

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, May 7, 2014
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room
555 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT: Commissioner Sam Brentano and Commissioner Janet Carlson. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Gloria Roy as county counsel and Kim Hulett as recorder.

PRESENTATION

SEDCOR 3rd Quarter 2013-2014 Activity Report – Chad Freeman, Nick Harville

SEDCOR President and CEO Chad Freeman thanked the commissioners for their support and reviewed SEDCOR's 3rd Quarter 2013-2014 Activity Report (Attachment A). Mr. Freeman said economic growth has been slow; however, local companies such as Henningsen Cold Storage Co., Garmin AT, Inc., and GK Machine, Inc. are constructing new buildings and hiring. Mr. Freeman said SEDCOR participated in the Natural Products Expo in Anaheim, California, which is one of the largest food shows in the world. He said 70,000 food industry people were looking for new products and SEDCOR was able to showcase local products to the rest of the world. Mr. Freeman said leads are up 30 percent from the same time last year and that he expects to see this trend continue and on April 2, SEDCOR hosted an economic business forum, featuring Rich Karlgaard, the publisher of Forbes magazine

SEDCOR Business Retention and Expansion Manager Nick Harville said that SEDCOR Construction Alliance (SCA) participated in the 11th Annual Willamette Valley Construction Career Day where over 450 students had an opportunity to get hands-on experience in the construction industry. He said SCA will also be assisting the Oregon Forest Research Institute with the "Raise the Rafters" event on May 21, for the Oregon Garden's Discovery Pavilion. Mr. Harville said with assistance from Oregon State University's Rural Studies, SEDCOR has started its Community Business Retention and Expansion Strategies Program. He said the program provides communities the framework to create a five-year strategic plan and Stayton, Sublimity, Aumsville, and Keizer will be the first cities to participate. He added that Stayton Sublimity and Aumsville will be handled as one community. Mr. Harville said he would be attending the Eggs to Education event tomorrow which promotes Agri-Business Council of Oregon's Adopt a Farmer program.

Commissioner Brentano said an article in today's paper reported that homebuilding in the area is increasing. He asked if SEDCOR agrees. Mr. Harville said inventory is down and homebuilding has increased. He said SEDCOR is training tradespeople so that the workforce is ready.

Commissioner Carlson asked if SEDCOR had received feedback on the economic business forum. Mr. Freeman said the feedback has been great and SEDCOR would like to do something similar in the future. Commissioner Carlson confirmed that SEDCOR works with GROW North Santiam.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT

BUSINESS SERVICES

Rejection of all bids received on December 10, 2013 for the Court Annex HVAC project.

HEALTH

Approve receipt of up to \$150,000 from the Oregon Health Authority Addictions and Mental Health Division to support the county's mental health program for individuals.

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve amendment #3 to amend the intergovernmental agreement between Marion County, Oregon Department of Transportation, and the city of Aumsville for the 1st Street Safety Improvements Project.

Approve amendment #2 to amend the intergovernmental agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation for bike lanes and sidewalks on Brown Road NE.

PUBLIC WORKS – PLANNING

Approve a resolution initiating amendments to the Marion County Comprehensive Plan to concur in an amendment to the Salem/Keizer Urban Growth Boundary for land at Keizer Rapids Park, and schedule a public hearing for June 11, 2014.

Commissioner Brentano introduced Keizer Community Development Director Nate Brown to discuss the resolution relating to the Keizer Rapids Park project. Mr. Brown said that the Keizer City Council held a public hearing on the urban growth boundary (UGB) amendment on Monday where the comments were overwhelming positive and no opposition was expressed. He added that the neighborhood associations have also expressed their support. Mr. Brown said the City of Keizer looks forward to working with Marion County on the project and the park will be a positive influence in the entire region.

