



Management Update summary Minutes

OREGON

September 12, 2023. 9:30 AM

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem
5th Floor, Suite 5232, Commissioners Board Room

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Colm Willis, and Kevin Cameron Staff: Jan Fritz, Matt Lawyer, Alvin Klausen, Shawnnell Fuentes, Matt Neuvenheim, Katrina Griffith, Debbie Wells, Jeff White, Ryan Matthews, Ryan Wallace, Andrew Derschon, Lori Klemsen, Lauri Wooley, Tamara Goettsch, Greg Walsh, William White, Justin Flora, Sherry Downs, Brian Nicholas, Jane Vetto, Jon Heynen and Chad Ball.

Commissioner Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

Applicant No. 20125 for Recommendation of Liquor License at 3180 Lancaster Dr. NE, Salem OR 97301

-Brian Wallace

Summary of presentation:

- In May of 2023 Remy's Nightclub liquor license revocation was finalized due to public safety issues;
 - There were 42 reports in 2022 including the following calls;
 - Fights;
 - Disturbances; and
 - Shots fired;
- In August 2023 an application was submitted for the same location and same style of business;
 - The same issues will arise;
- Based on previous activity this applicant can be denied as the activity is similar;
- The denial of Remy's relied on the authority of the Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC);
 - There is a solid case for this based on a current case in Benton county;
- The OLCC has the final authority on the denial the board and the Sheriff's office can recommend denial;
- The previous business drained substantial resources from patrol units;
- This is not the first time this location/license has changed names;
- Originally this establishment was called El Rio Nilo;
 - The same issues existed under this name;
- The issues stem from the hours and overservice of alcohol;
- In 2022 there was a call every weeknight causing OLCC to be involved and suspending their license;
 - Eventually going through the board and their license being revoked;
- There is a similar case in Corvallis with a nightclub;
 - The business changing names when their license is denied or revoked;

- The problem has been resolved by not allowing a new license at the location;
- There is no proof that the previous and the current applicant are connected;
 - This does not mean they are not in business together or friends;
- The business closes at one or two in the morning and the attendees spill into the parking lot continuing into the morning;
- The health department has received an application for food service;
- This business location has been denied several times and last year was the first time OLCC has agreed with denial;
- The applicant has retained an attorney that deals with business law and guidance may be provided;
- OLCC, in the past, provided consultation on how to manage business under compliance; and
- Not sure if OLCC has a timeframe in between or requires a large change in the business model to allow a new business to open.

Board Direction:

- The Board of Commissioners (BOC) would like to process with recommending denial.

Countywide Radio Project Special Procurement Authorization

-Brian Nicholas

Summary of presentation:

- The Request for Procurement (RFP) is almost ready to be advertised;
- The plan is to use a mix of price and non-price selection criteria for the radio vendor;
- The process will mirror the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CMGC) process;
 - The board will schedule a public hearing and conduct it;
 - The Contract Review Board (CRB) will accept the contract with the county's best interest;
- Would like to come to board session on September 20, 2023, to establish the findings for exemption will be presented and a board order establishing a hearing on October 11, 2023;
- On October 11, 2023, the hearing will be held and the CRB can accept or deny the findings of exemption;
- If approved procurement will be advertised on October 13, 2023;
- Price is a big portion of the selection criteria and agencies do not use low bidding for this type of project;
 - This is a large and complex system;
 - The vendor will propose a price and design of the system;
 - Low bid will be the cheapest but not the technical solution needed;
- Technical specifications are performance criteria and if they do not happen the contractor will need to ensure it does;
 - It will not be accepted if it will not meet performance specifications;
- Radio Technology Services (RTS) and ADCOMM Engineering are the technical experts and the owner's representatives;
- There is about a month until advertisement;
 - Financial and legal review of the contract will be done;
 - There is seven pages of certifications needed;

- ADCOMM Engineering has an expert with hands on experience of radio system work; and
- Radio Technology Services has an expert with system deployment experience.

