

County Administration Workshop: May 4, 2017

9:00 a.m. – Board Conference Room

Attending: Commissioners Simon G. Hare, Lily N. Morgan, and Daniel E. DeYoung; Wendy Watkins, Recorder

Chair Simon G. Hare called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

1. DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

A. Public Works

1) Federal Lands Access Program Match Agreement with US Department of Transportation, Western Federal Lands Highway Division (Brandes)

Rob Brandes, Public Works Director, explained this grant-funded project would provide federal highway funds for Galice Road Improvements such as repair and replace guardrails, rehabilitation of existing turnouts and addition of new turnout signage. *Staff was directed to place the item on the Consent Calendar on next week's Weekly Business Session Agenda.*

B. Public Health

1) Sub-award Agreement between Oregon Health and Science University and Josephine County Public Health for Oregon Center for Children and Youth with Special Health Needs, Title V Services, referred to the CaCoon Program (Wheeler)

Rebecca Robinson, Senior Administrative Supervisor, provided CaCoon, Title V services are provided by home visiting nurses which is an annual renewal of the sub-award and the performance period for this award is from October 1, 2016 to September 30, 2017. *Staff was directed to place the item on the Consent Calendar on next week's Weekly Business Session Agenda.*

2. QUARTERLY DEPARTMENT UPDATES

A. Veterans Services

Lisa Pickart, Veterans Services Manager, gave an update on department activities (**Exhibit 1 – Veterans Service Office**).

3. FINANCE REPORT and BUSINESS UPDATE

A. Resolution No. 2017-016; In the Matter of Continuation of Reserve Funds

Arthur O'Hare, Finance Director, mentioned every ten years the Board of Commissioners affirms that the funds are still in use and the Board agreed they would not like to move it forward and look into each individual reserve fund further.

4. OTHER BUSINESS (*ORS 192.640(1) “. . . notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.”*)

None heard.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

A. Solution to Vagrancy Problem between the Courthouse and Anne Basker Auditorium (DeYoung)

The Board reviewed a draft order regarding the common area between the County Courthouse and Anne Basker Auditorium. Commissioner DeYoung suggested removing the hardscape and changing it into landscape and Commissioner Morgan would like it designated as a non-smoking area. The Board agreed they do not need an order to remove the hardscape but an order is necessary to designate the area a non-smoking area.

B. Resolution No. 2017-025; In the Matter of a Reappointment to the Grants Pass Airport Advisory Board

Staff was directed to place the item on the Consent Calendar on next week's Weekly Business Session Agenda.

Matters from Commissioners

Commissioner Morgan mentioned she would like to share her calendar information with the Board and she would like to see Commissioner Hare and Commissioner DeYoung's calendars as well and the Board has no problem sharing their calendar.

Meeting adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

EXHIBITS:

Exhibit 1 – Veteran's Services Office

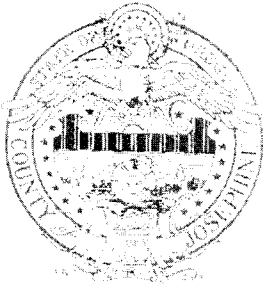


Exhibit 1
Admin 5/4/17
Josephine County, Oregon

Veteran Service Office

Josephine County Courthouse Dept 15
500 NW 6th Street / Grants Pass, OR 97526
(541) 474-5454 / FAX (541) 474-5106
<http://www.co.josephine.or.us>

05/04/2017

BCC Update

Josephine County VSO Workload 3rd Quarter

643 clients in office
112 outreach clients
713 phone calls,
Recoveries: 363,564.51

The Veteran Service Office is stable and continues to move forward both internally and externally. We work closely with the regions community partners to assure wrap around services creating seamless transitions for our Veterans.

Our outreach program is growing but the boundaries changed. Applegate outreach is slow to evolve. Josephine and Jackson County VSO's are on site and we expect this outreach to be very successful once word gets out.

Staffing

We are in the process of hiring a replacement to fill our admin .5 position. Interviews are scheduled for today.

Work Study Allowance Program: Josephine County was established as a VA work study site in 2006. This program serves as a supplemental VA education benefit and provides additional funding to students, allowing them to pursue and accomplish educational goals. Work-Study students earn an hourly wage equal to the federal minimum wage or State whichever is greater. They are allowed to work up to 25 hours a week in an accredited site.

To participate in this program the student must be receiving benefits under one of the following programs; Title 38 USC Chapter 30; Chapter 31 Voc Rehab ; Chapter 32 VEAP ;33 911 GI Bill ;35 DEA ;1606 Selective Reserves; 1607 REAP (reserve)

17+ students have been enrolled in this program under our site supervision. Most have entered into the workforce because of the skills they develop on the job, and the connections they make as a work study. We are allotted 5 work studies but lack the room to house them. They have been instrumental in the support of our in office operating systems; the music program busy work; and fielding the 250-300 phone calls per month and event development.

ODVA

State Legislation activity

Lottery Bill 96- OCVSOA and ODVA both testified at hearings a few weeks ago. We are in a holding pattern at this time

VMOP (Veterans Music Outreach Program)

VMOP played at Stand Up in February, as well as, Vietnam Veterans event hosted by the Vet Center in March. We have three major events coming up. The ODVA Employment/Benefits fair in Redmond Oregon July 15; Women's Veterans Event at the SORCC Aug 17; and the Home Depot 911 Event

Stand Up

Our February 10th standup was well attended, head count was 324. We had 66 vendors to include 15 employers. There were 48 potential hires and 4 hires on the spot. It was very successful