



# Management Update Minutes

OREGON

**Monday, June 28, 2021, 9:00 a.m.**

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

## ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis. Also present were Jan Fritz, Jolene Kelley, Chad Ball, Jessica Stanton, Joe Kast, Matt Lawyer, Barb Young, Scott Norris, Jane Vetto, Katrina Rotheberger, Colleen Coons-Chaffins, Jeff White, Max Hepburn, Lani Radtke, Scott McClure, Brian May, Terry Stoner, Kathleen Silva, Jeff Wood, Brian Nicholas, Tamra Goettsch, Laurie Steele, Dennis Mansfield, Brandon Reich, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

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

## INFORMATIONAL:

### **Excessive Heat Update**

- All

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

##### Dennis Mansfield:

- The Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and the call center were open over the weekend:
  - Not very busy with the public;
  - Monitored electric company outages; and
  - EOC will be open from noon to 7 p.m. today.
- Scotts Mills Park overflowed and was unsafe;
- Contacted cooling centers to get updated hours;
- Salem is forecast to reach 100 degrees today; and
- North County is forecast to be above 110 degrees today.

##### Katrina Rothenberger:

- Health and Human Services staff called long-term care facilities, skilled nursing facilities, and Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities group homes:
  - Plan on contacting funeral homes:
    - Most have good back up plans.

### **Discuss a Commercial Access Request from Project Basie Development on Butteville Road**

- Lani Radtke and Max Hepburn

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

- The property is being developed by Amazon;

- The proposed access is close to, but not lined up with, Le Brun Road:
  - Would be 170 feet to the south;
  - There are problems with the proposed location:
    - Does not have room to allow for left turns; and
    - Safety issues:
      - City of Woodburn agrees with the county.
  - It will be a heavily used access point:
    - Heavy truck traffic; and
    - An estimated 1,000 employees in a shift.
  - Public Works asked the project teams and the City of Woodburn to work this problem out:
    - Not successful to date; and
    - A private property owner is affected and involved.
- Marion County has road authority for Butteville Road; and
- The project is near the proposed Port of Willamette intermodal facility.

### **Discuss COVID-19 Vaccine Relief Funds**

- Katrina Rothenberger

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

- \$1.8 million in COVID relief funds through December 31, 2021:
  - Presented a proposal for how the funds would be spent:
    - Includes funding for Health and Human Services vaccine coordination;
    - 5% allowable for financial reporting and contracting;
    - Includes funding for the following:
      - Community based organizations;
      - Woodburn ambulance; and
      - Falck ambulance:
        - They are requesting \$125,000.
    - \$1.3 million would be contracted out; and
    - Includes a broad range of projects.
  - Have received \$928,348;
  - Remainder will be distributed in September; and
  - The funding is primarily for vaccinations.

#### **Board Discussion:**

- The board would like the funding to go to trusted agencies that the county has worked with in the past.

### **Review the Key Terms and Conditions of the New Covanta Contract**

- Brian Nicholas, Brian May, and Jane Vetto

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

- There was a contract in place between Covanta and Marion County for 30 years:
  - The contract expired in 2014, and was extended for 5 years.
- Beginning in 2018 the county started negotiations with Covanta for a new contract, with financial terms agreed upon in December 2020:
  - The county guaranties Covanta 125,000 tons of municipal solid waste;

- A tipping fee that is favorable to the county; and
- Changes in ash disposal costs.
- Have been negotiating the terms of the contract since January:
  - Went from a 30 year contract to a three year contract, with two year extensions;
  - Mutually beneficial language covering natural disasters;
  - Performance guarantees;
  - Streamlined billing; and
  - In previous contracts the county was responsible for change of law, this was shifted to Covanta.
- The county wants to treat Covanta like a vendor;
- Covanta has signed off on the contract;
- Will be brought before the Commissioners at the next board meeting; and
- Public Works is pleased with the final product:
  - Provides the county with flexibility that they did not have before.

***Board discussion:***

- The Commissioners would like to have a work session on the Covanta contract.

**Ice Storm/Beachie Creek/COVID-19 Update**

-All

***Summary of presentation:***

Brian Nicholas:

- Clean up continues;
- Summer restrictions on logging and working in the woods will impact the pace of work being done:
  - Restrictions linked to humidity;
  - Safety measures have to be in place; and
  - Structural debris removal will not be impacted.
- June 30, 2021 is the deadline for submitting rights of entry for private property debris removal and hazard tree removal; and
- 43 percent of residential properties have completed clean up.

Tamra Goettsch:

- Cost is a large barrier for many property owners who would like to rebuild.

Colleen Coons-Chaffins:

- There are still issues with squatters in the canyon;
- There are still issues with scammers in the canyon;
- There is price gouging by contractors hired to help with clean up;
- The meeting at Foothills Church has been beneficial to survivors:
  - Support for the community; and
  - Ideas on how to move forward.
- A lot of the survivors are senior citizens.

**Board discussion:**

- The commissioners would like to have a board order revoking the COVID-19 emergency order presented at the next board meeting.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

-All

**-Summary of presentation:**

- SB 464 – Wildfire property tax relief:
  - Passed;
  - The governor should sign; and
  - Will go in to effect Sept. 27, 2021.
- SB 762 – Wildfire policy bill:
  - Passed.
- HB 2289 – Land Use Ways and Means:
  - Related to building in areas affected by wildfires; and
  - Passed.

Meeting adjourned at 10:46 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Kristy Witherell**

*Reviewed by: Melissa Rounds*