



Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting  
May 15, 2019 ~ 10:00am ~ Room 214

5/15/2019 - Minutes

**1. Call To Order & Those Present**

Commissioner Boyd, Commissioner Morris, Commissioner DeGroot; Haley Huffman / Admin Staff; Lyle Ahrens / KOTI; Paul Hanson / KFLS; Renee Wood / Food Policy Committee; Tom Mallams; Richard Marshall / Siskiyou County Water Users; Tess Novotny / Herald & News.

**2. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting**

Approved.

**~~3. Jerry Jones~~**

**4. Tom Mallams**

Tom Mallams addresses the Board and requests the BOCC actively oppose Klamath dam removal. Mr. Mallams said he knows the three of them opposed the ballot measure. Commissioner DeGroot said he did not oppose the ballot measure just the way it was worded. Mr. Mallams discusses the language used in the ballot measure. He said, he knows the Board can't force dam removal not to happen but as Commissioners they have the opportunity to move things forward or stop things from happening. Commissioner Boyd said he agrees, he doesn't think the ship has sailed. He discussed his 100% support of private property rights and that the dams are owned by Pacific Power not the citizens. His biggest issue is how dam removal will effect other properties down the line. He said, it hasn't been proven that there may or may not be negative impacts downstream. He said, until he as a Commissioner feels there may or may not be negative impacts, he doesn't see the urgency today. Mr. Mallams discusses the liability of the sediment alone being in the billions of dollars. Mr. Marshall said Pacific Power is backing away from KRRC because of liability. He said the real issue is who will be liable. He discussed Pacific Corp being a public utility and their responsibility for taking care of consumers. Commissioner Boyd said they have spoken to upper management of Pacific Corp and they said we support the agreement as it stands. He said he agrees Pacific Corp is waffling a bit. Mr. Mallams requested the Board make a unified effort with the Boards of Jackson County and Siskiyou County. Mr. Mallams stated he feels the Board's silence is a form of acceptance. Commissioner DeGroot said he completely disagrees and discusses the differences in how this Board is handling this versus the previous Board. Mr. Mallams gave the Board a letter that he drafted and asked the Board to sign and send it. Commissioner Boyd said they will review the letter and he will call Mr. Mallams and let him know their decision.

**5. Food Policy Council**

Rena Wood and Kelsey Mueller address the Board and update them on changes to the

Klamath Farmers Market Online (KFOM) program. They will be accepting credit cards and SNAP through the website. They are applying for a LFPP grant to help support the growth of local farmers. They hope to use the funds to expand the farmer's market at Sky Lakes by offering local foods and helping local farmers market their goods. They have five farmers lined up to take KFOM from a non-profit to an LLC. They said this is very positive because Blue Zones is only here for a couple more years.

## 6. BOCC

### 1. Letter Of Support For Chiloquin Ridge Riders

Commissioner Morris motions to sign the letter of support for Chiloquin Ridge Rider Snowmobile Club to apply for trail restoration funding from the Forest Service. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

### 2. NACO Voting Credential Form For Annual Conf

Commissioner DeGroot motions to designate Commissioner Kelley Minty Morris as our voting delegate at the NACO annual conference in Las Vegas in July. Commissioner Boyd seconds. Unanimous vote. Approved.

## 7. Other County Business

Commissioner Morris discusses a proposal she has been working on to install a kitchen for staff at the Sheriff's Office. She said the Sheriff worked on a proposal which would cost \$7000-\$8000. Commissioner Boyd voiced concern about the cost and using the maintenance reserve fund for a project at the Sheriff's Office. He also voiced concern about the fact that the Sheriff requested \$30,000 for civil records management software yesterday. He would like the Sheriff's Office to have some skin in the game and contribute part of it. Commissioner DeGroot said he feels it would give those in the swing and graveyard shifts the ability to have something more than a microwave convenience store meal. Commissioner Morris motions to move forward on the kitchen proposal at the Sheriff's Office using funds from the maintenance reserve up to \$8000. Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Commissioner Morris and Commissioner DeGroot vote in favor. Commissioner Boyd votes opposed. Approved.

## 8. Adjournment

10:43am

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