Board Direction:

- Need to ensure that the system will work how it is promised it will;
 - There have been instances in the county where items promised were not delivered in other projects;
 - A mechanism needs to be in place to prevent this;
- What the board puts in writing needs to be comfortable and at the end of the project everything works;
- Jane Vetto to walk through with the board what the protections are in the process ; and
- The BOC is good to proceed.

Ambulance Service Area Application Renewal for Franchise Assignment

-Katrina Griffith, Matt Neuenheim

Summary of presentation:

- The application period for franchisee closed September 5, 2023, and all ten applications were received;
- The recommendation is to move forward with granting the franchisees the ASA's;
- The next step is a public hearing, considering the applications;
- After application approval it would go ahead with the franchise contracts;
- The contracts will go to Management Update and Board Session in October;
- ASA's looked at templates of the franchise agreement to give feedback and have their legal counsels look at it;
- The applications go through the ASA's staffing model, insurance and vehicle requirements, and other services provided;
 - This was used to move forward with the contracts;
- A contract is needed between the franchisee and county which includes;
 - Boundaries, agreements to operate non-emergency and emergency transportation, and additional subcontractor language;
- There will be a public hearing September 27, 2023; and
- The effective date will be January 1, 2024, for a five-year term.

Board Direction:

- Send the franchise agreements to the BOC; and
- The BOC is good to proceed.

Salem Health Mental Health Screening Contract

-Debbie Wells

Summary of presentation:

- This will come to board session September 20, 2023;
- There has been a long relationship with Salem Health with crisis support provided helping so the hospital is not overwhelmed;
- The contract adds one year and \$100,000;
- Marion County provides back up coverage for mental health assessments;
 - Working as contractors, under hospital rules, in the emergency room;
- The agreement allows access to the hospital's Epic system;
- The hospital would like to see what services will be provided with the new Marion County Health and Human Services building;
 - Services will continue to be provided to the hospital as it is close;

- The move in date to the new building is around February 2024;
- Year to date there have been 58 visits to the hospitals;
 - Staffing shortages have impacted visits; and
- Last year there was 124 visits.

Board Direction:

- Provide the board with numbers regarding visits and times unable to visit;
- If reporters contact the health department the BOC would like to be involved; and
- The BOC is good to proceed.

MC & MCLEA Health Insurance Study Committee (HISC) Recommendations

-Lori Klemsen

Summary of presentation:

- The Marion County Law Enforcement Association HISC recommends staying with PacificSource PPO plan, Kaiser HMO, Kaiser Dental and Delta Dental;
 - No changes were recommended;
- Marion County HISC recommends stay with PacificSource High Deductible Health Plan, PacificSource PPO plan, Kaiser Dental, and Delta Dental;
 - It recommends staying with Kaiser HMO but have some plan design changes minimizing out of pocket costs;
 - This is the only change
- Initially the PacificSource renewal came in at 8.9 percent and was negotiated to 2.7 percent for 2024 with a rate cap of 9.5 percent for 2025;
- The initial Kaiser renewal rate was 15.9 percent and negotiated to 13.6 percent;
 - They were unwilling to go lower;
 - Kaiser sets trend numbers early in the year;
 - There was a decrease in 2023;
 - Kaiser is making up for it in 2024 with a large increase;
- Kaiser costs are taking place because of the following impacts;
 - Prescription trends are nine percent increasing because of medical trends;
 - Normally the trend is four to five percent this year it is nine to 10 percent;
 - It is a closed system owing facilities, employing doctors and nurses;
 - They are far more impacted by labor and staffing shortages causing costs to increase;
- Employees on the Kaiser HMO plan, currently, are paying \$26.42 per month;
 - Next year this will be \$205.44 per month;
- The team went to Kaiser to see if there were any other plans, there are two;
 - The first has a \$750 deductible versus \$500, an increase of \$250;
 - The second has a \$1,000 deductible;
- The recommended option has the following;
 - No monthly premium;
 - \$1,000 deductible instead of \$500;
 - Family deductible is \$3,000 instead of \$1,500;
 - Out-of-pocket costs for diagnostic x-rays, labs and imaging;
 - Currently x-rays and labs are \$15 per visit and imaging is \$100;
 - The new plan is 20 percent after the deductible is met;
- Savings with Providence are not so significant to warrant the possible disruption;
 - The report from Brown and Brown stated the disruption would be minimal;
 - HISC was uneasy with potential prescriptions or doctors not being covered;
- Providence had three PacificSource plans they were bidding on;

