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BOARDMAN HEARS EXTENSION SERVICE PRESENTATION

During the August 1st meeting, the Boardman City Council heard a presentation from the OSU Extension Service regarding the formation of new special districts in Morrow and Umatilla Counties. The Extension Services of Morrow and Umatilla Counties are promoting the formation of a new Extension Service District in each county, and asked the city council to support putting it on the May 2018 ballot for voter's consideration. They proposed a draft resolution stating the City of Boardman supports the initiation of the formation of the new district. The Extension Services plan to ask the voters of Morrow and Umatilla Counties to approve the formation of the new districts with a \$0.33 per thousand assessment rate, generating an estimated 1.5 million dollars a year. Because of the way special districts receive their taxes, Councilors' chief concern is the loss of revenue to the City of Boardman if this new special district is formed. At the September 5th council meeting, Councilors will further discuss the proposal and a resolution will be decided on at that time.

In other City business, the Council approved a resolution to apply for a special city allotment from the State of Oregon for road improvements on North Olson road. Councilors also ratified a labor contract with the public works and clerical departments. The city's engineering firm, Anderson Perry and Associates, presented information to the council regarding the city's master water and wastewater plan. The council has scheduled a special meeting to further discuss the water and wastewater master plan on Monday, August 7th at 6:30pm.

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