

**CROOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MINUTES  
OF JULY 10, 2024, WORK SESSION  
Open Portion**

**Be It Remembered** that the Crook County Board of Commissioners met in a regularly scheduled Work Session on July 10, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. in the Administration Conference room located at 203 NE Court Street, Prineville, Oregon 97754.

Board Members Present: Commissioner Seth Crawford and Commissioner Brian Barney

Absentees: Commissioner Susan Hermreck

Others Present in Person or Via Zoom: Legal Counsels Eric Blaine and John Eisler; Executive Administrative Assistant Sarah Puerner; Community Development Director Will Van Vactor; Administrative Assistant Breyanna Cupp; Office Manager Alex Solterbeck; District Attorney Kari Hathorn; Clerk Cheryl Seely; Airport Manager Kelly Coffelt; Budget Analyst Jamie Berger; Natural Resources Policy Coordinator Tim Deboodt; Facilities Director James Preuss; Undersheriff Bill Elliott; Lieutenant Andrew Rasmussen; Finance Director Christina Haron; Chief Information Officer Stephen Chellis; Code Compliance Officer Louis Seals; Sanitarian Chris Haindel; Road Superintendent Brad Haynes; Mike Ervin; Matt McCaw; and members of the public.

**WORK SESSION**

The meeting was **called to order at 9:00 a.m.**

**Public Comment:** None

**Discussion item #1:** Request to have Crook County Commissioners write a letter on behalf of Crook County residents asking the Governor and State Legislature to begin border talks:

**Requester:** Matt McCaw

**Details:** Matt McCaw, Executive Director of the Greater Idaho Movement, attended the Work Session to request a letter on behalf of Crook County residents regarding border discussions with the Governor. This proposed state border change requires approval from the state legislature. Considering the passing of Measure 7-86 by Crook County residents in May 2024 and the Oregon Legislature's inaction, the Crook County Commissioners can advocate for the citizens' wishes by urging the legislature to address the issue. The Commissioners have asked the Legal Department to draft a letter for their review and signatures in the coming weeks.

**Discussion item #2:** Jail Camera Update:

**Requester:** Bill Elliott

**Details:** Lieutenant Andrew Rasmussen and Facilities Director James Preuss updated the Commissioners on the jail camera system, which is becoming obsolete. Brody Barker has received two quotes for new jail cameras, priced at \$178K and \$289K. Opting for Pelco would allow the use of most existing cabling and compatibility with the touch screen system. The current system will no longer receive support or updates. A rollout schedule has been coordinated with City IT and the County's IT department. The

Facilities Department will obtain a third quote, and the new system will still fall under the City of Prineville's IT department. Commissioners Barney and Crawford requested more information to ensure software compatibility with the Justice Center. John Eisler recommended discussing this further at the next work session on July 31st to allow time for additional research and obtaining the third quote.

Interim Manager Report: None

Commissioner Updates: None

At 9:09 a.m. the Board of Commissioners read into Executive Session under the following statute(s): ORS 192.660(2)(h) Consulting with Counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed; and ORS 192.660(2)(f) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At the conclusion of the Executive Session, the Board of Commissioners convened back into Open Session, inviting members of the public into the meeting room.

**MOTION** to direct staff to proceed as discussed in the Executive Session. Motion seconded. No discussion. Motion carried 2-0.

There being no further business before the Board of Commissioners, the meeting was **adjourned at 10:13 a.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

**Sarah Puerner / Breyanna Cupp**