#### **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

# MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, September 2, 2015 9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room 555 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT:

Commissioner Janet Carlson, Commissioner Kevin Cameron and Commissioner Sam Brentano. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Gloria Roy as county counsel and Kim Hulett as recorder.

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

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(Video Time 00:01:24)

- Kenneth Hetsel ROCC (Recovery Outreach Community Center) Board Member. ROCC serves homeless, people suffering from drug and alcohol dependence, and mental health issue;
- Mr. Hetsel Invited the Commissioners to a party "Hands Across the Bridge" on Saturday, September 12<sup>th</sup> to support individuals in recovery;
- Mr. Hetsel wanted to share his recovery story, is from Memphis, Tennessee, and was homeless for a period of time;
- Mr. Hetsel is a Vietnam veteran suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and depression;
- Board members try to give back and lead by example;
- Mr. Hestel advocates for homeless and those suffering from mental illness; and
- Flowers are thrown off the bridge in remembrance of people lost.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron made a motion to move the item under Community Services to the Action Calendar. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

# **CONSENT**

(Video Time 00:07:23)

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OLCC APPLICATIONS – Recommend Approval
Bauman Cider Company, LLC – Gervais
Nagoya Japanese Steakhouse & Sushi, Salem

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

Approve an order appointing Nate Brown to the Economic Development Advisory Board for a term ending June 30, 2018. (MOVED TO ACTION)

## PUBLIC WORKS

Receive hearings officer's decision approving Partition, case #P 15-006, Newkirk, Clerk's File #5700.

Receive hearings officer's decision dismissing Administrative Review, case #AR 15-020, Wilson, Clerk's File #5699.

# SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Approve an intergovernmental agreement with the State of Oregon, Department of Corrections to receive \$949,650 via Measure 57 to support the Community Corrections program through June 30, 2017.

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

# **ACTION**

(Video Time 00:08:45)

## **COMMUNITY SERVICES**

1. Consider approval of an order appointing Nate Brown to the Economic Development Advisory Board for a term ending June 30, 2018. (MOVED TO ACTION)

# Summary of presentation:

- Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB) is a 19 member board advising the board on economic development in the county;
- Recent vacancy;
- Commissioner Cameron introduced Nate Brown;
- EDAB has recommended to the board that Nate Brown's appointment be approved;
- Mr. Brown has been with City of Keizer for 12 years;
- Appreciates the opportunity to work together as a team for economic development;
- Eager to represent Keizer's perspective; and
- Very happy to serve.

### Board discussion:

- Commissioners happy to have Mr. Brown on EDAB;
- City of Keizer developing economic development program;
- Creating more economic vitality and creating a better job foundation;
- Only one out of seven residents works in the city;
- Complex picture is difficult to navigate;
- Focus on targeted industries; and
- Marion County has been a dynamic partner since the very beginning.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved approval of an order appointing Nate Brown to the Economic Development Advisory Board for a term ending June 30, 2018. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

#### **HEALTH**

3. Consider approval of an order appointing Loren Hall to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee for a term ending January 31, 2018. – Rod Calkins

# Summary of presentation:

- Rod Calkins said that in Oregon the regulation of services is the purview of the counties;
- Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee to guide services;
- Eleven ambulance service areas in Marion County and two dispatch centers;
- Ambulance Service Area Committee had discussed it would be great to have a member from a dispatch center;
- Mr. Hall has been in the business for over 25 years;
- Advisory committee reviewed Mr. Hall's application and recommend him for appointment; and
- Mr. Calkins requested approval of appointment by the board.

## Board discussion:

- Discussed boundary and payment issues in the past resolved by advisory committee; and
- Important position, appreciate Mr. Hall's willingness to fill this position.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved approval of an order appointing Loren Hall to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee for a term ending January 31, 2018. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

2. Consider approval of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Community Rating System annual recertification. – Brandon Reich

# Summary of presentation:

- Marion County participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP);
- Communities must participate in NFIP for properties in their jurisdiction to qualify for flood insurance;
- Community Rating System (CRS) is a voluntary program that reduces the cost of flood insurance for residents in the county based on activities that county undertakes; and
- Approximately 10 percent of communities across the nation participate in the CRS.
- Marion County is a Class 6 community:
  - Residents in floodplains in a Class 6 community receive a 20 percent reduction in flood insurance premiums;
  - Residents outside of floodplains may also obtain insurance and receive a 10 percent discount; and
  - Savings for Marion County residents equates to \$50,000 on flood insurance premiums on \$70 million of insured structures and contents.
- Marion County has required structures in floodplain to be built two feet above the flood level instead of the state minimum of one foot above;

- An average insured newer home that is elevated an additional foot equates a cost savings of 33 percent;
- In addition, county's participation in CRS saves residents another 20 percent, for a total savings of approximately half off the cost of flood insurance compared to other jurisdictions in the state.
- NFIP assigns class rating based on the activities the county participates in based on how those activities preserve property and protect people during a flood event;
- Marion County is 250 points away from the next community rating of Class 5; and
- Some activities to achieve Class 5 rating include new mapping, generating new information, and generating a watershed masterplan.
- Lawsuit at the federal level between FEMA and the National Marine Fisheries Service:
  - o May cause FEMA to change NFIP operation in Oregon;
  - New mapping of floodplain activities, new development standards, and exclusion of certain types of development may occur; and
  - o More information available on the FEMA website.
- Every year CRS asks the county to recertify;
- Staff recommends that the board sign the recertification.

## Board discussion:

- \$70 million figure is for rural areas outside of cities and is the amount the federal government insures;
- 350-400 policies in the entire county; and
- Required to have insurance with a mortgage.
- Rates are rising on the whole;
- County has improved class ratings;
- Plans for outreach related to flooding;
- Discussed article from Statesman Journal about City of Salem submitting their application to FEMA with the potential of 25 percent savings due to an ordinance change;
- Marion County already prohibits enclosures below the base flood elevation similar to the City of Salem ordinance;
- Marion County code is consistent with model code and has a high rating at 20 percent, while allowing flexibility for residents; and
- Requested a press release out on community rating system.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Brentano moved approval of the FEMA Community Rating System recertification. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS 9:30 A.M.

None.

Commissioner Carlson read the weekly calendar.

Commissioner Carlson adjourned the meeting at 9:52 a.m.

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