Commissioner Carlson explained that the resolution is necessary to bring land that currently belongs to Marion County, into the UGB so that it can be annexed by the City of Keizer. Mr. Brown added that the plan is to bring the active half of the park with the playing fields and play facilities into the UGB and inside the Keizer city limits so it can be developed as an urban level development. Commissioner Carlson said this relates somewhat to the Keizer Rapids Park community build project which will be a large playground for the entire region. Mr. Brown

agreed and said the community build project is one of those urban levels of improvement that the City of Keizer is trying to accommodate.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of the consent calendar. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

ACTION

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1. Consider approval of a proclamation designating May 2014 as Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Marion County. – DHS-Child Welfare Foster Parent Recruiter Alicia Kueny

Oregon Department of Human Services (DHS) Child Welfare Foster Parent Recruiter Alicia Kueny said there are approximately 700 children in foster care in Marion County and DHS can best serve these children and their foster caregivers by joining with others in the community to assist them. She introduced local business leader Dick Withnell of Withnell Motor Company, Sam Skillern of the Salem Leadership Foundation, and Marion County Community Services Director and Family Preservation Action Team member Tamra Goettsch.

Ms. Goettsch explained that the Foster Care Action Team was created in 2005 by the Marion County Children and Families Commission (CFC) to combat the soaring number of children entering foster care as a result of the methamphetamine epidemic. She said today, CFC is looking at how to preserve families and team's name has changed to the Family Preservation Action Team (FPAT). Ms. Goettsch said foster parents are critical in the healthy development of foster children and CFC supports DHS's efforts to create a community approach and strategic plan to address the need.

Dick Withnell said in 2005 the private sector band together to find a solution to crime caused by methamphetamine use. He said the unintended consequences of that effort was the rising number of children entering the foster care system. He said DHS Interim Manager Brian Johnson, Judge Pamela Abernethy, Marion County Board of Commissioners, Sam Skillern representing the faith community, and others rallied together to recruit foster parents and the community responded. He said the Casey Foundation acknowledged Marion County for its successful foster parent recruitment efforts and community partners are here today to acknowledge the foster care parents and their mentoring or sponsorship that make the difference in a community. He thanked the board for acknowledging Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Marion County.

Sam Skillern said in 2005 and 2006 he and Billy Cordarro of DHS created the "Leaning into Foster Care" presentation that was used to recruit 200 new foster parents. From that recruitment effort came Foster Parent Night Out, Royal Family Kids Camp, Teen Reach Adventure Camp, A Forever Home for Everyone, Fostering Hope, and Safe Families for Children. Mr. Skillern said there are enumerable examples of agencies, governments, churches, and businesses coming together to provide prevention, intervention, and restoration (PIR) to reduce the likelihood that children will enter foster care and to heal and restore children and families in the community.

He said PIR works and the number of children in foster care has gone from 1,200 to 700. Mr. Skillern thanked Catholic Community Services for their work and explained that there are over 100 churches throughout Marion County that are engaged in significant strategic alliances with their neighborhoods, schools, business community, DHS, and county on a variety of strategies and Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Marion County is an opportunity to call attention to the issue and the proclamation will help get the word out.

Alicia Kueny introduced Desiree Hilliard, a DHS certified foster parent. Ms. Hilliard spoke of the challenges she and her husband have faced as foster parents and that donations such as Trailblazers tickets provide the children with opportunities that they might not otherwise have. Ms. Hilliard praised the Foster Parent Night Out program and the children's mentors who encourage the children to take responsibility for their actions. She said the community has been very supportive and Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Marion County gives awareness to the community and will hopefully raise people's curiosity to investigate becoming a foster parent.

Ms. Kueny introduced Hannah, a former foster youth. Hannah explained the importance of having a supportive foster family and that foster children feel safe, secure and welcome while in foster care. She said donations are appreciated, especially tickets to events that a foster child can do with their foster family. Hannah said the events are fun activities that foster children normally do not get to do and even though it seems like such a little thing, it is something a foster child remembers. Ms. Kueny said during the month of May the community partners would like to celebrate the healing relationship that foster parents provide to children in Marion County who have experienced abuse or neglect and let the community know there is still a significant need for foster parents in Marion County. She said people interested in becoming a foster parent can call DHS at (503)378-4490.

