

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, August 8, 2018
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room
555 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97305

PRESENT: Commissioner Kevin Cameron and Commissioner Sam Brentano. Also present were Jane Vetto as county counsel, John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

ABSENT: Commissioner Janet Carlson

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

David Beem:

- Would like to have a drop in center in Marion County for mental health individuals.

CONSENT

(Video Time 0:05:08)

PUBLIC WORKS

Receive notice of hearings officer's decision approving Conditional Use (CU) Case #18-017/Greenpark Solar, LLC on property owned by Joanne and Larry Ross. Clerk's file #5752.

Receive notice of hearings officer's decision denying Conditional Use Case #18-025/Jennifer E. Hoefling, Trustee of the Jennifer E. Hoefling Revocable Living Trust Dated April 18, 2018.

TAX OFFICE

Approve an order canceling uncollectable personal property tax accounts in the amount of \$27,451.16.

Approve a property tax refund in the amount of \$51,788.64 to Panasonic Eco Solutions Solar America, LLC, Tax ID #R29389.

Approve a property tax refund in the amount of \$209,320.22 to Panasonic Eco Solutions Solar America, LLC, Tax ID #R349671.

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

ACTION

(Video Time 0:06:57)

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1. Consider approval of an order directing county counsel to file a Motion to Intervene on behalf of Marion County residents in the lawsuit entitled, *Northwest Environmental Defense Center et al v US Army Corps of Engineers et al.* – Jane Vetto

Summary of presentation:

- In March 2018, a federal lawsuit was filed;
- Seeking certain action regarding 13 dams on the Willamette River;
- Plaintiff is asking the court to order the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to install a temperature control device at the Detroit Dam;
- City of Salem has water rights in the North Santiam River;
- In June 2018, the city intervened in the lawsuit;
- If the temperature control device is built, it will negatively affect the residents of Salem due to lower water levels and quality of water;
- Board directed legal counsel to draft a motion to intervene, because the county would also be negatively impacted;
- Would also impact recreational economic interest;
- The county has been working through the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) process;
- Without joining the lawsuit the county will not have a voice in any resolutions reached regarding the Detroit Dam; and
- Motion to Intervene is before the board for approval or denial.

Board discussion:

- Will also affect the agriculture industry in Marion County;
- Commissioner Brentano attended the meeting with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers:
 - Army Corps has heard comments;
 - They still believe their plan is the best and are moving forward;
 - Provided an Environmental Impact Statement with an opportunity for comment;
 - Routed attendees to different stations for educational opportunities; and
 - No public opportunity for questions.
- Commissioner Brentano made a statement at the meeting that they are not listening, they are threatening to destroy Marion County cities and farms, and the county will fight them at every issue;
- A project engineer stated to the commissioners that they are looking at the wet build at 750 feet;
- No final conclusion;
- Oregon Senators need to be involved in the discussion;

- The commissioners wanted to add language in the motion describing the economic impacts to the agricultural community; and
- The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers did not expect this to be a problem to the agricultural industry or water users downstream.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of an order directing county counsel to file a Motion to Intervene on behalf of Marion County residents in the lawsuit entitled, *Northwest Environmental Defense Center et al v US Army Corps of Engineers et al* and add language that describes our agricultural impacts. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video time 0:17:00)

COMMUNITY SERVICES

2. Consider approval of the Contract for Services with Shelter Buddy in the amount of \$103,163 for implementation, support, and maintenance for an Animal Management Software System. – Tamra Goetsch, Scott Emry, and Danielle Gonzalez

Summary of presentation:

- An opportunity to inform the public how this service is beneficial to them, as well as to the operations of the shelter;
- The commissioners granted authorization to the shelter to oversee the county code and shelter operations through Marion County Code Chapter 6.05;
- Shelter operations consist of:
 - Licensing;
 - Providing care for lost and stray dogs;
 - Unredeemed dogs become property of the county;
 - Alternative services and support provided through fostering and adoption; and
 - Work with local rescues.
- In October 2015, the department was notified by Information Technology (IT) staff that their Integrated Animal Management System (IAMS) was experiencing many failures;
- Much time and energy was expended on fixing issues;
- A Capital Improvement Project (CIP) proposal was created;
- Has been in budget for the past couple years for implementation;
- Difficulties mapping out needs when going from in-house build to existing software programs;
- The hope is to improve efficiencies with the new program Shelter Buddy;
- Doing a lot of alternative practices in-house because IAMS does not have tracking capabilities;
- Alters procedures in caring for animals;
- With new the software, it will have changes to fit flow of system;
- Will reduce IT staff time;
- Opportunity to look at internal and external process efficiencies and workflows when sending out RFP;
- IT has worked on transitioning from IAMS to Shelter Buddy;
- Ability to pull better reports;

- Shift response of immediate concerns from IT to Shelter Buddy staff;
- Not only a software program, but also includes case management and health care records;
- Reduced annual costs with the new program and gives more operational efficiency;
- Ease of use for citizens and field operations;
- Integrates with Teller (Point of Sale system);
- Low risk project;
- Short cycle project; and
- Easy to implement.

Board discussion:

- The commissioners wanted to know if customers will be able to purchase licenses through their vet office;
- Goal is to have end user make online purchases;
- Vet partners are very important;
- Provides 27 percent of licensing for the county;
- Some offices are not technologically savvy;
- The overall timeline of implementation is six months;
- Will need to run the two systems at the same time for about a one month cycle; and
- It should be a couple months to get everything up and running.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of the Contract for Services with Shelter Buddy in the amount of \$103,163 for implementation, support, and maintenance for an Animal Management Software System. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video time 0:36:16)

PUBLIC WORKS

3. Consider approval of the Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$177,040 with Brown Contracting Inc. for the North Marion County Transfer Station Concrete floor repair. – Brian May

Summary of presentation:

- Facilities are starting to show age;
- North Marion Transfer Station has seen double digit growth in the last two years of over 20 percent;
- Originally bid this in March 2018:
 - Received two bids;
 - One was \$240,000 in excess of total budget;
 - Other did not provide proper documentation; and
 - Had to reevaluate project.
- Scope of the new bid was half of the original;
- Focused on high impact areas:
 - Excess damages to roll off boxes; and
 - Transfer station floor.
- Bids were received June 12, 2018;

- Bid was approved with no protests;
- This is part of what is to come as other facilities are repaired;
- Updated an improvement project proposal in supplemental budget;
- From a customer service standpoint, will continue to have access Monday through Saturday, and temporary relocation; and
- Looking at an eight day maximum.

Board discussion:

- The purpose of the transfer station is to allow customers easy access for disposal and recycling;
- Critical to handle material in the best way;
- As incineration fills to capacity, looking for new ways to process materials to get as much recovery as possible;
- Beginning this year, materials are being directed to Marion Resource Recovery Facility for processing;
- Recovering wood, metal, cardboard, and any commodity that has value in order to avoid it being sent to the incinerator;
- Recovery rates of 20 to 30 percent at Salem-Keizer Recycling and Transfer Station (SKRTS); and
- Working with Republic Services on better access to facility for all services provided.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of the Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$177,040 with Brown Contracting Inc. for the North Marion County Transfer Station Concrete floor repair. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS
9:30 A.M.**

None.

Commissioner Cameron read the calendar.
Commissioner Cameron adjourned the meeting at 9:55 a.m.

Not Present At Meeting

CHAIR

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