

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Minutes

Monday, September 25, 2017, 9:00 a.m.

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem 5th Floor, Suite 5232, Silverton Conference Room

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Commissioner Craig Pope, John Lattimer, Sheriff Jason Myers, Bruce Armstrong, Cary Moller, Tamara Goettsch, Colleen Coons-Chaffins, Lisa Trauernicht, Hitesh Parekh, Justine Flora, Tom Hogue, Barb Young, Katrina Rothenburger, Pam Hutchinson, Noel Carroll, Tessa Robinson, Debbie Gregg, Danielle Gonzalez, and Kristy Witherell as Recorder

John Lattimer called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

INFORMATIONAL:

Cross Jurisdictional Sharing Work Group Update

- Commissioner Cameron & Commissioner Pope

Summary of presentation:

- Polk and Marion County applied for a cross-jurisdictional grant;
- Received a grant to fund the three meetings;
- Public Health Modernization Grant is due Oct 24th;
- Most likely will fund communicable disease control initiatives:
- Looking at populations experiencing disparities related to communicable diseases;
- Grant is competitive;
- This will increase effectiveness;
- Been successful in keeping the conversation moving forward and would like to keep committee together to continue to provide oversight and leadership;
 - Allows this committee to engage more directly with the Coordinated Care Organization.

Board discussion:

- The committee's objective is to save money;
- Will be more efficient;
- Entire healthcare system needs to be better connected;
- Time table for the grant application:
 - o 2017-19 bienium;
 - o \$500,000; and
 - o Will be disbursed January 1, 2018.

Review HIV Early Intervention and Outreach Services Grant

- Tessa Robbins, BSN, RN, Pam Hutchinson

Summary of presentation:

- State started a new process for Request for Proposal's to award funds;
- Grant specifically targets HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI's);
- Response to increasing rates of STI's;
- It is a five year grant;
- It's building a program from the ground up;
- The first year will be heavy on assessment and will create a Communicable Disease (CD) collation:
 - Stakeholders from community partners will be involved to discuss the best way to approach the increase of STI/HIV rates.
- Part of the grant will help with education, outreach, referral, and linkage to care:
- Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PREP) provider training:
 - Medication given to high risk users to decrease the likelihood of getting HIV
- Wrote in the grant that it would be in conjunction with Polk County;
- Mobile testing;
- Making an effort to go into the field and test for HIV;
- Outcomes:
 - o Provide thorough assessment of providers in Marion and Polk Counties;
 - Enhance case investigations;
 - o Formation of the CD Collation; and
 - o Continued collaboration of community partners with a long-term goal of reducing STI's in Marion County.

Board discussion:

- Grant is due October 3, 2017;
- \$4 million per year;
- Haven't finished the grant process;
- Marion county is pretty competitive in the process;
- High risk individuals are identified through previous STI testing; and
- Those at risk for STI's are engaging in risky behaviors that are at risk for HIV.

Discuss North Santiam Canyon and Water Source Protection

- Danielle Gonzalez

Summary of presentation:

- Working with the Oregon Business Council, along with the North Santiam Watershed Council, to study and provide data points for the economic impacts of healthy water;
- Working on a sewer project in the Santiam Canyon;
- The opportunity to collaborate will give Marion County a foot in the door with entities moving forward on a sewer project;
- Need to utilize resources; and
- Want to help highlight what is happening in the canyon, specifically water quality as well as economic development.

Board discussion:

- Great that the whole collaboration is working together;
- Oregon Business Plan wants to highlight it in a breakout group; and
- The wildfires will have economic impacts on the area.

Annual Benefit Renewal Status Update

- Justine Flora

Summary of presentation:

- Every year the county renews the insurance healthcare plans;
- Prices have gone up:
 - o Additional taxes have been wrapped up in the premium;
 - Oregon Premium Tax is new this year and it accounts for 1.5 percent of the increase; and
 - Health Insurer Fee is a 3.5 percent increase.
- The initial renewals came in pretty high:
 - o Regence is a 16.9 percent increase for Non-MCLEA:
 - 17.1 increase for MCLEA.
 - o Through negotiation, was able to reduce the increase to 8.4 percent for Non-MCLEA and 8.6 percent for MCLEA; and
 - o Kaiser and ODS will be a 7 percent increase.
- Four percent of the increase is due to taxes;
- Claims utilization by employees have gone up this year;
- Switching over to Vision Service Plan from Regence:
 - Not a high impact of change.
- There will not be any changes to the current insurance benefits;
- Due to IRS standards, in order to qualify as a high deductible plan, the deductible will need to go up:
 - Will be raised to \$1,350 for individuals; and
 - o \$2,700 for families.
- The HISC team will meet on Wednesday, September 27th;
- Open enrollment begins on November 1st;
- Implemented temporary and part-time employee health plans:
 - Currently have zero participants;
 - Allows the county to offer health coverage to employees who are eligible for the Affordable Care Act;
 - o Contains only essential benefits at an affordable rate; and
 - The county will not be able to offer the plan without employee subsidies.

Board discussion:

- The county is trying to make their best estimate on healthcare costs;
- The work session will show the insurance plans in more depth; and
- The employees need to share in the cost of tax increases.

Discuss Initiation of Balance of the "New" Title III Secure Rural Schools Funding Amounts

- Bruce Armstrong & Hitesh Parekh

Summary of presentation:

- Asking the board to approve \$482,172 in Secure Rural Schools Title III funds at Board Session on Wednesday;
- Secure Rural Schools funds began in 2002;
- It expired in 2015-16;
- When counties receive the funds, it comes in a lump sum:
 - o The county has to proportion the funds into three titles:
 - The largest title is Title I:
 - Split between roads and schools.
 - Title II; and
 - Title III:
 - Funds fall under the purview of the county commissioners.
- There is a large balance of Title III funds;
- In 2007, the commissioners stated that they would like all Title III funds to be used for search and rescue;
- The county has until September 30th to initiate the funds;
- The deadline to obligate the funds is September 30, 2018; and
- This is an initiation process that can be uninitiated.

Board discussion:

• This is the last of the money the county will get for Secure Rural Schools.

Discuss Serving on the Willamette Falls Locks Commission

- Commissioner Cameron

Summary of presentation:

- Toured the paper mill by the locks;
- Legislation was passed that formed a statewide commission and there is a seat for Marion County; and
- Commissioner Schrader called last week and asked if Commissioner Cameron would serve on the commission.

Board discussion:

• Commissioner Cameron will find out the details of the meeting.

Communications Update

- Jolene Kellev
- The public information officer provided updates for the commissioners.

COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND UPDATES:

Kevin Cameron:

- Toured North Fork Parks;
- Ride along with brush cutting crew;
- Toured Yamasa Soy Sauce;
- Toured Norpac; and
- Attended the Salem City Club.

Adjourned at 10:30 am

COMPLETED BY: Kristy Witherell

Reviewed by: Sarra Sparks