



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Management Update Minutes

**Monday, July 6, 2020, 9:00 a.m.**

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

## ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Colm Willis, Sam Brentano, and Kevin Cameron, Jan Fritz, Jane Vetto, Brian Nicholas, Kent Inman, Barb Young, Chad Ball, Jolene Kelley, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

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

## INFORMATIONAL:

### **Discuss Transferring the Remaining Properties acquired for the Champoeg Memorial Highway, Commonly known as Schuler Road, to the State of Oregon through the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department**

- Brian Nicholas, Kent Inman

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- In December 2019, Representative Lewis received a complaint from one of two property owners that get their driveway access off of Shuler Road;
- The road is a 12-foot wide paved asphalt strip that is part of the Champoeg bikeway;
- Once it enters county property, the county named the strip Shuler Road, but it is not technically a county road;
- The resident's issue is that the road has not been paved in years;
- The issue opened up a conversation between the county and Champoeg Park regarding paving this year along the bike paths;
- It was discovered by the state that the county did not fully convey Shuler Road;
- The quitclaim deed will legally convey all pieces of Shuler Road to the state;
- In 1936, there were plans to create a Champoeg Memorial Highway:
  - Because of World War II, those plans stopped and left unfinished conveyed pieces of road.
- This item will go before the board at this Wednesday's Board Session.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- The bike path is Shuler Road;
- There are two homes that gain access to their properties on the bike path;
- A quitclaim deed would be the process that the county would go through to release the road to the state of Oregon; and
- The commissioners would like to include a condition adding the easement agreements for the property owners in the quitclaim deed.

## COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND UPDATES:

Kevin Cameron:

- Received a call from Jody Christensen regarding an update with the hotel in Woodburn:
  - The City of Woodburn has been contacting the League of Oregon Cities to complain about the hotel being in their city;
  - Commissioner Cameron has been willing to meet with the city, and they have not been very responsive;
  - The Woodburn city manager stated that he has heard of what the plan for the hotel entails, but has not seen it documented;
  - As of Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, no one has been staying at the hotel;
  - Commissioner Cameron has asked for daily updates of activities in the hotel:
    - He is not asking for names, but asking for demographics of individuals.
  - The hotel rooms are inward facing;
  - The hotel is being guarded by security;
  - The City of Woodburn has the contract between the county and the hotel;
  - The commissioners would like to create an internal plan for the hotel; and
  - Ms. Christensen suggested having a joint town hall between the county and the City of Woodburn:
    - The city was not receptive to having a town hall meeting.

### **COVID-19 Update:**

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- On Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, the governor sent out a press release that stated she will be sending OSHA out to do mask checks on businesses:
  - They will be fining the businesses for patrons not wearing masks.

### OTHER:

Jane Vetto:

- Ms. Vetto is looking in to whether the county can retroactively claim reimbursement for COVID-19 expenses during March - May 2020, which were not submitted during the initial reimbursement.

Barb Young:

- Marion County Fire District 1 would like to come before the board for a work session:
  - Looking at a July 16<sup>th</sup> date.
- The Siletz Tribe would like to meet with the commissioners individually regarding the casino by the Keizer Station:
  - Ms. Young would like to have them come in for a work session.

Meeting adjourned at 9:44 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Kristy Witherell**

Reviewed by: *Joanna Ritchie*