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MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Minutes

Monday, January 22, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner Janet Carlson, Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Kevin Cameron, Jan Fritz, Bruce Armstrong, Alan Haley, Joe Fennimore, Colleen Coons-Chaffins, Justine Flora, Ed Flick, Brandon Reich, Dennis Mansfield, Andrew Johnson, Bailey Payne, Brian May, Barb Young, Jolene Kelley, and Kristy Witherell as Recorder

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

INFORMATIONAL:

Review the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Risk Management Report

- Justine Flora

Summary of presentation:

- Risk Management focuses on loss control:
 - Education;
 - Ergonomic support;
 - Safety;
 - Wellness; and
 - Customer service.
- Services offered:
 - Insurance fund administration; and
 - Claims administration:
 - Focus more on prevention.
- Able to recover \$421,293 from third parties;
- Receive reductions from workers compensation claims;
- State incentivizes employers if employee comes back early from a claim;
- Wellness administration:
 - Tracks through the Kaiser model:
 - Struggling with obesity and overweight;
 - Managing cholesterol and blood pressure; and
 - Smoking is lower.
- Biometric machine has been implemented;
- Loss prevention:
 - Focus is to be more out in the field and interact with various departments;
 - Conduct consulting services preventing risk;

- Review county contracts that involve insurance;
- Provides workforce training;
- Ergonomic consultations, including area redesigns;
- CPR/AED training;
- Online training that is accessible to all employees;
- Safety committee representative;
- Provide all safety pads and batteries for AEDs; and
- Provide chairs and ergonomic needs for employees.
- Property insurance:
 - Risk Management oversees all purchases of insurances for the county; and
 - Controls the cost of insurance.
- 118 auto open claims;
- Workers comp:
 - Marion County self-insures up to \$750,000;
 - Encourages the early return to work program;
 - Provides reimbursement;
 - Factors:
 - Aging workforce; and
 - Specific risks.
 - General liability:
 - Self-insure the first \$1 million; and
 - 54 open general liability claims.
 - Research shows that the sooner someone returns to the workplace, the faster they heal.
- Auto Liability:
 - 10 open liability claims;
 - Looking to improve defensive driving course for employees; and
 - Reviewing policies and procedures.
- Looking at continuing the programs;
- Would like to focus on training;
- Focus on cyber liability;
- Trying to get individuals in touch with personal stressors; and
- Some major claim drivers are slips, trips, strains and falls.

Board discussion:

- Litigated claims could take years to finalize.

Discuss Providing a Letter of Support to the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) for a Natural Hazards Grant

- Ed Flick, Joe Fennimore, and Brandon Reich

Summary of presentation:

- DOGAMI sent planning a request that Marion County support a grant that would develop additional hazard information for the county;
- There are a lot of benefits for hazard mitigation for emergency management planning;
- These same maps would affect the way development could occur on private property;

- Providing two types of data:
 - New landslide data based on laser imaging of topography; and
 - Data related to the Endangered Species Act (ESA):
 - FEMA is going to require new standards and regulations to achieve the ESA protections in the flood plains:
 - Protections require a new map.
- DOGAMI provides landslide and ESA maps;
- FEMA has the capability of mapping, but it could be years down the road;
- Marion County can opt out of the ESA mapping;
- DOGAMI may map it anyway and Marion County will have to adopt them;
- The landslide maps are different and don't fall under FEMA;
- Under Goal 7 of the Land Use Natural Hazards Goal, the local jurisdiction will have to look at the maps and consider how they can be implemented at the local level:
 - Notice of living in a landslide area; or
 - Hiring a geologist to do a review.
- If the county doesn't support being a part of the grant, they would not be required to abide by the maps;
- If the county supports the grant, there would be a scope of liability;
- There are benefits to the maps that show previous landslides; and
- Public Works supports both maps.

Board discussion:

- Supportive of landslide map, not supportive of the ESA maps;
- Specific data will be a benefit for property owners;
- It may be an all or nothing package; and
- Would allow Emergency Management Department more information to identify specific areas of hazard.

2018 Planning Division Special Projects Update

- Brandon Reich, Joe Fennimore

Summary of presentation:

- Adopted standards for Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU's);
- Turner Urban Growth Boundary (UGB):
 - Not providing suggested expansion at this time.
- Went through an extensive FEMA audit and it went well;
- Solar array standards on farmland;
- ADU's on farmland;
- Planning a Rural and Urban Zone Code update;
- Working with Donald on review of their UGB:
 - Looking at a 76 acre expansion.
- Transportation projects;
- Working with Turner on regional a floodplain update:
 - Incorrect data on map amendments.

