

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Minutes

OREGON

Monday, May 24, 2021, 9:00 a.m.

Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Salem 5th Floor, Suite 5231, Commissioners Boardroom

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis, Laurie Steele, Jan Fritz, Brian Nicholas, Tamra Goettsch, Brandon Reich, Chris Trussell, Kent Inman, Scott Norris, Barb Young, Matt Lawyer, Jessica Stanton, Chad Ball, Jolene Kelley, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

Jan Fritz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

Discuss a Proposed Ordinance Establishing County Survey and Plat Standards

- Brian Nicholas, Kent Inman

Summary of presentation:

- Oregon statute addresses survey platting and filing processes;
- The statute leaves it up to the county surveyor through ordinance to declare any portions of the process;
- Most counties have an ordinance that defines aspects of prefiling processes:
 - Marion County has never had an ordinance.
- This ordinance will enforce the filing standards;
- The proposed ordinance covers all of Marion County;
- It only pertains to maps submitted to the surveyor's office;
- Wanting to get the county standards to be finalized as an ordinance, so the surveyor can enforce it; and
- This does not create barriers for property owners.

Board discussion:

- The board can adopt an ordinance that states any policy changes need to come before the board for approval:
 - ORS changes do not need to come before the board for review.
- This item will come before the board at Board Session for consideration.

Ice Storm/Beachie Creek/COVID-19 Update

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Summary of presentation:

Brian Nicholas:

• The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has not updated their website for clean up:

- Only showing 41 percent of Marion County properties having been cleaned up.
- Submitting Ice Storm request for public assistance reimbursement into the FEMA portal later this week;
- ODOT is anticipating their deadline for submissions of rights of entry forms will be the beginning of July:
 - Commissioner Bethell asked that Scott McClure be given this information so he can get the message out in the canyon.

Tamra Goettsch:

- Still working with MASTT:
 - Working with people that have not heard about needing to fill out right of entry forms;
 - As Ms. Goettsch identifies property owners getting frustrated with the process, she tries to direct them to the right department/agency;
 - Has a call into Melissa with SIT about the Turnkey Project:
 - There are 58 individuals still in hotels:
 - Those who were pre-fire homeless, are not part of the count:
 - They have been transitioned to the Community Action Agency, and would be eligible for the Turnkey Project.
 - Having concerns with housing wildfire victims and homeless individuals in the hotels together;
 - Bridgeway Hotel in Sublimity is not an option for Turnkey Project; and
 - The Super 8 Hotel in Salem is eligible for Turnkey Project.

Joint Marion County/Detroit Town Hall:

- Had a great turn out;
- Had a couple of questions regarding properties;
- Was a positive atmosphere and approach;
- There are some concerns with fire suppression in the canyon:
 - The commissioners are working with the State Fire Marshal's Office to put together a meeting to discuss this topic.
- The constituents asked about fire sirens in the city:
 - In House Bill 2137, there is money set aside for fire sirens; and
 - Mr. Nicholas will come back in a couple of weeks at Management Update to discuss.
- There is a need for the Forestry Department to participate more in the community:
 - They were supposed to be in attendance; and
 - It is not uncommon for them to be unresponsive.
- There are issues with the post office not being open;
- The grocery store is open, but it is open for limited shifts; and
- The residents of Detroit and Idanha are having trouble finding the application for the gas card for Mark Nelson Oil Products:
 - Suggested having the forms at the grocery store.

Brandon Reich & Chris Trussell:

- Will not delay building permits for historic lot lines or septic permits;
- Public Works created a document that outlines the septic and building permit process:
 - Will distribute the information to the public via social media.

OTHER:

Jolene Kelley:

- SEDCOR is wanting to set the date for State of the County:
 - The commissioners decided on March 9, 2022.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE:

Summary of presentation:

- Senate Bill 464:
 - Working with Mr. Garrett on the call to action; and
 - Needing Linn County's okay on the call to action.
- HB 3127 wildfire funding bill:
 - Moving out of committee on Friday;
 - Trying to get everything finalized monetarily;
 - Working with Danielle Gonzalez and the engineer on the canyon sewer system to find out an estimate of the sewer system for the first 12-18 months of construction:
 - It is \$24.5 million;
 - The funding may come from lottery bonds;
 - May take up to two years for those bonds to be issued;
 - Wanting to get this information to Mr. Garrett so when the bill goes to Ways and Means, they will be able to figure out the different funding streams for wildfire dollars; and
 - Ideally, would like to fund the project up front with American Recovery Act dollars, or General Fund dollars, and may backfill with lottery bonds later in the project.
- At the federal level, things are heating up:
 - Energy, plastic recycling, and green energy;
 - Senator Wyden has a Green Energy for America bill;
 - In the House, there is a Green Act bill that will be going to Congressman Schrader's committee;
 - Senator Merkley has a Plastics Recycling bill;
 - All of these bills are targeting the elimination of the waste to energy as a renewable resource;
 - Will draft a letter for the commissioners to sign;
 - Will pull information regarding the good things that Covanta is doing around recycling and waste to energy;
 - Project Juno is getting closer with negotiations:
 - There has not been a production run, but they have done a lot of testing.

COMMISSIONERS COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND UPDATES:

Danielle Bethell:

- The commissioners have been receiving emails regarding the Auburn Park;
- The Economic Development Coordinator position closes this week and the commissioners would like to participate in the interview process;
- Commissioner Bethell would like Mr. McClure to attend the Management Update meetings to give updates of what is happening with recovery up the canyon; and
- Attended a ride along with the Sheriff's Office up the Canyon.

Kevin Cameron:

- Attended Tea with the Commissioners with the Sheriff's Office;
- The weekly FEMA Briefing for Local Officials will be changed to every other week and the name will be changed to the Marion County Wildfire Update:
 Scott McClure will be in charge of running the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

COMPLETED BY:	Kristy Witherell
Reviewed by:	Melissa Rounds