

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Summary Minutes

Monday, March 20, 2017, 9:30 a.m. Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem 5th Floor, Suite 5232, Silverton Conference Room

ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Kevin Cameron, John Lattimer, Gloria Roy, Jeff White, Lisa Trauernicht, Barb Young, Jolene Kelley and Kenna West as recorder.

Absent: Commissioner Janet Carlson

John Lattimer called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL

Tax Foreclosed Property – ID #R76664

Summary of Presentation:

- Strip of property and the neighbor to the left is very interested in the property because the property was previously used as a driveway;
- Preference for private sale;
- Conditions for such sales are:
 - Property valued under \$15,000; and
 - Non-buildable.
- Property meets the above conditions;
- Process:
 - Send letter to all adjoining properties indicating property for sale and bids can be made;
 - Open 15 days; and
 - Highest bid wins.
- It was owned by the property on the right, cannot contact owner:
 - o Tenant living on the property on the right; and
 - Tenant also unable to contact owner.

Board Discussion:

• Sounds good.

Tax Foreclosed Property – ID #R13439

Summary of Presentation:

- Landlocked property;
- Previously belonged to the lot that is listed as 2200 Bryant Street;
- Flag ownership;
- Property 2200 went into bank foreclosure, but this property was inadvertently left out of the foreclosure by the bank;
- The person who purchased Property 2200 is interested in purchasing this property;
- Valued under \$15,000 and non-buildable; and
- Will complete process as discussed in ID #R76664

Board Discussion:

- Further clarification on the process requested;
- Process clarification:
 - Private sale;
 - List the back due property taxes and fees as the minimum bid; and
 - Accept whoever provides the highest written offer.
- Clarification as to the bank foreclosure:
 - Bank erred and did not foreclose on Property 2200.
- When a property is sold in situations such as this, one of the conditions is that the tax lots must be consolidated so there is not a problem like this in the future.
 - All one piece of property for tax lot purposes not in regard to property lines.

Tax Foreclosed Property – ID #R22972

- Summary of Presentation:
 - Sunnyview;
 - Just to the right there is a house that is not in the property owned by the county:
 - The owner of the adjoining property with the house has been waiting years to purchase this property;
 - It was one lot owned by two people;
 - Had a falling out and one of the owners partitioned the property currently owned by the county:
 - Includes the driveway, barn and outbuildings very dilapidated buildings; and
 - Current owner is incarcerated and defaulted on taxes.
 - Not buildable:
 - Although currently has buildings, those buildings were on the property prior to the partition; and
 - Lot too small to build based on zoning.
 - House immediately next to the property.

Tax Foreclosed Property – ID #R76163

- Summary Presentation:
 - Complicated;
 - There is a family currently living in this home;
 - Family will not respond;
 - Director of Finance actually knocked on the door even though there was a sticker on the door indicating a threat to anyone from the government who knocked on the door;
 - Spoke to the woman who answered who indicated they were interested in bringing the property taxes up to date; and
 - Since that time they have failed to respond to multiple phone calls, certified letters, etc.
 - Now requesting a Writ of Assistance to have the family removed from the property;
 - Power company issue because the meter is inaccessible;
 - There is a teenager in the home;
 - Writ of Assistance means that the Sheriff will go to property, provide the residents one hour to pack up and leave, the county will change the locks, then the people at the property can arrange for a time later to come back and remove their personal property; and
 - This is the last thing county wants to do, but have been given no other choice.

Board Discussion:

- The woman who answered the door claims she is the woman on the ownership record;
- Would be possible to go out again, but would prefer to take a Sheriff's Department representative along this time;
- Going out probably won't move this process along;

- Confirmed that the certified letters have been signed for by someone;
- \$12,000 +/- owed in back taxes;
- House is worth at least the \$12,000 taxes owed;
- After the writ is served the family will have a chance thereafter to pay the taxes and take back the home; and
- Confirmed to move forward with the Writ of Assistance.

Update to Policy 525 and Procedure 525-A: Animals in Marion County Owned or Leased Facilities

Summary of Presentation:

- Brought forward for review;
- Approved last March;
- Approved as Policy 525, but filed as Policy 213, which was a clerical error;
- Updated grammar and format errors; and
- No content changes.

Board Discussion:

- It is not allowed to have a hunting dog in a car sleeping and car parked in garage:
 - Prior problems with dogs being left in cars for several hours and those dogs "howling";
 - This is complaint driven; and
 - People believe the animals were not being treated humanely because left in cars all day.
- Will go before the Board under consent on Wednesday;
- Exception process:
 - o Contact Business Services Director or Sheriff for permission;
 - If policy violated:
 - Will locate person who has dog in vehicle;
 - Require person to take the dog home;
 - If will not take home then authorities will be contacted to take the dog;
 - Employees who violate the policy would be subject to progressive discipline:
 - First, told to remove the animal; and
 - Second, verbal warning.
 - Elected Officials are expected to comply and enforce the policy.

Legislative Update

Summary of Presentation:

- Tracking sheet provided;
- HB 2885 Expansion of the Board of Commissioner:
 - Has not moved; and
 - No hearing scheduled.
- HB 2554 Board signed letter of support last week:
 - Chemeketa Nursing Degree Program; and
 - Up this afternoon for first public hearing.
- SB 871 Asbestos lead based paint related bill:
 - Removal similar to asbestos removal;
 - o Currently, lead based paint not handled different than any other trash; and
 - Bill would make it more restrictive.
- Department of Education Bill was up last week and more hearings this week:
 - Has the juvenile crime prevention money for county juvenile.
- HB 5004 was up last week and this week:
 - Department of Corrections budget; and

- Sheriff testified on behalf of this for community corrections.
- SB 496 & SB 505 Grand Jury recordation bill:
 - Has a lot of momentum;
 - o Could be expensive to implement; and
 - Trying to have counties and district attorneys shoulder the responsibility of recording, retention and discovery of testimony which is very expensive.
- HJM 11 Commissioner Cameron meeting on HJM 11 today and wants a letter of support written;
- SB 968 Clerks bill:
 - Will nullify the MERS litigation that 14 counties are currently involved in;
 - Multnomah County pursued the litigation against the Mortgage Electronic Recording System and recovered \$9 million:
 - Marion County is a part of that claim; and
 - This bill would nullify the law suit.

Board Discussion:

- Will look for more information and make a determination as to position; and
- Our recovery would be about \$2 million reduced by contingent attorney fee and expenses.

Communications Update

- The Public Information Officer provided updates;
- PIO directed to send information and articles to SEDCOR for the magazine; and
- PIO directed to link the O&C Counties website to the county website.

Commissioners Committee Assignments and Updates

- Commissioner Brentano attended:
 - O&C Counties meetings.
- Commissioner Cameron attended:
 - Community meeting in Mill City;
 - AOC legislative reception;
 - Hubbard City Council;
 - Economic Development Advisory Board;
 - Drove Bunker Hill Road at constituent request:
 - Wants to find money for local improvement districts; and
 - Road needs a lot of work.
 - Also drove the Winter Creek Road:
 - Talking about tearing it out and repaving;
 - Seems to be in good repair except for one pot hole; and
 - There are other roads that need more work.
 - Oregon State Fair Council.

Adjourned at 10:19 am COMPLETED BY: **Kenna West** *Reviewed by: Sarra Sparks*