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8-18, 2004  
Tassi O'Neil  
County Clerk

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
FOR TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON

In the Matter of Calling for an Election )  
for a Five-Year Veterans' Services )  
Operating Levy )

RESOLUTION

#R-04 - 19

This matter came before the Board of Commissioners for Tillamook County, Oregon, on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of August 2004, at the request of the Tillamook County Assessor, Treasurer and Board of Commissioners

The Board, being fully apprized of the representations of the above named person(s), the records and files herein, finds as follows:

1. Tillamook County employs a veterans' service officer to assist over 4300 local veterans, whose military service spans from World War II to Iraq.
2. This assistance has returned to local vets, or their widows, more than \$6.5 million annually in federal benefits.
3. The veterans' service officer helps vets initiate paperwork and disability claims, process appeals and transports them in his own car to the VA hospital and other appointments.
4. The County veterans' program is one of the few county services not required by law.
5. Consequently, funding within the County budget has varied widely over the years with monies left over after funding other required programs.
6. It is estimated that the \$.065 per \$1000 of assessed value would raise \$187,020 in 2005-06; \$192,631 in 2006-07; \$198,409 in 2007-08; \$204,362 in 2008-09; and \$210,493 in 2009-10.
7. A \$200,000 home would pay \$13.00 annually .
8. Funds raised the first year would be used to purchase a transport van and pay for a part-time driver, a part-time clerical assistant, office rental, utilities, phone and operating supplies.
9. The amounts needed in years 2 through 5 would be determined as part of the annual County budget; consequently, it may not be necessary to levy the full amount in those years..
10. During FY 03-04, the County veterans' service officer was instrumental in recovering more than \$6,419,000.00 for local veterans or their surviving spouses, for service-connected disabilities; non-service-connected pensions; surviving spouse pensions or

educational allowances. All such medical benefits directly offset Medicaid payments, thereby making those Medicaid funds available to others.

11. It would be in the best interests of the veterans who served our County honorably, their widows and the citizens of Tillamook County, that a ballot measure be submitted to voters on November 2, 2004, as to whether Tillamook County shall levy \$.065 per \$1000 assessed value for County veterans services beginning July 1, 2005 for five years.

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that:**

12. The Tillamook County Board of Commissioners directs that the Tillamook County Clerk shall place on the November 2, 2004 election ballot the measure attached hereto as Exhibit "A", incorporated herein by reference.
13. The Chairperson is authorized to sign the election ballot measure and file it with the County Clerk.

DATED this 18 day of August, 2004.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR  
TILLAMOOK COUNTY, OREGON**

Paul A. Hanneman  
Paul A. Hanneman, Chairperson

Charles J. Hurliman  
Charles J. Hurliman, Vice Chairperson

Tim Josi  
Tim Josi, Commissioner

Aye	Nay	Absent/Abstain
<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>1</u>
<u>✓</u>	<u>_____</u>	<u>1</u>

ATTEST: Tassi O'Neil  
County Clerk

BY: Nancy Weyant  
Special Deputy

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

William K. Sargent  
William K. Sargent, County Counsel



NOTICE OF COUNTY MEASURE ELECTION

ORS 250.035  
ORS 250.041  
ORS 250.175  
ORS 254.103  
ORS 254.465

Exhibit "A"  
TILLAMOOK COUNTY  
(Name of County)

Notice is hereby given that on November 2, 2004  
(Date of Election)

A measure election will be held in Tillamook County County, Oregon.  
(Name of County)

The following shall be the ballot title of the measure to be submitted to the county's voters on this date:

CAPTION (10 Words)

FIVE YEAR VETERAN'S SERVICE OPERATING LOCAL OPTION TAX

QUESTION (20 Words)

Shall Tillamook County levy \$.065 per \$1,000 assessed value for county veteran's services beginning 7-1-05, for five years?

This measure may cause property taxes to increase more than three percent.

SUMMARY (175 Words)

Tillamook County employs a veteran's service officer to assist over 4300 local veterans, whose military service spans from World War II to Iraq. This assistance has returned to local vets, or their widows, more than \$6.5 million annually in federal benefits. The veteran's officer helps vets initiate paperwork and disability claims, process appeals, and transports them in his own car to the VA hospital and other appointments. The County veteran's program is one of the few county services not required by law. Consequently, funding within the county budget has varied widely over the years with monies left over after funding other required programs.

It is estimated that the \$.065 per \$1,000 of assessed value will raise \$187,020 in 2005-06; \$192,631 in 2006-07; \$198,409 in 2007-08; \$204,362 in 2008-09; and \$210,493 in 2009-10. The estimated tax cost for this measure is an ESTIMATE ONLY based on the best information available from the county assessor at the time of the estimate. A \$200,000 home would pay \$13.00 annually

Funds raised the first year would be used to purchase a transport van and pay for a part time driver, a part time clerical assistant, office rental, utilities, phone and operating supplies. The amounts needed in years 2 through 5 would be determined as part of the annual county budget. Consequently, it may not be necessary to levv the full amount in those years.

The following authorized county official hereby certifies the above ballot title is true and complete.

Signature of authorized county official (not required to be notarized)

Date signed

Printed name of authorized county official

Title