Commissioner Carlson said April was Child Abuse Prevention Month in Marion County and foster care is another important component in keeping children safe and having a healthy community. She said in recent years DHS has had a larger focus on relative care, but when relatives are not available there is a need for foster families who can take these children in and give them a loving home. Commissioner Carlson shared her own experience serving as a foster parent and said the experience had a positive impact on her life. She said the Marion County Fair gave over 1,000 tickets to foster children last year and will give tickets again this year. Commissioner Carlson asked for the leading reason children enter the foster care system. Ms. Kueny said non-abuse neglect where a child's needs are not being met and their safety is under threat.

Commissioner Brentano thanked the speakers for all the good work they do for the community.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of a proclamation designating May 2014 as Foster Parent Appreciation Month in Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners then read the proclamation.

2. Consider approval of a resolution in support of a water supply and storage study for the cities of Silverton and Mt. Angel. – Eileen Stein and Scott Walker

Mt. Angel City Administrator Eileen Stein explained that declining water levels and a desire to improve Mt. Angel’s drinking water have led to the city considering a shared aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) system with the City of Silverton. She said the resolution is to support the cities’ application for state grant funds to study the feasibility of a shared ASR system.

Silverton City Counselor Scott Walker said a 2009 Water Master Plan indicated that the number one priority for the City of Silverton was more storage for treated water. He said he toured the City of Salem’s ASR system that stores approximately 550 million gallons of water underground and explained that storing water underground is less expensive and quite expansive. Mr. Walker said experts have examined the geology of the proposed area and its prospects are good for a successful ASR system. He said the City of Silverton has first rights on Abiqua Creek of approximately 6.5 million gallons per day and first rights on the water stored in the Silverton Reservoir; however, the city still requires storage for treated water. He said the cities of Mt. Angel and Silverton are both participating financially and are requesting that the state provide 50 percent of the cost of the grant. He said the feasibility study would look into the policy questions, cost issues, stream flows, and making sure the project is respectful to environmental issues.

Commissioner Carlson said it is a worthy project and she supports it. Commissioner Brentano asked about the mechanics of the ASR system. Mr. Walker explained that Mt. Angel and Silverton are looking at the City of Salem’s ASR as a model and described how winter runoff from the North Santiam River is stored underground and then pumped out during the summer months. Mr. Walker said it is 3.6 miles between the cities of Silverton and Mt. Angel and if the two cities develop an ASR system the cities would share the same water source. He said there are a lot of questions that need to be answered and the feasibility study will answer those. He said this is the second grant cycle where competition is heavier and the cities would appreciate the boards support in this matter because it might make a critical difference in getting funds from the state.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of a resolution in support of a water supply and storage study for the cities of Silverton and Mt. Angel. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

3. Consider approval of an order appointing Stephan Wurzburg to the Marion County Fair Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2017. – Tami Goettsch

Volunteer Services Coordinator Cathy Crocker said there is currently one vacant position on the Marion County Fair Board and because of the quality of the applicants the Marion County Fair Board has decided to create a new “key volunteer” position for the Marion County Fair. Ms. Crocker introduced fair board applicants Stephan Wurzburg, Keizer Chamber of Commerce

membership and marketing director who helps to organize events at the Keizer Iris Festival; and Dylan Wells, member of the agricultural community.

Community Services Director Tamra Goettsch said the Marion County Fair Board would like to benefit from both applicants' talents therefore a "key volunteer" position was created for the Marion County Fair. She said Mr. Wurzburg has extensive experience coordinating events and is interested in filling the vacancy of volunteer coordinator. Mr. Wells has experience with social media and will help the board make those connections as well as connections to the agricultural community. Ms. Goettsch said she recommends their appointment to the Marion County Fair Board.

Stephan Wurzburg said he is the marketing director for the Keizer Chamber of Commerce and interim director for the Oregon State Chamber of Commerce. He said he has worked with Marion County Fair Board members in the past and hopes to bring a new perspective to the board. Dylan Wells said he is a farmer in the Woodburn area who grows gourds, winter squash and miniature pumpkins. He said the Marion County Fair Board would be a great way to get involved in the agricultural community as well as bring his marketing expertise to the fair board.

