

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Management Update Summary Minutes

Monday, July 6, 2015, 9:00 a.m. Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem 5th Floor, Suite 5232, Silverton Conference Room

# ATTENDANCE

John Lattimer, Sam Brentano, Janet Carlson (via phone), Kevin Cameron, Gloria Roy, Jolene Kelley, Raquel Moore-Greene, Alan Haley, Jacob Clotfelter, Camber Schlag, Jan Fritz, Gary Hales, Justine Flora, Hitesh Parekh, Ed Flick, Barb Young and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

Chief Administrative Officer John Lattimer opened the meeting at 9:00 a.m.

## **INFORMATIONAL**

## **Emergency Management – Drought Update**

Summary of presentation:

- Commissioner Cameron asked at the last meeting how much water was behind Detroit Lake:
  - o Ed Flick met with the Army Corps of Engineers and asked for a more refined model;
  - If stream input into Detroit Lake continues to collapse and the Corps maintains 1,000 cubic feet per second output, the water would last until mid-October;
  - Decision point sometime between now and August will be to either continue at 1,000 cubic feet per second output or reduce below 1,000 cubic feet per second;
  - Conference call with stakeholders on Thursday, July 9, 2015 that will be considering that lowing the output for the first time;
  - There is some space for the Corps to maneuver due to Department of Environmental Quality and fisheries opening the door for them not to meet mainstream Willamette flow targets for Salem;
  - $\circ$  The complicated question is at what level can the river users still draw from the river:
    - The river geography changes every year; and
    - There is concern the 800 cubic feet per second would be too low and would miss Geren Island Treatment Facility Intake, which supplies Salem with their water.
- Commissioner Cameron asked if anyone would suggest dredging the river:
  - Ed Flick stated that discussion will more than likely come up in the conference call.
- Farm Bureau is not concerned with lack of irrigation water; and
- Ed Flick was able to identify a vendor to supply water in an emergency situation.

#### Protest of Informal Request for Proposal for Occupational Health Services

Summary of presentation:

- Business Services released a Request for Proposal which closed June 8, 2015;
- Proposals were received from Kaiser Permanente, Salem Occupational Health and Providence Health and Services;
- Awards were given to Kaiser Permanente and Salem Occupational Health;
- Providence requested a statement of explanation as to why Providence was not chosen;

- Marion County provided Providence a detailed explanation of why they were not chosen;
- Additional information was requested by Providence;
- Members were concerned that Providence was too far for employees to travel;
- Providence submitted a protest letter;
- Three options to consider:
  - Award Providence a contract;
  - Cancel the informal Request for Proposal (RFP) and state that Marion County would like Salemmetro area only; and
  - Marion County to disagree with the grounds of protest.
- The recommendation from Business Services would be to award them a contract.

## Board Direction:

• The Board recommends awarding Providence the contract.

#### Appointment of Members to the Marion County Public Safety Council

Summary of Presentation:

- Commissioner Carlson gave an update on the vacant positions and terms that will expire at the end of the month;
- Will be on the Board Session consent agenda Wednesday, July 8, 2015; and
- There will be four new member and seven reappointments to the council.

## COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

Jolene Kelley, Public Information Coordinator, gave current updates.

#### COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

#### **Commissioner Janet Carlson**

- Casey Gwinn Proposal:
  - Framing it as an assessment ; and
  - Same week as the Reentry Breakfast, October 19 -23, 2015.
- Pay for Success Award:
  - The second meeting is August 5, 2015:
    - Start out with lunch and a tour at the Juvenile Department; and
    - Have a large meeting at Courthouse Square with some breakout meetings.
  - Looking at Salem Keizer Area Transit (SKAT) Regional Transportation Systems Plan:
    - Cordon Road, Center Street to State Street to construct parkway standards with multiuse paths, including signal modifications:
      - Commissioner Carlson asked if they were adding vegetation to the middle of the street; and
      - Brandon Reich is following up with Department of Transportation and will have a meeting including commissioners and the Sheriff.

#### **Commissioner Kevin Cameron**

- Toured Opal Creek and wilderness area:
  - The Forest Service is working to alleviate parking issues.
  - Toured some of the Marion County Parks:
    - Minto Park, Pack Saddle Park and Salmon Falls:
      - Issues with getting the parks ready for the type of traffic up there.
    - Alan Haley stated that since the parks are so busy, would there be entertainment of potentially adding a second aide to the parks group:

- Commissioner Cameron would like to see proposal of what the benefit of a second person would be;
- The Sheriff's Office offered work crews to clean up some of the mess in the parks;
- Way too dangerous for cadets to work up in North Fork; and
- Sheriff is having the traffic team do extra patrols in the county parks on the weekends.
- Suggestions would be to charge for parking in the parking lots and on the street.
- Attended the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) meeting:
  - Made a contact with the BLM operations person to see if the county can do some leveraging of resources to work together for facilities and maintenance of parks.
- Senate Bill 534 passed Wednesday, July 1, 2015.

# **Commissioner Sam Brentano**

- Attended a meeting at St. Paul regarding water issues in the city:
  - For the city to drill a new well and replace their existing filter system it would cost \$700,000 -\$2,000,000:
    - Would cost \$10.80 a month over a 20 year loan.
  - Suggested the city could apply for a community grant.
- Attended BLM meeting:
  - Coming out with a plan to reserve up to 80 percent of the forest and allow sustained harvest for the rest;
  - Did not define sustained harvest;
  - Taking Oregon & California (O&C) lands and make them multiuse forest lands which were lands specifically dedicated for timber harvest and supporting of counties;
  - o Commissioners and O&C Board are disappointed in the outcome; and
  - Will have thinning projects but doesn't bring money into the county.

# LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

# <u>OTHER</u>

- Alan Haley stated that an offer of a donation from the family of Blayk Wallace, through a GoFundMe page to supply life jackets at Salmon Falls:
  - o Concerned that the life jackets will stay up there and not be used;
  - $\circ$  Looking for solutions:
    - Helping create and outreach and educate people on the dangers of not using life jackets;
    - Possibility of handing out life jackets to park goers; and
    - Need for education about not diving off the falls.
  - Scott Rooney researched phone lines at Salmon falls and reinstalling call box:
    - Meeting with Frontier and Ed Flick to install phone box and will allow people to call 9-1-1.
- Chip sealing of Elin Road starting the week of July 13, 2015 and starting of repairs for the railroad crossing:
  - Road will be closed during the project.

# Adjourned 9:58 a.m.