- The MC HISC PPO plan has the most enrollees and would increase with a move to Providence;
- The MCLEA PPO and MC HDHP plan would see savings;
- Overall premium difference was not large;
- Concern of most enrollees seeing an increase with Providence;
- The disruption report includes how claims from providers would be processed under Providence;
- New insurers may look at individuals in treatment currently, creating a gap in services;
- The first Kaiser plan looked into is as follows;
 - It has a \$750 deductible with other out of pocket costs;
- Benefits team needs to inform employees about the flexible spending account;
 - Allowing employees to put money aside pre-tax for health expenses;
- PacificSource offered a \$250,000 premium credit this year and next year;
- The allocation of the premium credit was distributed as follows;
 - The total number of PacificSource enrollees is 621;
 - The \$250,000 was divided by 621 and the amount was \$402.58;
 - The 402.58 is divided by 12 months with the monthly savings of \$33.55;
 - The \$33.55 is divided by two with the total of \$16.78;
 - The premium is paid in two checks;
 - Premium Credit can be used in any way;and
- Will postpone board session and set up a work session.

Board Direction:

- Send information on how many have Kaiser and PacificSource to the BOC;
- Send the Providence plan and disruption report to the BOC;
 - Including a list of how many providers and prescriptions not covered;
 - Need to make the unknown as known as possible and avoid delays as much as possible; and
- The Premium credit needs to be further discussed.
- Set-up Work Session

Great Shakeout Earthquake Drill on 10/19 at 10:19 a.m.

-William W. White

Summary of presentation:

- Emergency Management has joined so departments county-wide are served;
- Emergency Management has registered with the Great Shakeout for their portion;
- The courthouse square building will participate, and other buildings encouraged to do so;
- Departments and buildings will be given the tools needed to participate and then have follow up for improvement;
- This is not an evacuation drill but a one-minute earthquake drill;
 - There will be audio playing over the intercom for 57 seconds;
 - Floor monitors and safety committee members will let departments know how it went;
 - Then have a quick debrief in the risk education room afterwards;
- This would be done at a level two drill participation;
- The Shake Out posters will be posted within departments such as break and work rooms;
- Marion County Emergency Management has done the Shake Out for years;
- This event reminds that this is an earthquake area and to be better prepared;

- Using safety committees to have a countywide approach instead of one building;
- There has not always been feedback post drill and would like to be more engaged this year;
- There will be communication sent encouraging departments and areas to register online; and
- The process takes one minute, and it is encouraged to have a safe area but participants do not have to go under the desks.

Board Direction:

- The BOC is good to proceed.

Investment Policy Adoption

-Sherry Downs, Jeff White

Summary of presentation:

- Statutorily, investments allowed to have maturity greater than 18 months must be annually adopted;
- There are no changes to the policy;
- There are updates to procedures based on recommendations from the Oregon Short Term Fund Board;
 - Last year the policy was adopted before it was sent to Oregon Short Term Fund Board as they are required to review it and adoption is required;
 - The Oregon Short Term Fund Board has not authority but can recommend;
- Changes are as follows;
 - The total amount of funds falling within the scope of this policy over the next three years is expected to range between \$200 million and \$350 million;
 - The highest balance had was \$235 million and currently \$185 million;
 - The county will use certain ratings for S&P, Moody's, and Fitch and meet minimum grades AA-/Aa3/AA- depending on industry;
 - Certificates of deposits maximum per issuer was previously Not Available (N/A) and is now 10 percent;
 - Limits repurchase agreements to 10 percent;
- This will come to board session in a few weeks; and
- There was about \$700,000 in interest last year.

