

**WEEKLY BUSINESS SESSION – January 6, 2016**

9:00 a.m. – Anne G. Basker Auditorium  
600 N.W. Sixth Street, Grants Pass, OR 97526

Present: Keith Heck, Chair; Cheryl Walker, Vice-Chair; and Simon G. Hare, Commissioner; Wendy Watkins, Recorder

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Pursuant to notice through the media and in conformance with the Public Meeting Law, Keith Heck, Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Items discussed were as follows:

**1. ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS IN CONSIDERATION OF:**

**BOARD DECISIONS UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS WERE MADE AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT WAS RECEIVED**

**a. Approval of Order No. 2016-001; In the Matter of Appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair for the Board of County Commissioners for 2016 (One original Order filed with the County Clerk)**

Commissioner Heck mentioned this Order is to clarify that Commissioner Walker will be seated as Chair and Commissioner Heck as Vice Chair in 2016.

**2. REQUESTS/COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: (Each person will be given three (3) minutes to speak)**

Larry Ford, Grants Pass, spoke about cannabis tax and his dissatisfaction of less than 20% going to the criminal justice system.

Ron Smith, Grants Pass, spoke about private property rights.

Sandi Cassanelli, Merlin, spoke about her dissatisfaction to Executive Sessions and Elected Officials paying into PERS.

Judy Ahrens, Grants Pass, spoke about her respect for people and would like them start being accountable for their actions.

Bill Hill, Merlin, spoke about his appreciation to Commissioner Walker being Chair in 2016.

Mark Seligman, Selma, spoke about the recall of a Commissioner.

Stuart Senate, Grants Pass, spoke about the recall of a Commissioner.

Dale Matthews, Grants Pass, spoke about Commissioner's Ethics violations.

Pat Fahey, Grants Pass, spoke about his resignation from the Budget Committee.

Mike Jones, Grants Pass, spoke about his dissatisfaction to how public comments are handled.

Judy Reynolds, Josephine County, spoke about her dissatisfaction with the personal attacks on the Commissioners.

James Ward, Josephine County, spoke about the recall of a Commissioner.

**Board Discussion and Action – Agenda Item 1(a)**

Commissioner Hare made a motion to approve Order No. 2016-001; In the Matter of Appointment of the Chair and Vice Chair for the Board of County Commissioners for 2016, seconded by Commissioner Walker. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner Hare – yes, Commissioner Walker – yes, and Commissioner Heck – yes.

**3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

**a. Minutes (Draft minutes are available for viewing in the Board's Office)**

**Land Use Hearing – Brimstone – December 7, 2015**

**General Discussion – December 8, 2015**

**Weekly Business Session – December 9, 2015**

**General Discussion – December 9, 2015**

**County Administration Workshop – December 10, 2015**

**General Discussion – December 10, 2015**

**General Discussion – December 15, 2015**

**Weekly Business Session – December 16, 2015**

**Executive Session Meeting (Open Session) – December 16, 2015**

**Board Discussion and Action:**

Commissioner Walker made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar Agenda Item 3(a) as listed, seconded by Commissioner Hare. Upon roll call vote, motion passed 3-0; Commissioner Hare – yes, Commissioner Walker – yes, and Commissioner Heck – yes.

4. **OTHER: (ORS 192.640(1))** “. . . notice shall include a list of the principal subjects anticipated to be considered at the meeting, but this requirement shall not limit the ability of a governing body to consider additional subjects.”)

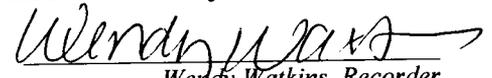
None reported.

5. **MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS:**

Commissioner Hare read his apology statement to the public.

Commissioner Heck announced two available advisory board positions and Commissioner Hare said Parks has an advisory position available as well.

Weekly Business Session was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

  
Wendy Watkins, Recorder