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LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Pursuant to notice made by mailing agendas to news media, a selected list of jurisdictions and individuals in Lane County, a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held.

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June 26, 1991
Following HACSA

REGULAR MEETING
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harris Hall
Main Floor

Chair Jack Roberts presided with Steve Cornacchia, Ellie Dumdi, Marie Frazier and Jerry Rust present. Judy Haldeman, Recording Secretary.

1. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Jim Johnson, County Administrator, commented that there would be two items of Emergency Business.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Jennie Burgner-Buchholtz, 2190 Hayes, commented on the contract award proposed by Solid Waste for portable toilet rentals. She stated that she was representing Bucks Sanitary Service and that this job was offered on bid only and not on the past. She stated that Bucks had provided outstanding service to the County over the past 10 years and that they would stand behind their bid. She asked the Board to keep jobs in Eugene and not Portland.

James Buchholtz, 34 West 30th Street, commented that he was the owner of Bucks Sanitary Service and that Bucks had provided service to Lane County for 10 years with virtually no complaints. He stated that the other bidders on this contract are from Portland and he requested that Lane County accept the lowest bid.

3. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

To be held at 11:10 a.m.

4. EXECUTIVE SESSION as per ORS 192.660

To be held later in the meeting.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

a. Announcements

Johnson announced that the Summer Youth Employment Program through Looking Glass has assigned a supervisor and six summer youth to work on the McKenzie Hatchery site for eight weeks this summer.

Johnson announced that a Housing Trust Fund of \$25 million had been established by the Ways and Means Committee yesterday.

b. PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDER 91-6-26-1/In the Matter of Adopting the 1990-91 Lane County Supplemental Budget #2 and Making Appropriations

Margo Drivas, Assistant County Administrator, presented this item to the Board. She stated that this supplemental budget was required to implement policies that had been put in place by the Board during the year. Roberts opened the Public Hearing. There being no one present who wished to testify, Roberts closed the Public Hearing. MOTION: Approval of Supplemental Budget #2. Dumdi MOVED, Frazier SECONDED. VOTE: 4-1, Cornacchia dissenting.

c. ORDER 91-6-26-2/In the Matter of Transfers Between Appropriation Levels, Departments and Funds for FY 1990-91

Drivas presented this item to the Board. MOTION: Approval of ORDER 91-6-26-2. Frazier MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0.

d. PUBLIC HEARING AND ORDER 91-6-26-3/In the Matter of Adopting the 1991-92 Lane County Budget, Making Appropriations and Levying Taxes

Roberts opened the Public Hearing.

Kimberly Kauffman, 91740 Winnebago Street, stated that she works as a volunteer for Save Our Ecosystems in Eugene. She distributed the animal damage report from the United States Department of Agriculture and a copy of her testimony against the predator control contribution by Lane County (see material on file).

Barbara Kelley, 407 Blair Boulevard, Director of Save Our Ecosystems, testified that she was opposed to the line item called predator control. She stated that she is opposed to cruelty and would recommend the Guard Dog Program as an alternative to trapping.

Dianna Cook, 864 Nantucket Avenue, testified that she was opposed to the cruel and thoughtless federal trapping program. She stated that the large land owners should deal with this on a personal basis and that public money should not be spent in this regard.

Hudson Dodd, 407 Blair Boulevard, stated that it was unconscionable for lawmakers to consider spending tax payers' money to inflict

unnecessary agony on innocent animals through the predator control program. This government employee provides a service for landowners at taxpayers' expense. He stated that there were alternatives such as guard dogs, fencing and taste aversion which could be used in place of the current trapping.

There being no one else present who wished to testify, Roberts closed the Public Hearing.

Frazier asked if there would be a carry-over of unexpended funds in the Tourism Special Projects budget. Cornacchia commented that it was his intention that any left over money would be carried over. Drivas commented that the final receipts for this year are not in, but it was expected that there would be money carried forward. Roberts observed that if this budget were approved today, that would not inhibit or prejudice the Board's ability to carry over the unexpended portion from the Special Projects and add this to the amount for next year. Drivas stated that this assumption was correct and that any additional funds would be taken care of in the first supplemental of the year.

Frazier commented on the appropriateness of how the County was charged for services and dues by Lane Regional Air Pollution Authority (LRAPA). She would like to have a better determination of the actual service provided by LRAPA to the County next year. Johnson stated that a new agreement will be drawn up soon and that LRAPA is revising its master agreement which will come to the Board for approval.

Rust commented that in the Budget Committee proceedings, he had voted no on the predator control position as he felt that it was inappropriate to subsidize an industry in this way. He stated that he felt this program would continue to draw attention and would be phased out in time.

MOTION: Adoption of the 1991-92 Lane County Budget. Rust MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED. Dumdi stated that there may be a potential conflict of interest on her part with regard to predator control. VOTE: 5-0.

