## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, September 6, 2017 9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room 555 Court Street NE Salem, OR 97305

PRESENT:

Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Janet Carlson, and Commissioner Kevin Cameron. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Noah Olson as county counsel, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

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

# **PUBLIC COMMENT**

(Video Time 00:01:08)

#### David Beem:

• Concerned with the fires and excessive smoke in Marion County.

(Video Time 00:31:51)

## Kenneth Hetsel:

- Hands Across the Bridge to Celebrate Recovery is Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 p.m.
  7:00 p.m. in Marion Square Park, Salem;
- Need 50 dozen flowers for the event;
  - o 16 dozen flowers have been donated; and
  - o Looking for 34 dozen to be donated.

## Board discussion:

• Marion County Farm Bureau will donate 5-6 dozen flowers.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to add a Proclamation Designating September 17-23, 2017 as Constitution Week in Marion County to the action agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

## CONSENT

(Video Time 00:03:35)

## **BUSINESS SERVICES**

Approve the recommendation to adjust pay grade upward for three classifications; #048 Deputy County Clerk 2, #636 Criminal Investigations Supervisor, and #640 District Attorney Supervisor.

## **PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve the Contract for Services with Auto Additions, Inc. for the provision and installation of equipment for setup of emergency services vehicles and maintenance of those systems for \$1,500,000 through December 31, 2022.

## SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Approve the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Corrections for supplemental funds for treatment of drug addicted persons in the amount of \$1,007,320 through June 30, 2019.

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

## **ACTION**

(Video Time 00:05:25)

## **BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

1. Consider approval of a proclamation observing September 17-23, 2017 as Constitution Week in Marion County.

# Summary of presentation:

- It is a social organization that promotes patriotism, education, and preserving their heritage;
- Serves veterans in the community;
- Chemeketa Chapter of Daughters of the American Revolution membership includes women 15 years or older who can trace their lineage back to someone involved in the American Revolutionary War:
  - o Promote education, patriotism, and historic preservation.
- Oregon has 1,800 members;
- Activities include:
  - o Walking around the block with St. Joseph School ringing bells and waving flags;
  - o Setting up a booth at the library; and
  - o Going to schools to talk with kids about the importance of the Constitution.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Carlson moved for approval of a proclamation observing September 17-23, 2017 as Constitution Week in Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:11:56)

#### PUBLIC WORKS

2. Consider an order approving Conditional Use (CU) Case #17-012/Greenwood, Clerk's file #5729. – Joe Fennimore

# Summary of presentation:

- Conditional Use to change the occupant of temporary dwelling approved for medical hardship purposes approved by a previous conditional use;
- The property contains 54 acres zoned EFU land and is located on Santiam Loop SE, Aumsville;
- The hearings officer conducted a public hearing on May 3, 2017 and on June 27<sup>th</sup> issued a decision denying the request:
  - o The decision was appealed to the Board of Commissioners.
- The board accepted the appeal and on August 23, 2017, held a public hearing;
- After having considered all the information in the record and testimony given at the hearing, the board reversed the hearings officer's decision and granted the Conditional Use subject to meeting certain conditions:
  - o Require the hardship to be renewed on a yearly basis and also advises the applicant that the removal agreement filed in the original case is still in effect and once the hardship non-longer exists the dwelling must be removed within 90 days.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved for approval of an order approving Conditional Use (CU) Case #17-012/Greenwood, Clerk's file #5729. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:15:08)

#### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

2. Consider approval of an order accelerating the tax foreclosure redemption period for the property located at 795 Lancaster Drive SE, Salem. – Scott Norris, Laura Pekarek

# Summary of presentation:

- The property sits right at where Macleay Road ends on Lancaster Drive;
- Have several enforcement cases against the property that date back to 2011;
- Most cases involve solid waste:
  - Overgrown vegetation;
  - o Vagrancy on property; and
  - Fires.
- The property owner, Norma Radke, passed away in 2012 and left the property to her two adult sons:
- In 2013, a fire destroyed the kitchen and family room, which made the house uninhabitable;
- The banks started a foreclosure in 2015;
- Still had problems with vagrants breaking into the property and leaving solid waste;
- In 2016, Five Brothers Servicing Company no longer worked for the bank that was cleaning up the property;
- The bank no longer pursued foreclosure and the property laid vacant;
- Later in 2016, Code Enforcement received a phone call that another fire took place on the property, which destroyed the garage, family room and more of the kitchen;
- Code Enforcement posted the building as dangerous and hazardous;
- Since Marion County does not own the property, there is no way Code Enforcement can secure the property;
- What's left of the house is being used by squatters;

- Solid waste litters the property;
- This property is subject to the 2015 tax foreclosure judgment:
  - o By state law there is a two year redemption period between the time the county takes the judgment and the time the county can take the deed to the property;
  - o This is due to expire November 2017; and
  - o With this order, the redemption period will expire the first week of October.

## Board discussion:

- The county can clean it up once the county takes the deed;
- Finance Department is responsible for management of the property and ultimately sale of the property;
- The property can be auctioned before or after cleanup;
- East Salem Service District was instrumental in alerting Marion County to issues with the tree in the front of the house;
- The bank hasn't responded, but can still redeem the property within the 30 day redemption period;
- The commissioners have two options:
  - o Clean up the property, which is very expensive, and sell it; or
  - o Fence off the property and sell it as is at an auction.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Carlson moved for approval of an order accelerating the tax foreclosure redemption period for the property located at 795 Lancaster Drive SE, Salem. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried A voice vote was unanimous.

# PUBLIC HEARINGS 9:30 A.M.

Commissioner Brentano read the calendar.

Commissioner Brentano adjourned the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

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