

+BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, January 22, 2014

9:00 a.m.

Commissioners' Board Room
1115 Commercial Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

PRESENT: Commissioner Sam Brentano, Commissioner Patti Milne, and Commissioner Janet Carlson. Also present were John Lattimer as chief administrative officer, Gloria Roy as county counsel and Kim Hulett as recorder.

MOTION: Commissioner Milne moved to remove the public hearing item from the board agenda and reschedule it for a later date. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Brentano noted that there was testimony received from Laurie Boyce regarding the public hearing.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

CONSENT

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Approve an order appointing Dick Withnell to the Marion County Children and Families Commission to a term ending January 31, 2018.

Approve an order appointing Deryk Kernan and reappointing Alice Berntson, Jerry Bumgarner, Jason Herber, and Tracy Warren to the Marion County Compensation Board for a one-year term ending December 31, 2014.

Approve an order correcting the legal description and map for withdrawal of one parcel of land located in Linn County from the Jefferson Park & Recreation District.

BUSINESS SERVICES – HUMAN RESOURCES

Approve pay range adjustments for:

- contracts specialist from 06.C49 to 06.C50;
- senior contracts specialist from 06.C51 to 06.C53; and,
- senior administration services manager from 02.A26 to 02.A28.

HEALTH

Consider approval of amendments to the following contracts to provide outpatient mental health services through the Integrated Delivery System program and extend the term through December 31, 2014:

- amendment #3 Northwest Human Services to add \$553,085;
- amendment #4 Valley Mental Health to add \$3,375,892;
- amendment #4 Bridgeway Recovery Services, Inc. to add \$189,088;
- amendment #4 Options Counseling Services of Oregon, Inc. to add \$1,747,985;
- amendment #4 Catholic Community Services, Inc. to add \$780,720; and,
- amendment #4 New Perspectives Center for Counseling & Therapy LLC to add \$2,580,074.

Approve amendment #2 to add \$103,000 to the contract with John Michael Sholar, PMHNP, to provide psychiatric mental health nurse practitioner services for the adult behavioral health program.

SHERIFF

Approve amendment #1 to reduce the Oregon Emergency Management State Homeland Security Grant base funding from \$237,427 to \$103,840 and extends the grant period to June 30, 2014.

TAX COLLECTOR

Approve an order authorizing a property tax refund to Donahue Schriber Realty Group, LP in the amount of \$19,791.98.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of the consent calendar. Seconded by Commissioner Milne; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

ACTION

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1. Consider approval of an order approving the revised second restated Oregon Garden Foundation Bylaws. – Sara McDonald

Research and Policy Manager Sara McDonald stated that the Board of Commissioners is being asked to approve the revised second restated Oregon Garden Foundation bylaws, along with the City of Silverton and Chemeketa Community College. She said the bylaws were last revised in 2007 and the major change is that the foundation is no longer in court receivership so that language was deleted. Oversight by Marion County, the City of Silverton and Chemeketa Community College would still be provided throughout several areas of the bylaws and the Board of Commissioners would continue to approve the annual budget for the foundation. She said that another change in the bylaws was related to the quorum. There are five members of the board and the quorum was set at four. The Marion County Board of Commissioners appoints three members to the board and the City of Silverton and Chemeketa both appoint one member. Ms. McDonald said that because the board is so small it seemed appropriate to reduce the number for a quorum to three. At least one of the members in the quorum has to be the board member representing the City of Silverton or a non-board member designee for the city. Ms. McDonald said that membership in Article 4, Section 1 was deleted. It stated that membership of the corporation shall consist of three types: (i) governing members; (ii) community members; and (iii) honorary members. It now reads that the members of the corporation are the county, city, and Chemeketa Community College.

Commissioner Brentano commented that it was frustrating when business could not be conducted at foundation board meetings because there was lack of a quorum.

MOTION: Commissioner Milne moved approval of an order approving the revised second restated Oregon Garden Bylaws. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

2. Consider approval of a resolution initiating a petition to form a Marion County Extension and 4-H Service District. – Tami Goettsch, Derek Godwin

Interim Community Services Director Tami Goettsch said that the county has organized its support for Oregon State University (OSU) Extension and its services through the Community Services Department. The county provides an annual allocation to OSU Extension of \$348,000 per year and has been a consistent funding source for OSU Extension to provide services to the community. Ms. Goettsch said that despite Marion County's stable funding over the years, OSU Extension has experienced deep reductions in its state and federal funding resources and requested that the commissioners sign a resolution in support of a Proposal for an Initiative Petition to form a Marion County Extension and 4-H Service District. Ms. Goettsch explained that she is the county liaison to the Citizens of Marion County Extension (CMCE) and introduced members as: Paul Thomas, Kelly Walther, Pamela Rose, Cara Fischer, Chuck Adams, and John Burt. OSU Extension West Central Regional Administrator Derek Godwin said several members were not able to attend today and they are Rick Gaupo, Emily Ackland, Ron Hays, and Paul Gehlar. Ms. Goettsch said that the Marion County Board of Commissioners currently serves as the board for the OSU Extension and if this service district is approved by the voters that service would continue.