Frazier suggested that the County consider an incentive approach to responsible spending and saving by departments in future years and said she would like to have the budget process begin sooner. She suggested that there be a year-end review of new positions to determine whether those positions should become permanent. She stated that she would like to have further discussion on the Employee Assistance Coordinator, Human Resources Director, Health Promotion Coordinator and Assistant County Administrator positions based on critical need and long-range planning. Dumdi commented that she would support Frazier in her desire to begin the process earlier and proposed that long-range planning be started in September. Cornacchia commented that he liked the idea of incentives for

departments with regard to the budget. Roberts commented that he would support starting earlier on the budget. Johnson stated that there would be a retreat on July 1 with the department managers to discuss next year's budget.

10. EMERGENCY BUSINESS

ORDER 91-6-26-34/In the Matter of Approval of Application to the Oregon Department of Transportation for Funds to Finance a Deputy Sheriff for Patrol of the Lane County Portion of the Dunes Recreation Area. Application for Funds in the Amount of \$90,786

MOTION: Approval. Cornacchia MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED. Cornacchia stated that there is value to society to spend some time viewing what occurs with these vehicles in this area of the County. He stated that there was a need for control and that this was the time and place for this action. He commended Sergeant Dell Hackett for his memorandum and for the opportunity to apply for these funds. Dumdi stated that this issue was brought to her by the ATV people as they were concerned about the situation and this was seen as a positive step. VOTE: 5-0. Dumdi clarified that these funds come from ATV license fees and from gas tax revenue.

5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

This item taken at time certain.

f. Briefing on Timber Situation

Bob Warren, Aide to Congressman DeFazio, stated that Lane County was in a bad situation in terms of the timber supply. He stated that there were currently three timber bills in Congress; HR1590, HR842 and the Industry/Labor Bill. He stated that there would be a fourth bill on June 27 from AuCoin, DeFazio, Kopetski and Wyden. All of these bills identify the need for protecting old growth forests. He commented that the administration had opposed all bills introduced to date. He distributed a memorandum from the Oregon Natural Resources Council and a graph on annual timber harvests. Warren stated that he would keep in touch with the Board on this issue.

This meeting recessed at 10:50 a.m. to reconvene at 11:03 a.m.

3. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

Rust announced that he had visited Siltcoos Lake last week with Dumdi and that they found the water quality good. He stated that Dunes City had asked to be allowed to comment on County applications in the Dunes City area. Dumdi commented that there is no Urban Growth Boundary in Dunes City.

Dumdi announced that she had heard the Irkutsk choral group yesterday and that they were sensational.

Dumdi announced that she and Rust had visited Goodwill Industries yesterday to discuss their recycling program.

Roberts thanked all staff for getting this budget together and thanked Sheriff Bob McManus for the quick action of the department on the recent homicide.

Frazier announced that riparian issues will be discussed at a meeting tonight in Leaburg.

6. PUBLIC WORKS

- a. ORDER 91-6-26-7/In the Matter of Awarding a Contract for Portable Toilet Rentals and Service and Authorizing the County Administrator to Execute the Contract

Mike Turner, Solid Waste Manager, presented this item to the Board. Turner recommended that the County establish a policy not to do business with known felons. Rust asked if there had been performance problems with Bucks Sanitary Service and Turner stated that there had been no performance problems; that his objection was based on appearance.

Cornacchia stated that he would reject the fact that people should be penalized beyond what the Court has ordered and asked what threat there would be to the public if the County accepted this bid.

Roberts stated that the risk is from the standpoint of deterrence for acts of this sort. He commented that it would be overly charitable to classify a Class A or Class C felony as simply a mistake, and he did feel that it was appropriate to set a time limit and not condone this type of behavior.

Dumdi commented that this penalty was imposed in March of 1990 and Bucks has been performing in a responsible manner since that time. She stated that the County as a whole has taken a position of being supportive of bringing offenders back into society to act as responsible citizens and she would have no problem with this contract being awarded to Bucks.

Rust stated that he believed in the competitive bid system and in the lowest, responsive bid. He stated that there would have to be performance problems or continued violations to move him from this position. He stated that it was not appropriate for the civil side of government to lay on additional penalties once the Court system has imposed its fines and penalties on the party. MOTION: To approve this order and award this contract to the lowest responsive bidder. Rust MOVED, Cornacchia SECONDED. VOTE: 4-1, Roberts dissenting.


5. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

g. PRESENTATION/Awards to Cookin' Up Kids Art Show

The Board presented gift certificates to the following children who participated in the Employees Children Art Show:

Mariah Grant, Morgan C. Daugherty, Alec Swindling, Lee White, Alexandria Phillipe, Emily Thompsen, Toby Thompsen, Loren Hill, Sara White, Michael Kegley, Sarah Ratti, Jacob DeCourt, Heidi Gilbert, Dyan Paiement, Christine Paiement, Kimberly Paiement, Matthew Kegley, Bob McGinley, Kimberly Free, Devin Paladeni, Simon Ratti, Justin Simas, Angela Kegley, Blake Haldeman and Michelle Reed.

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.


Judy Haldeman
Recording Secretary