



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Minutes

Monday, November 26, 2018, 9:00 a.m.

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Janet Carlson, Kevin Cameron, and Sam Brentano, John Lattimer, Jan Fritz, Tom Rohlfing, Jane Vetto, Jeff White, Brian May, Scott Norris, Lisa Trauernicht, Joe Fennimore, Justine Flora, Warren Jackson, Tamra Goettsch, Brandon Reich, Barb Young, Lisa Trauernicht, Jolene Kelley, and Joanna Ritchie as Recorder.

GUEST:

Dylan Wells, Marion County Fair Board

John Lattimer called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

Solar Array Workgroup and Solar Rule Making Committees Update

- Joe Fennimore

Summary of presentation:

- Farm Bureau came in with their proposals:
 - Proposal states that no more than 35 percent of the solar array can be on Class I or II soils;
 - Next meeting is November 29, 2018:
 - If the group cannot come to a consensus, then there will be no consensus met.
- The state will deliver their rule-making on December 11, 2018.

Board discussion:

- The board is in favor of 35 percent.

Discuss Backyard Chicken Ordinance Amendment

- Joe Fennimore, Scott Norris

Summary of presentation:

- The county can amend Marion County Code, Chapter 6.15 to include single family zones:
 - Can add a provision in Acreage Residential zones that states fowl have to be confined to the property.
- This item will come back before the board at board session next week.

Urban and Rural Zone Code Updates

- Brandon Reich

Summary of presentation:

- The board initiated amendments to the Rural and Urban Zone Codes;
- On October 30, 2018, the Marion County Planning Commission held a public hearing to consider the amendments and have recommended them unanimously to the board to adopt; and
- Mr. Reich is seeking direction regarding next steps.

Board discussion:

- The commissioners want Mr. Reich to come to board session for a public hearing to consider the amendments.

Review Marion Resource Recovery Facility (MRRF) Franchise Agreement

- Brian May

Summary of presentation:

- Updated definitions to help manage the solid waste system;
- Added a definition for public haulers:
 - The current agreement only allows franchise haulers into the facility.
- Added definitions for residual management;
- Changed the terms to a 20-year fixed agreement;
- Created an annual review process with MRRF to address changes and flow requirements;
- Shifted the testing on a recoverable load to the back end product testing to ensure that all the recoverable can be pulled:
 - Make sure the residual that is left is truly garbage and needs to go for final disposal.
- Attached detailed rates and fees to the franchise agreement:
 - Outlines the maximum the MRRF can charge: and
 - Matches the transfer station pricing.
- Added language for the county to meet their obligation at Covanta to pull residual tons at any time they see fit to make sure the burner is kept full; and
- Will present the franchise agreement at board session.

Board discussion:

- The board sets the rates and fees, but they can be changed at any time.

Discuss Coordinating Solid Waste Work Session with the Salem City Council

- Brian May

Summary of presentation:

- On November 13, 2018, Salem City Council had a meeting addressing rate increases for franchise haulers in the Salem jurisdiction;
- The City of Salem has requested a work session with the board to discuss details of the rate increase;
- There is a meeting between the city council and county on December 17, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at city hall;

- The commissioners are envisioning the work session to be co-chaired between the mayor and Commissioner Carlson;
- The work session will be open to the public, and no public comment will be taken;
- The work session will be televised; and
- Mr. May will create an agenda for the meeting.

Board discussion:

- The commissioners would like Mr. May to provide information on transporting garbage to Arlington, Oregon:
 - The carbon footprint is being ignored in regards to transporting garbage far away and Marion County gets called on their carbon footprint using Covanta.

Review City of Jefferson’s Request to Purchase Real Property

- Jeff White

Summary of presentation:

- The first piece of property is a one-block area that is a forested wetland that the county obtained through tax foreclosure:
 - The property is non-developable;
 - The City of Jefferson would like to purchase it to build a boardwalk;
 - Wild turkeys are on the property;
 - City made an offer of \$5,000;
 - Taxes and fees on the property are more than \$10,000; and
 - The Assessor’s Office has the property valued at \$23,000.
- The second piece of property is on Main Street:
 - The city wants to make it a gateway entry with a kiosk;
 - It is a former gas station;
 - All buildings have been removed from the property;
 - The city made an offer of \$10,000:
 - It is contingent on the county performing the Department of Environmental Quality work that is required to be done to the property; and
 - If there is an intention to sell the property to the city, DEQ would do a light weight version of the study that needs to be done.
 - The past due taxes are \$19,600; and
 - The Assessor’s Office has valued the property at \$62,000.

Board discussion:

- DEQ will cover the cost of the studies; and
- The commissioners approved the offered prices of the property.

Discuss Re-appointment of Marion County Fair Board Members

- Tamra Goettsch

Summary of presentation:

- There are three members whose terms expire at the end of December 2018;

- Ms. Goettsch has been asked to bring the reappointments before the board for discussion for direction;
- Per state statute regarding fairs, all terms are to expire at the end of each calendar year:
 - The terms are for three years.
- The fair board voted for new leadership:
 - Joel Condor will serve as chair;
 - Nathan Leao will serve as vice-chair; and
 - Brandi Crandall will serve as treasurer.
- The fair board has a limit of seven members;
- The fair board has four key volunteers that have been appointed by the commissioners;
- If a vacancy becomes open on the fair board, the key volunteers would be next in line to fill the vacancy; and
- Ms. Goettsch is looking for direction on how to proceed with reappointments of fair board members.

Board discussion:

- Commissioner Carlson is in favor of reappointing the three members;
- Commissioner Brentano does not support reappointing one of the members;
- The commissioners are concerned with the lack of attendance with one of the members;
- The commissioners are concerned that if they remove certain individuals from the fair board, others will leave voluntarily, which would be a crisis situation for the fair; and
- Ms. Goettsch will go forward with the reappointments.

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:

- Attending the Juvenile Department meeting regarding improving food service and introducing a culinary program.

Meeting dismissed at 9:53 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Kristy Witherell**

Reviewed by: Joanna Ritchie