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Jackson County (JC) Mental Health Advisory Board Meeting – 10/5/15 – Susan Roberts:

A quorum was present. There was a report on the new **Community Connect Network** whose goal is to make a complicated county social service program easier to use and simpler to coordinate client care with other agencies while maintaining privacy. (Note: On 11/5/15 Commissioner Dyer reported on this meeting and mentioned a success story when a plan was developed for a frequent user under this program and she was diverted to mental health court instead of regular court.) There was a grant of \$168,000 obtained to help with the costs of setting it up. Matt Vorderstrasse is stepping down as chair and John Watson will serve as chair next year.

City of Eagle Point Planning Commission – Diane Schockey 10/20/15:

There were three hearings.

- (1) The Idlewood Subdivision conditional use permit for high density single family homes, previously permitted for apartments, was unanimously approved.
- (2) Planning Action -- Reactivation and Extension Change to EP City Rules to give authority to the Planning Director to reactive or extend previously granted planning application that had expired instead of making the applicant re-apply. The proposal was modified to require notice of reactivation to affected residents. The rule change was approved with the modification.
- (3) Planning Action – To Allow an Electronic Message Sign for the City of EP -- was unanimously approved for presentation to the EP City Council with additional legal advice regarding who else might become eligible for an electronic sign and the legal ramifications.

Jackson County Commissioner Meetings:

10/20/2015 – by Joyce Chapman: All present.

RVCOG (Rogue Valley Council of Government) Plans for Grants Pass Senior Meals Facility by Michael Cavallaro, Executive Director: They are going to purchase a property in Grants Pass because they are being kicked out of their present location. No money from Jackson County will be used for the purchase. He went on to describe the arrangements in detail and they will apply for Community Development Block Grant (CDGB) money. **2. Forest Service Draft Decision on Motor Vehicle Use** by Rob MacWhorter, Forest Supervisor Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest: MacWhorter gave a lengthy explanation of the history of roads, funding sources for maintenance and types/use of roads. The majority of roads, while on public lands, are not public right of ways, they are used for resource management. He emphasized that public roads are not part of this discussion to close roads. He described efforts being made to allow campers to reach dispersed closing the entire forest; no



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private landowner will be landlocked; the Sheriff will be allowed access for fire, search & rescue, law enforcement, etc. without prior permission. Roberts objected to the plan; Dyer was not sure he liked the plan; Breidenthal wanted to instruct the staff to prepare an MOU, but after discussion, changed it to instructing staff to develop recommendations to the Board on objections to the plan regarding administrative and legal standards.

Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest: MacWhorter says the plan for the forest will be revised and mentioned “cooperating agency status.” Jordan objected and insisted on “coordinating agency status” (these are legal terms apparently). County Counsel Benton will come back to the Board with an agenda item on “coordinating.” **3.**

Newell Barber Field Recognition Project -- Bern Case, Airport Director, reported on the efforts being made to identify the exact location of the Newell Barber Field and to provide recognition such as a plaque or small monument of some kind. He thinks the location is near Walmart, the Marriott and Rogue Credit Union. **Delisting of Wolves in Oregon** -- Roberts wants to encourage the delisting of wolves in all of Oregon. After discussion County Counsel Benton was asked to write a letter in support of delisting wolves for the Board to sign.

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10/29/2015 – by Jan Craigie:

All present. 1. **Chairman’s Award** – Roberts suggest Joyce H?? (Last name inaudible) who is active in volunteer work and wrote a grant for the Library. The decision will be left to Chairman Breidenthal. **2. Input from County Administrator – Public Safety and Community Justice** have separate funding but the State has provided a \$30 million grant over 2 years for them and has very specific spending rules. The State’s goal is to keep more inmates in the counties and fewer in State facilities. **JC Investment Policy** – No change recommended. JC earns 1.5% which is the highest in the State. **Body Cams** – JC is a minority signer with Medford on a grant for body cameras. Medford will get \$51,742 and JC Sheriff will get \$18,000 for body cameras. The **Audit Committee** has finished an update and are dismayed that many costs are double or triple in some areas. Jordan explained that this first draft did not capture costs especially needed by the Sheriff for overtime. This is a 5 year review project and the Sheriff feels this is a bad time for an audit. The **District Attorney** will add .5 FTE to its staff.