Commissioner Carlson thanked Mr. Wurzburg and Mr. Wells for their willingness to serve and said it is exciting to have so much talent coming into the fair board. She explained that the fair board is a working board that spends long hours setting up the fair, during the fair, and wrapping up the fair and that having a group of "key volunteers" will allow the fair board to expand legally. She said key volunteers are encouraged to attend fair board meetings and will have an aspect of the fair to oversee. She said she is excited the key volunteer program moving forward.

Commissioner Brentano said he is pleased Mr. Wurzburg will provide a connection to the Keizer Chamber of Commerce. He said in interest of full disclosure, Mr. Wells is his cousin. He said Mr. Wells has been a successful entrepreneur and is an assistant coach at Regis High School.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of an order appointing Stephan Wurzburg to the Marion County Fair Board for a three-year term ending December 31, 2017, and moved approval of a second order appointing Dylan Wells to a position of "Key Volunteer" for the Marion County Fair. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

4. Consider the appointment of Dylan Wells to a position of "Key Volunteer" for the Marion County Fair. – Tami Goettsch (ACTED ON IN PREVIOUS MOTION.)

HEALTH

5. Consider approval of an intergovernmental agreement to pay \$176,500 to the City of Salem to provide mobile crisis response services in Marion County. – Scott Richards

Behavioral Health Division Director Scott Richards provided a brief history of the steps Marion County has taken to improve crisis services to individuals who encounter law enforcement due to mental health issues including placing mental health specialists at the Marion County Jail, training law enforcement personnel through a Crisis Intervention Training program, and the

creation of the Crisis Outreach Response Team (CORT). He said the addition of a Mobile Crisis Response Team that would consist of a law enforcement officer and mental health specialist responding to calls in-progress would solidify the county's entire crisis system. He said the Health Department is fortunate to be awarded this additional funding from the Oregon Health Authority Addictions and Mental Health Division for this mobile crisis response service. He said the Health Department has put together two patrol cars, one with a Marion County deputy and mental health specialist and the other with a Salem police officer and a mental health specialist. He said the teams would provide coverage seven days a week through 9-1-1 dispatch calls that involve individuals with a mental illness. He said the hope is that through this mobile crisis response service the county will be able to get these individuals the treatment and resources they need and avoid filling up the jail and criminal justice system.

Lieutenant Larson introduced Mobile Crisis Response Team members Deputy Cliff Self and Mental Health Specialist Tyler Grissom and shared a recent call where the mobile crisis response team was able to diffuse a situation involving a veteran with post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and persuade the veteran to accept crisis services. Lieutenant Larson said the teams are doing a great job and have already stacked calls from dispatch and he expects to see similar call numbers to the crisis outreach work where 60 percent of the calls come from the Salem area, 25 percent from the outlining areas, and the remaining from other jurisdictions.

Commissioner Carlson requested specifics on what the grant will allow the Sheriff's Office to do that they currently are not able to do. Lieutenant Larson said, currently, police reports are voluntarily submitted from the different law enforcement agencies to CORT and then CORT responds within a few days or up to a week after the individual was in crisis. He said the new Mobile Crisis Response Teams will receive calls directly from dispatch and respond to in-progress calls at the moment an individual is in crisis. He said this will get an individual the crisis services needed at the time of crisis rather than trying to sort out the details later. He added that the goal is to divert these individuals from jail.

Ann-Marie Bandfield said when visiting a person after a crisis it is easy for that person to say there is no need for services, but in the moment of crisis it is to engage the person and get them the community services that build that stability that keeps them out of that crisis system.

Commissioner Carlson referred to a recent incident involving law enforcement and an individual with autism and asked what the Crisis Intervention Training teaches in situations involving persons with autism.

Lieutenant Larson said Deputy Kevin Rau has incorporated an autism specialist into the training and an autism specialist has been incorporated into the leadership training.

