

## MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Management Update Minutes

# Monday, April 19, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem 5th Floor, Suite 5231, Commissioners Boardroom

## **ATTENDANCE:**

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis, Laurie Steele, Jan Fritz, Jane Vetto, Tamra Goettsch, Brian Nicholas, Brian May, Scott Norris, Kathleen Silva, Jessica Stanton, Matt Lawyer, Barb Young, Lisa Trauernicht, Jolene Kelley, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

Jan Fritz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

#### INFORMATIONAL:

# **Tire Recycling Contract Update**

- Brian May

# Summary of presentation:

- The contract will be split up to two transfer stations;
- The rates were put in place in 2016;
- This contract will identify the legal entity, which is United Disposal for North Marion Recycling & Transfer Station and Capital Recycling and Disposal for Salem-Keizer Transfer Station;
- Public Works will pay them to do the hauling;
- The rates have not changed;
- The intent is to have another five-year agreement and move it forward;
- Last year, the county recycled more than 20,000 tires at the two facilities;
- The program has been working very well;
- The average disposal cost per customer is \$11.90;
- the tires go to Molalla Tire and Disposal:
  - o They grind them for a fuel source; or
  - Used for a new track.

## **Environmental Monitoring Contract Update**

- Brian May

## Summary of presentation:

- This is required monitoring by the Department of Environmental Quality for the landfills at North Marion and Browns Island;
- This contract covers the groundwater monitoring portion;
- Samples are pulled twice a year, once in the fall, and once in the spring:
  - o There is a split sample taken once a year with DEQ present:
    - DEQ takes a sample and the county takes a sample.

- Data management review and regulatory evaluation is included in the contract, which is compiled into an annual report and sent to the county and DEO:
- This contract has been in place since 2014;
- Will have to put this contract out for bid and solicitation next year; and
- The contract extension is for \$135,780.

# **Review Emergency Ordinances to Support Wildfire Recovery Efforts**

- Brian Nicholas, Scott Norris

# Summary of presentation:

- The proposed ordinances originated from the Sheriff's Office to address issues they are seeing up the canyon;
- Sheriff's Office staff discovered that Linn County has already implemented similar ordinances:
  - o Marion County modeled their ordinances after Linn County's.
- These ordinances will help supplement rules and policies that will be handled in the county's Justice Court;
- The ordinances will be brought before the board at Board Session for final approval;
- This gives the Sheriff's Office some teeth for enforcement up the canyon;
- The Sheriff's Office will start with education first, then enforcement;
- There have been issues with trespassing on properties; and
- There are illegal dumping issues.

#### **Board discussion:**

- The commissioners would like more public outreach on this issue;
- The commissioners believe that constituents may misread these ordinances and it is not intended to revoke their freedoms:
- The commissioners would like the area to be included in the ordinance where it would be enforced;
- Would like the citations to be tracked so the Justice Court can be notified of the influx of court appearances;
- An ordinance can have a sunset clause:
  - o The commissioners would like a sunset of two years; and
  - o After the two years, the commissioners will review the ordinances to determine if they are necessary to make permanent.
- All four ordinances will be amended with a sunset clause and geographic location where people will not be able to go target shooting.

#### Ice Storm/Beachie Creek/COVID-19 Update

-All

## Summary of presentation:

# Danielle Bethell:

- The commissioners attended the North Fork Open House on Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>:
  - o There were a couple of complaints regarding septic inspections:
    - Mr. Nicholas will follow-up with Brandon Reich.

- o The outreach will begin for the gate this week:
  - Commissioner Bethell would have wanted more outreach before the open house;
  - Public Works starts small with a project like this:
    - Public Works will send out more communication and direct mailings to the neighbors.
  - First responders will receive a push button system for the gate.
- On Sunday, FEMA came to Detroit for a meeting for the community center:
  - Lance and Beth from FEMA attended;
  - o Beth will be merging the four data lists so no one gets missed:
    - She will be interfacing with state and federal forest lands, specifically about the timber that is above the homes on the butte side of Detroit:
      - Homeowners are afraid that a lightening storm will start another fire.
    - Beth has offered her services for any needs the county has.

#### Brian Nicholas:

- Attended the weekly meeting with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) on Thursday:
  - o ECC has three timber crews working:
    - Still on Highway 22 corridor; and
    - Will be on North Fork corridor in three weeks.
  - o Have four crews working on debris removal:
    - Working on getting a 5<sup>th</sup> crew to focus on commercial sites;
    - There are 73 sites that have been completed; and
    - There are 430 rights of entry that are still in the tracker waiting for cleanup.
  - o If there are constituent issues with ODOT and the way they are cleaning up properties, contact Chuck Williams:
    - He is the county liaison; and
    - Tries to find a solution for constituents.
  - o ODOT has the authority to go on anyone's property and cut down trees they deem to be a hazard to the roadway.
- Mr. Nicholas will bring Richard Herrin, the county's FEMA representative, to a future Management Update for introductions.

# Tamra Goettsch

- The grant for the SIT team was submitted last week:
  - o Will know in a couple of weeks if they will be awarded funding.

## Laurie Steele:

- There are children's books that have been donated to the fire victims;
- They have been set up at Anthony Hall;
- There are a lot leftover and asking for direction on what to do with the rest of the books; and
- The commissioners suggested reaching out to the camps up the canyon to see if they would be interested in them.

#### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

# Summary of presentation:

- Senate Bill 464 is posted for a public hearing and work session:
  - Assumed that it would only be Senator Girod testifying at the work session;
  - Commissioner Cameron will testify at 1:00 p.m. today;
  - The Department of Revenue may testify there might be a fiscal impact to them:
    - The county's tax collector will be doing all of the work; and
    - There should not be any impact to the Department of Revenue.
  - Under the fiscal impact section that Ms. Young created, the current law under the Act of God, there is a refund of \$389,000 from the applications that have been completed:
    - There were 946 applications for refund:
      - 406 of those did not receive a refund:
        - Assessed value was still less than the real market value.
  - o The League of Oregon Cities are not in favor of this bill:
    - They keep addressing the issue of fairness, but any county can opt into this program.
  - o This bill is less than a one percent financial impact to special districts.
- SB 405 Non-conforming use:
  - o Will have a public hearing on Tuesday, April 20th; and
  - o Work session on Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>.
- The rebalance bill has not been signed by the governor.

Meeting adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: Kristy Witherell Reviewed by: Melissa Rounds