Farmers Ending Hunger Executive Director John Burt said that the Citizens for Marion County Extension are a group of dedicated people who have a variety of involvement with the OSU Extension Service. He said this group has been meeting for over a year and there is a proposed resolution for the board's approval to assist in this effort. He assured the board that this would be successful and provide a long-term, sustainable funding source. Mr. Burt said he appreciated the support from the commissioners.

Commissioner Carlson confirmed that the group is targeting the May 2015 election and asked about the steps that need to happen after this resolution. Mr. Godwin said there are three parts to the process. The first part is having a lot of conversation with key stakeholders, supporting groups, and volunteers to ensure awareness. The next step is visiting with each city in Marion County and obtaining signed resolutions if there is a desire to be part of the service district. In addition, there is a gathering petition that needs to be done approximately 180 days prior to the May 2015 election. He said the third step is the actual campaign to bring it towards the election.

Commissioner Milne asked Mr. Godwin to review the cities signing on or opting out process and how many signatures would be needed in the petition process. Mr. Godwin said the boundaries of the service district are defined, which is the county. He said that each of the cities has an option to either opt-in or opt-out of the service district. He said the approach is to visit each of the cities with a resolution and the city votes whether or not to be part of the service district. If a city opts-in, it allows their voters to vote on the service district during the May 2015 election. If the city decides to opt-out, they are not included as part of the service district and their residents would not vote on the district. If a city wanted the services, but opted-out a different fee would be paid. He said that there are 21 counties in Oregon that now have service districts for extension services. Mr. Godwin said there are two counties in the process

and Marion County would be the third in 2015. Mr. Godwin added that Marion County would have the largest number of cities in a service district. He said the number of signatures to be gathered is 15 percent of the voters from the previous gubernatorial election. Mr. Godwin said the official number would be approximately 15,500 signatures, however, more signatures would be gathered because there might be some that are invalid. He said the goal is to gather approximately 20,000 signatures.

Mr. Godwin said the timeline for this service district is quite strict and once the paperwork has been filed, gathering of signatures will begin within the 180 day timeframe, roughly May through September. Commissioner Carlson confirmed that one path was the gathering of signatures and the alternate path is that the commissioners would place it on the ballot. She asked Mr. Godwin to explain the pros and cons of each path. Mr. Godwin said this is an agricultural education service district and there are specific statutes related to it. He said since the district covers the county and because of the statutes, the commissioners have the choice of either referring directly to the voters or having it go through petition. He said it is up to the commissioners to decide which path is taken. Mr. Godwin said that the group is planning to gather the signatures and are planning for the most challenging scenario. Mr. Godwin said that most recently Linn, Polk, and Clackamas Counties have created service districts. He said that Linn and Polk Counties went through the petition process and Polk County gathered approximately 8,000 signatures and Linn gathered approximately 11,000 signatures. He said that the Clackamas County Board of Commissioners did a referral to the ballot.

Commissioner Carlson asked if there was an opportunity for the commissioners to refer this to the ballot if enough signatures were not gathered. Mr. Godwin said the commissioners have the choice of which path to take by November and then the paperwork could be filed. Commissioner Carlson asked what reasons are communicated to the cities or individuals to support the service district. Mr. Godwin said discussion is centered on three key points and those are farms, food systems, and 4-H. He said the cities are told that the extension has for the last 100 years been providing specific support to the farms and family forest landowners and businesses to help improve practices to stay and grow their businesses. He said the food systems discussions include the farm side of creating markets and ensuring that the products and food can serve local markets as well. Mr. Godwin said that food systems also include food security, preservation, and healthy living, as well as the Master Gardener program. He said the third item discussed is the long history of working with 4-H and providing life and work skills for youth to help them become productive during their life.

Commissioner Brentano asked if the county would opt-in for the unincorporated areas. County Counsel Gloria Roy said the group will try to get as many of the cities to participate as possible to set the boundaries. She added you cannot send it to election until the boundaries are set. She said if the board was going to use the referral method the timing would have to be discussed because there are public hearings that are required to be held for the formation of a new district.

Commissioner Milne asked if it was possible that if a city were to opt-out and then over time if the district passes, could the city later request to opt back in. Ms. Roy confirmed and said that at this point the process would be annexation. She said there is a process for both annexation and withdrawal later on.

Commissioner Brentano commented that the 4-H program was so important to his family.

Commissioner Milne said she was proud of where the Citizens for Marion County Extension group were today. She said this process is a good approach and the conversations in the communities are vital. She said she did not feel the board should take the lead on this service district.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved approval of a resolution initiating a petition to form a Marion County Extension and 4-H Service District: Seconded by Commissioner Milne; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

The commissioners then read the resolution.

PUBLIC HEARING
9:30 A.M.

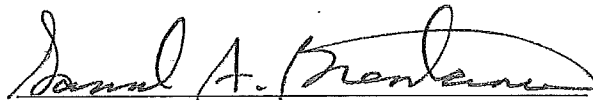
PUBLIC WORKS - PLANNING

A. Public hearing to consider extension of water from the City of Aurora to the Aurora Airport. –
Brandon Reich

This item was removed from agenda by motion at the beginning of the meeting.

Commissioner Brentano read the calendar.

Commissioner Brentano adjourned the meeting at 9:51 a.m.



CHAIR



COMMISSIONER