

Legal Counsel Update: October 22, 2019

2:00 p.m. – Board Conference Room

Attending: Commissioners Lily N. Morgan, Darin J. Fowler and Daniel E. DeYoung; Wally Hicks, Leah Harper, Augustus Ogu and Pat Ellison, Legal Counsel; Wendy Watkins, Recorder

Chair Lily N. Morgan called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

1. Welcome DA Eastman

Josh Eastman said he grew up here and graduated from Rogue River High School and went to the University of Oregon for undergraduate and law school. He started working with Josephine County in July 2015 and before coming to the DA's office, he worked for the DA's office in Curry County and was a city prosecutor in Medford for one year. He said he has been the county's Drug Court prosecutor since 2017. He thanked the Board for the opportunity to meet them and said he is anxious and excited for this new challenge.

2. Additional Subjects/Matters from Commissioners – ORS 192.640(1)

Commissioner Morgan discussed the Dispute Resolution process. She mentioned the Outreach & Education Coordinator position and what a success this program has become and would like to find funding to make it a full-time position. Commissioner Morgan mentioned registration is due for the NACo Legislative Session in Washington, D.C. next March 2020. Commissioner Fowler said he supports Commissioner Morgan going to Washington, D.C. and Commissioner DeYoung said he wants to be cognizant of the travel budget. Commissioner Morgan discussed an Aspire Grant for Emergency Management, which incorporates eleven agencies and two counties, and only one generator was granted.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.