

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, May 13, 2009
Marion County Courthouse Square

9:00 a.m. Board Session
Senator Hearing Room

PRESENT: Commissioner Patti Milne, Commissioner Janet Carlson and Commissioner Sam Brentano. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Jo Stonecipher as legal counsel and Kim Hulett as recorder.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a price agreement for the purchase of rock products from Fennimore Rock.

Approve an intergovernmental agreement and amendment #1 to receive up to \$350,000 from the Oregon Military Department for reimbursement of qualifying expenditures from the winter storms of December 2008.

PUBLIC WORKS – PLANNING

Receive hearings officer's decision granting conditional use, case #CU08-059, Schmidt, Clerk's File #5613.

Public notice that at its regularly scheduled public meeting on May 27, 2009, the Board of Commissioners will consider imposing an additional condition of approval in conditional use, case #CU07-58, Curtright, on remand from the Land Use Board of Appeals.

TREASURER

Approve an order distributing revenues from ORS Chapter 530 timberlands.

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 17-23, 2009, as National Public Works Week. – Dan Estes

Dan Estes, senior policy advisor, stated this is a proclamation designating May 17-23, 2009, as National Public Works Week. Alan Haley, administration division manager for Public Works said that there is a celebration in Woodburn from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 16, 2009. Marion County will participate by taking the new pothole truck to Woodburn and demonstrating how it will be used as well as its new safety features. Commissioner Milne said this celebration was brought to her attention at the Woodburn Rotary meeting. She said she wanted to recognize the Marion County Public Works Department and the great work they do.

John Lattimer, chief administrative officer, said that many people in Marion County might not understand that Public Works is one of the larger departments and they do the heavy lifting for the county. In the winter they keep our roads free of snow and last year they had a particularly difficult time helping folks out of their homes in the canyon area due to so much snow. In the spring they help with sandbags when the rivers overflow. In the summer they do the best they can with limited resources by making the roads smooth and filling potholes. He said he really appreciated what the Public Works people do.

Commissioner Brentano summarized that there is 190 employees in Public Works. They are responsible for 1200 miles of road, 19,400 roadway signs, 145 bridges, 121 miles of sidewalk, 240,000 tons of solid waste and maintenance of 19 county parks.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved approval of a proclamation designating May 17-23, 2009, as National Public Works Week. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Carlson added that Public Works employees are also responsible for 25,000 visitors to the Marion County Fair and 2,400 dogs at the dog shelter.

The commissioners then read the proclamation.

SHERIFF

2. Consider approval of a proclamation designating May 10–16, 2009, as National Police Week. – Commander Clausen

Commander Troy Clausen, Sheriff's Office, said he was here to ask for recognition of National Police Week. He stated the proclamation is merely words on a piece of paper, but they are words that they ask the commissioners to understand and support. He said he has had the opportunity, joy and the sorrow in some cases, of spending the last 19 years of his life in the law enforcement profession. Commander Clausen said that he has adopted a quote, "To whom much is entrusted, much is expected," and those in law enforcement hold that ultimate trust of the public. They cannot do their jobs without having that trust from the public. He said that when you put on the badge and the bullet proof vest everyday to go to work, 24/7, 365 days a year, there are some expectations that come with that. He said the ultimate expectation is that, if necessary, law

enforcement individuals give their life for another person of this county, of this state or this country.

Commander Clausen stated that during his 19-year career there had been a lot of good men and women who have made that ultimate sacrifice. He remembered Tom Jeffries, Colleen Waibel, John Burrigh, who is still in a coma and was with the Oregon State Police, Maria Mignano, Jason Hoerauf, Kelly Fredinburg, and recently Tom Tennant and Bill Hakim. He added that he wanted the public to understand that these are men and women who do the job out of respect for their fellow citizens and they gave the ultimate sacrifice. The vast majority of people that wear the uniform are not doing it for a power trip, but because they want to be of service.

Commissioner Milne thanked Commander Clausen for coming and for saying everything so well. She said we often notice people that serve in the military, but we sometimes forget to thank the police officers. Commissioner Milne said that last week the Senate recognized Tom Tennant and Bill Hakim, but we should also not forget the families because it is very difficult for them as well.

Commissioner Carlson added her thanks and said the thought that came to her mind was the professionalism in the Marion County Sheriff's Office. They are great people and do their jobs well. In addition, the spirit of cooperation the Sheriff's Office has with all the other jurisdictions is wonderful. It appears that everyone works well together and backs each other up.

Commissioner Brentano said he felt Commander Clausen covered the proclamation very well. He said it is all about keeping Marion County clean and safe and was happy to recognize the people that provide this service.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of a proclamation designating May 10–16, 2009, as National Police Week. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners then read the proclamation.

PUBLIC HEARING

9:30 a.m.

None.

Commissioner Milne read the weekly calendar.

Commissioner Milne adjourned the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

Attachments: Agenda

ABOVE MINUTES APPROVED

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