Board Direction:

- The BOC is good to proceed.

Representative Mannix Community Meeting Request

-Alvin Klausen

Summary of presentation:

- A neighborhood association brought a concern to Representative Kevin Mannix;
 - There is concern of many dirty needles on the Willamette River banks;
- Rep. Mannix would like to host an in person or virtual meetings with other representatives including;
 - City of Salem;
 - City of Keizer;
 - Marion County;
 - Polk County;
 - Law enforcement;
 - A public health representative;
 - A representative from the neighborhood association;

- The goal is to set-up a trained clean-up crew to clean the banks of the river;
- Marion County has jurisdiction on the water which is given to the Polk County Marine Patrol;
- Marion County has jurisdiction of a small bank area of the Keizer Rapids area;
- The BOC received an email from the neighborhood association;

Board Direction:

- The city needs to make a coordinated plan, leading and inviting other to the table;
- Commissioner Cameron and Mr. Klausen can attend the meeting

Legislative Update:

-Alvin Klausen

Summary of presentation:

- Association of Oregon Counties (AOC) meetings;
 - Focus on short session for priorities;
 - County Assessment Function Funding Assistance (CAFFA)
 - Currently 10 percent operations;
 - Currently \$9 a document would need to increase to \$45;
 - Property taxes held back at 3.5 percent;
 - Change timely payment discount from 3 percent to 2.6 percent;
 - Supreme court ruling on foreclosures;
 - Counties unable to take remaining balance;
 - Concern if this will be retro-dated;
 - Counties want to know where surplus funds can go to
- Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP);
 - Council of Forest Trust Counties met with the Governor’s Senior Natural Resources Advisor;
 - No proposal for compensation from Governor’s office;
 - Governor’s office trying to help but the decision is with the Board of Forestry;
 - Commissioner Cameron testified at the Oregon Board of Forestry;
 - Businesses advocated for more timber;
 - Environmentalist did not want to change anything;
 - The resolution was tabled by the chair;
 - Governor is trying to make a deal, but money is only part of the problem;
 - The motion was expanding harvest but there were flaws; and
 - The Department of Forestry does not need to go to the Board of Forestry to approve changes.

Board Direction:

- AOC Meetings;
 - Funding;
 - Jan Fritz will bring up other funding sources to AOC;
- Commissioner Cameron Testifying; and
- Mr. Klausen will send notes to the BOC from the committee meetings.

COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE

-Jon Heynen

Summary of presentation:

- Willamette Week Article;
 - Mossman order;

- Press release happening today;
- Marion County Today;
 - Edits done;
 - Send to Eagle Web today to be sent out next week;
- CGI Digital;
 - Script was reworked;
 - Looked over by the end of the day today;
- Survey;
 - Previous survey was done as a personal service and no Request for Quote (RFQ) was needed; and
 - Previous survey was 40 questions.

Board Direction:

- Marion County Today;
 - Ensure it will be the correct shade of blue;
 - Will be looked at and given by today;
 - Make a larger advertisement for the Sheriff's Office hiring;
- Survey;
 - Questions need to be the same as the last survey;
 - The BOC will look at the previous survey to decide questions;
 - Get quote from company with the following criteria;
 - 40 questions;
 - Sample size 500 adults with four percent buffer room; and
 - The parameters will be used to see if a personal survey or a RFQ will be done.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

Commissioner Danielle Bethell

- N/A

Commissioner Kevin Cameron

- N/A

Commissioner Colm Willis

- N/A

OTHER

- N/A

Adjourned – time: 11:00 am

Minutes by: Mary Vityukova

Reviewed by: Gary L. White