#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, December 27, 2017 9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room 555 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97305

PRESENT:

Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Janet Carlson, and Commissioner Kevin Cameron. Also present were Bruce Armstrong as county counsel, John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

Commissioner Brentano called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

## **CONSENT**

(Video Time 00:00:43)

#### BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Approve an order establishing Board, Committee, and Commission assignments for Marion County elected officials.

#### **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Approve an order appointing Troy Gregg to the Marion County Children and Families Commission with a term ending June 30, 2018.

Approve an order reappointing Ormond Fredericks and changing Commissioner Carlson's status from a regular member to an honorary member to the Marion County Children and Families Commission with terms ending January 31, 2022.

#### HEALTH

Approve Amendment #1 to the contract for services with Youth MOVE Oregon to add \$180,708 from the WVCH Transformation Program Project Grant to provide Children and Youth Crisis Services.

Approve the Contract for Services with Lori Linton-Nelson, RN, MN, PMHNP for \$350,000 to provide psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner services for the adult behavioral health program through December 31, 2020.

Approve the Contract for Services with John Michael Sholar for \$335,000 to provide psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner services for the adult behavioral health program through December 31, 2020.

Approve the Contract for Services with Dr. Jeffrey Luty, M.D. in the amount of \$585,000 to provide medical supervision for Addiction and Treatment Services through December 31, 2020.

#### PUBLIC WORKS

Receive notice of hearings officer's decision dismissing Conditional Use Case #17-033/Lind.

## TAX OFFICE

Approve an order of the property tax refund in the amount of \$37,737.98 to CFT NV Developments, LLC.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved for approval of the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

### **ACTION**

(Video Time 00:03:31)

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

- 1. Consider approval of an order appointing Janet Carlson as Chair, Kevin Cameron as Vice-Chair, and Sam Brentano as Second Vice-Chair of the Marion County Board of Commissioners.

  John Lattimer
  - It has been the tradition in Marion County for the board members to rotate the chairmanship; and
  - It has created a great working relationship among all commissioners.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved for approval of an order appointing Janet Carlson as Chair, Kevin Cameron as Vice-Chair, and Sam Brentano as Second Vice-Chair of the Marion County Board of Commissioners. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:06:23)

## PUBLIC WORKS

2. Consider a resolution initiating amendments to the Marion County Code Title 17 (Rural Zone Code) adopting criteria and standards regulating the siting of photovoltaic solar arrays in certain zones. – Brandon Reich

## Summary of presentation:

- Since 2015, Marion County Planning Department has received applications for photovoltaic solar arrays;
- There have been concerns raised about allowing these facilities on productive farmland;
- At a recent work session, the board directed staff to prepare a resolution initiating consideration of amendments to the rural zone code related to the criteria and standards for placement of facilities on farm land;
- Mr. Fennimore will be working with the board and staff to amend the rural zone code; and
- Staff recommends the board to adopt the resolution.

#### Board discussion:

- In 2011, Marion County changed its code to match the State of Oregon's laws:
  - o 12 acres for high value land; and
  - o 20 acres for non-high value.
- After 2011, the state revised the rules for how photovoltaic solar arrays can be on farmland;
- Placing photovoltaic solar arrays on farmland is a conditional use, which gives the county more flexibility on how to apply the use appropriately;
- The solar farm is relatively new;
- Property owners can generate power for their own property's use;
- The solar arrays make it profitable for the land owners;
- The commissioners are for solar generation, but would like to find property that isn't farmable;
- New applicants are able to apply under the current code:
  - o Public Works does not have the capability to stay applications.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Carlson moved to adopt a resolution initiating amendments to the Marion County Code Title 17 (Rural Zone Code) adopting criteria and standards regulating the siting of photovoltaic solar arrays in certain zones. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS 9:30 A.M.

None.

Commissioner Brentano read the calendar.

Commissioner Brentano adjourned the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

CHAIR

OMMISSIONER

COMMISSIONER

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