



Board of Commissioners' Work Session Meeting
April 7, 2021 ~ 10:00 am ~ Room 214

4/7/2021 - Minutes

**1. To Watch A Live Stream Of This Meeting, Click The Link Below Or Go To
Www.klamathcounty.org**

2. Call To Order & Those Present

Commissioner DeGroot, Commissioner Boyd, Marcus Henderson/County Counsel,
Deputy's Justman and Lewis/Sheriff's Office

3. Approve Minutes From Last Meeting

Commissioner DeGroot approves minutes from last meeting.

4. Livestock Hearing Sanchez Vs Buchanan

10:01 am Commissioner DeGroot opens hearing, asks if there are any conflicts to declare
- None

Deputy Justman addresses the Board with details of incident, and details of
recommendation.

Raul Sanchez - Victim/sworn - Testifies to the incident.

Commissioner Boyd asks if both dogs were aggressive? Sanchez responds both dogs
appear to be aggressive.

Juan Gonzalez - Representative for Dog Owner Buchanan/caretaker/sworn - Testifies that
the chickens are free range and they come onto the dogs property. indicates the fence is 7
ft tall, but there was a small gap at the bottom of the fence and that's how the dogs got out.

Commissioner Boyd indicates that the pictures show the chickens were killed inside a
coop, thus they would not be considered "free range"

Deputy Justman indicates he was told that the chickens have been allowed to "free
range" before but the day in question shows they were confined to a coop.

Commissioner Boyd explains if chickens are out of a coop then by statute they are not
considered livestock.

Maria Sanchez- Victim/sworn - Testifies that chickens have been free range before, but
been confined for some time, and the dogs have gotten out before and being aggressive.

Raul Sanchez - Testifies that the chickens have not been free range for about a year, further indicates that still to this day they will open the coop during the day, but lock them up at night. Wants to make sure the dogs are kept confined as they are aggressive, is worried about kids in the neighborhood.

Commissioner DeGroot closes evidentiary part of hearing and go into deliberations.

Commissioner Boyd - Motions to use the recommendation from Animal Control 400 fines/fees (\$100.00 impound, \$15.00 per day per dog, \$15.00 microchip fee per dog), \$1000.00 civil penalty, and \$160.00 restitution plus dog owner signing affidavit to keep dogs confined, and an additional \$15.00 per day per dog charge until the dog picked up and requirements met, Commissioner DeGroot seconds.

Commissioner DeGroot warns that if there is another incident that they will be required to put the dogs down.

Unanimous vote. Approved

5. Other County Business

1. Support Letter For JRI Grant

Commissioner Boyd motions to sign letter as presented, Commissioner DeGroot seconds. Unanimous vote Approved.

6. Adjournment

10:26 am

Audio recordings of all proceedings are available at the County Commissioners' office. The meeting facility is handicap accessible. Persons needing materials in alternate format or communication access, should telephone this office at 541-883-5100  (voice/TDD) or the ADA Coordinator at 541-883-4296  at least 48 hours in advance of the scheduled meeting.

Klamath County Commissioners' Weekly Calendar is subject to change without notice.

305 Main Street 2nd Floor, Klamath Falls, OR 97601

E-mail: bocc@klamathcounty.org Website: www.klamathcounty.org