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Clatsop County
Board of Commissioners
Minutes
Wednesday, April 12, 2023

REGULAR MEETING: 6:00 PM

FLAG SALUTE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT

- Commissioner Lianne Thompson
- Commissioner Pam Wev
- Commissioner John Toyooka
- Vice Chair Courtney Bangs
- Chair Mark Kujala

AGENDA APPROVAL

Chair Kujala stated the State Homeland Security Program Grant Amendment 20-207-1 would be added to the Consent Calendar.

Motion made by Commissioner Toyooka, Seconded by Vice Chair Bangs to approve the agenda as amended.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Commissioner Toyooka, Vice Chair Bangs, Chair Kujala

PROCLAMATION

2. Sexual Assault Awareness/Action Month Proclamation {Page 115}

Tess Witnik presented on The Harbor, Clatsop County's only domestic and sexual violence advocacy center. She also cited statistics on sexual assault.

Motion: "Approve the Resolution and Order proclaiming April 2023 Sexual Assault Awareness/Action Month and authorize the Chair to read, then sign the proclamation."

Motion made by Vice Chair Bangs, Seconded by Commissioner Thompson.

Commissioner Thompson noted that a County Commissioner had announced they were a survivor of sexual assault during an Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) conversation. She stated the shame and silence needed to be broken for the victims.

Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Commissioner Toyooka, Vice Chair Bangs, Chair Kujala

1 Chair Kujala read the proclamation declaring April 2023 as Sexual Assault
2 Awareness/Action Month Month in Clatsop County.

4 **BUSINESS FROM THE PUBLIC**

5 Rick Bowers, 357 Commercial, Astoria, said the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE)
6 score was the result of a study done by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and
7 Kaiser to figure out what impacts long-term health. Toxic stress from ACE could affect
8 brain development, which impacts depression, jobs and managing life. Out of 6,000
9 people surveyed in Washington, very few people had a score of eight adverse childhood
10 experiences. However, most homeless people had a score of eight adverse childhood
11 experiences. He advised to be careful before blaming the victims of childhood trauma.

12 **CONSENT CALENDAR**

13 *Motion made by Vice Chair Bangs, Seconded by Commissioner Thompson to approve*
14 *the Consent Calendar as amended.*

15 *Voting Yea: Commissioner Thompson, Commissioner Wev, Commissioner Toyooka,*
16 *Vice Chair Bangs, Chair Kujala*

- 18 3. Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes 3-8-23 {Page 117}
- 19 4. Contract for Geotechnical Services & Pile Design {Page 126}
- 20 5. Project Turnkey 2.0 {Page 146}
- 21 6. Property Easement {Page 160}
- 22 7. State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) Grant Amendment 20-207-1 {Page
23 173}

24 **COMMISSIONER'S LIAISON REPORTS**

25 Commissioner Thompson reported that Business Oregon's Seismic Rehabilitation Grant
26 Advisory Committee awarded a grant to Knappa School for seismic retrofitting. She also
27 reported on her efforts to increase traffic safety, citing some recent accidents on
28 Highway 30 and Highway 101, which she had shared with Representative Pham. She
29 requested that rural areas be included in the Great Streets Program to increase the
30 safety of orphan Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) highways, and was
31 collaborating with other Commissioners in other Counties to figure out how to help
32 ODOT work with local road departments. She also noted that The North West Area
33 Commission on Transportation (North West ACT) was working on using local traffic
34 safety committees to gather information about local issues and educate people to
35 improve pedestrian and bike behaviors. Lastly, she reported on the AOC conversation
36 about gun control legislation, noting there was no consensus among the members, their
37 newly published report on water, and their Membership Committee's new goals.

38 Commissioner Bangs reported that the Council of Forest Trust Land Counties (CFTLC)
39 met to discuss ways to promote the local timber industry and their concerns about the
40 Habitat Conservation Plan and how to move forward. She was particularly concerned
41 about how much the plan would cost and how those costs would be funded. She