Commissioner Brentano said he agrees that immediate intervention is more effective.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of an intergovernmental agreement to pay \$176,500 to the City of Salem to provide mobile crisis response services in Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC WORKS

6. Consider approval of a right-of-way agreement for \$5,000 with the Oregon Department of Transportation and a resolution authorizing the use of Eminent Domain for the Cordon Road Left Turn Lane Project. – Cindy Schmitt

County Engineer Cindy Schmitt explained that the county has received federal funds to build turn pockets on Cordon Road at the intersections with Carolina Avenue and Indiana Avenue as a safety project and that the engineering design and environmental phases of the project are close to completion. She said the county now wants to enter into the right-of-way acquisition phase and that the right-of-way intergovernmental agreement is to establish the roles between the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) and Marion County with regard to who acquires right-of-way and negotiates the acquisitions. She said county staff will perform all of the acquisition services in coordination with property owners and then the state will provide oversight and final certification of the right-of-way the county acquires for the project. She said since the project has federal funds the county needs to adopt a resolution that shows the commitment on behalf of the county to enter into eminent domain proceedings, if necessary, in order to acquire the right-of-way to complete the projects. Ms. Schmitt presented exhibit maps and descriptions for the permanent roadway, slope, and drainage easements (Attachment B).

Commissioner Brentano said the board has always been cautious about using eminent domain and would prefer to negotiate an agreement that is fair to all parties. He requested specifics on the properties coming under eminent domain procedures.

Ms. Schmitt referred to the three easement maps (Attachment B) and explained the 10 foot permanent roadway easement that runs along the parcel; the 35 foot drainage easement to accommodate the adjustment of the drainage channel that runs through the parcel; and the 5 foot and 127 foot slope easement to accommodate the sloping ground back to the farm field. She said that the parcel that is affected by these easements is a single parcel owned by the Salem-Keizer School District that acquired the property as part of the Cesar Chávez Elementary School development. She said she has been in discussions with the school district about additional drainage easements that are not part of this project, but are part of the East Salem Service District and those discussions have been good. She said the county cannot officially enter into negotiations right-of-way until the resolution and intergovernmental agreement is in place. She added that staff will do everything it can to avoid going to a condemnation situation. Commissioner Carlson confirmed that the school district would be compensated for the property.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of a right-of-way agreement for \$5,000 with the Oregon Department of Transportation and a resolution authorizing the use of Eminent Domain for the Cordon Road Left Turn Lane Project. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC WORKS – ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

7. Consider approval of an order appointing Brian May to the Solid Waste Management Advisory Council to a four-year term ending May 31, 2018. – Jeff Bickford

Volunteer Services Coordinator Cathy Crocker introduced Environmental Services Division Manager Jeff Bickford to discuss an appointment to the Solid Waste Management Council (SWMAC). Mr. Bickford explained that SWMAC is a 16 member advisory council that makes recommendations to Environment Services on programs and policies related to waste reduction and disposal. He said half of the council's members are citizens-at-large while the other half are representatives from business and industry. Mr. Bickford said Brian May would be filling one of the business and industry positions representing compost/transfer operator. He said Mr. May submitted his application and has attended two SWMAC meetings, as required, before being interviewed. Mr. May was interviewed on April 16, 2014, and on April 22, 2014, it was determined that Mr. May would be recommended to the Board of Commissioners for appointment to the advisory council.

Brian May said he has been in solid waste collections since 1989 and has spent a lot of time and effort into pulling materials out of landfills and utilizing them for beneficial use. He said he has been the division manager for Republic Services' Pacific Region Compost Facility at Coffin Butte Landfill for the past 10 years and works to ensure the right things are going into our landfills and solid waste system. He said he had an opportunity to work with Marion County on the Recycling 101 campaign for Master Recyclers and would like to continue to help with the program while serving on SWMAC. He said Marion County is very forward thinking and doing unique things such as harvesting the ash monofill. He said it is setting new standards in the state for solid waste and recycling and he is proud to be part of that. The commissioners thanked Mr. May for being will to serve.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of an order appointing Brian May to the Solid Waste Management Advisory Council to a four-year term ending May 31, 2018. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9:30 A.M.

None.

Commissioner Brentano adjourned the meeting at 10:48 a.m.

Attachments: (A) SEDCOR 3rd Quarter 2013-2014 Activity Report
(B) Cordon Road left turn lane project easements

CHAIR

COMMISSIONER