Board discussion:

- Looking at expansion of Sublimity Park;
- Keizer needs to conduct a transportation plan for UGB;

- Aurora Airport has their own planners and they are reviewing options on how to go about an expansion:
 - Planning Department will support whatever route they have; and
 - Clackamas County has no voting power.

Recycling Market Update

- Brian May, Bailey Payne

Summary of presentation:

- China has restricted what recyclables are allowed;
- Impact with processors, pricing, and how they are able to move material;
- 60 percent of recycling is going to China;
- China lowered the contamination threshold to .5 percent of what is allowed
- Now slowing machines down;
- Costing more to process recyclables;
- In 2016, haulers were able to recover \$400,000-450,000 from recycling to offset costs:
 - In 2017, they were able to recover just over \$100,000.
- January 18th numbers are now a loss of \$1.8 million in the area;
- Meeting with Hauler Association and Garten Services and working through scenarios on how to address this issue;
- 3-7 recyclable plastics are costing Marion County \$110 a ton to recycle;
- One processor had a container rejected from China:
 - Ramifications are greater:
 - Broker could lose license from providing a contaminated container.
- Over half of Marion County's recycling is taken care of by Garten Services and the rest is shipped to Portland;
- Garten Services warehouse is filling up;
- In December 2017, Garten only shipped five containers of mixed waste paper:
 - In January 2018, they shipped 30 containers of mixed waste paper, which is going to Vietnam.
- Concerned with the capacity in the marketplace;
- Senator Wyden sent a letter to the Chinese Embassy to try and review the restrictions to allow the U.S to catch up with the requirements;
- White paper and cardboard still has a great value; and
- Marion County will be in a limbo period.

Board discussion:

- Specific plastics are still being recycled, but at a very high dollar rate;
 - Mix waste paper has been an issue with recycling.
- Garten has more clientele bringing in recyclables than they did a year ago;
- The recycling issue will be in the next employee newsletter;
- The recycling message is too complicated; and
- The allowed recyclables keeps changing.

Solid Waste Franchise Agreements and Contract Update

- Brian May

Summary of presentation:

- Processed 5,000 tons less material through Covanta than the previous year:
- Increase in Blue Bin;
- Diverted 36,000 tons of wood volume;
- Covanta had more down time;
- Appreciates the relationship with the Marion Recycle Recovery Facility (MRRF):
 - Taking on additional tons as needed for diversion; and
 - MRRF diverted 60,000 tons of their own materials in order to handle what Marion County was bringing in.
- Salem-Keizer Transfer Station is continuing to see an increase;
- Leveling off at the North Marion Transfer Station:
 - May be due to a price increase.
- Coffin Butte:
 - Seeing a steady increase; and
 - Should drop in 2018.
- Browns Island debris is measured in yards, not tons;
 - Still seeing the construction and demolition portion of the business grow dramatically.
- Business in Turner is implementing equipment to handle drywall recycling:
 - Mechanical process; and
 - Big benefit.
- Ash from Covanta going to Coffin Butte:
 - Less ash because burning less material.
- Will be discussing the MRRF Franchise agreement with Solid Waste Management Advisory Council:
 - Salem-Keizer Transfer Station agreement.
- There will be a \$300,000 expense line coming to Board Session to cover the MRRF:
 - The net effect of shifting to the MRRF will be a benefit to Marion County of over \$400,000.

Communications Update

- Jolene Kelley

- Ms. Kelley gave a brief update of events happening in the community that the commissioners will be attending.

Commissioners' Committee Assignments and Update

Kevin Cameron:

- Bill Post show on Thursday;
- Attended French Prairie meeting;
- Attended PAAM meeting regarding airport extension;
- OSU Extension Service District is planning on moving employees to Portland; and
- Attended Salem City Club.

Sam Brentano:

- Met with City of Silverton regarding the Oregon Garden; and
- Attended the O&C Board meeting.

Janet Carlson:

- Cindy Becker from the Behavioral Care Network (BCN) is retiring and will be leaving at the end of March 2018;
- BCN employees are no longer Marion County employees;
- WVCH elections for a new chair will be May/June 2018:
 - Rob Johnson will be stepping down as CEO in October.
- The healthcare partnerships are changing the landscape of healthcare.

Meeting dismissed at 11:18 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: Kristy Witherell

Reviewed by: Sherry Lintner