Sector – Commissioner Hunt reported that data is being collected concerning the Maritime Industry. The hope is that new work force programs and educational programs can be created to help with the maritime workforce.

A group has been formed who meets regularly to help bring sector strategies together and connect businesses with the workforce. Through this we can learn what employers need and find a way to have the industry be recognized in a more formal manner.

Currently there has been a Bill submitted to the Legislature for the development of a Maritime Taskforce.

Solar Eclipse Planning – Mayor Leff explained that the City of Depoe Bay has formed a committee and has been meeting every two weeks. They have an extensive volunteer list and porta pottys have been reserved. The City is prepared for a large quantity of garbage and is also organizing a lost kid/parent meeting place. There will be a flyer going out in the middle

of May. Mayor Leff requested that the County help provide a Mental Health Worker on site for the event.

Wayne Belmont stated that it is very important to coordinate all of the cities and county in their preparations for the Solar Eclipse Event.

Commissioner Hunt reported that there has been a lot of planning and coordinating with State and local agencies concerning the Solar Eclipse Event.

Josh William, Fire Chief with Depoe Bay Fire District, thanked the Commissioners for helping acquire eclipse glasses for the community. Josh also reminded everyone that the solar eclipse event is occurring during the peak fire season so being aware is important.

Other Business –

Commissioner Thompson stated that we need to be proactive with the Coast Guard budget and Federal budget. Commissioner Thompson encouraged the City of Depoe Bay to write a letter of support requesting the Coast Guard budget not get cut. Currently there is a bill in the Legislature Requesting that Congress authorize and appropriate funding for United States Coast Guard's air facility in Newport in perpetuity.

Commissioner Thompson also reported that he has been actively involved with the MidCoast Water Planning Coordinating group. The City of Newport has received a grant to help look at future needs for a reservoir and/or storage of water.

The joint session adjourned at 6:55 pm. These meeting minutes were read and approved this

11th day of October, 2017.

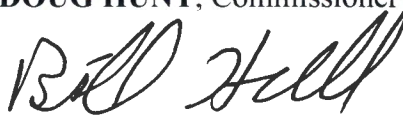
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