



OREGON

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

# Management Update Minutes

**Monday, January 6, 2020, 9:00 a.m.**

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

## ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Sam Brentano, and Colm Willis, Jan Fritz, Jane Vetto, Jeff White, LeAnne Aurand, Barb Young, Lisa Trauernicht, Chad Ball, Jolene Kelley, and Kristy Witherell as recorder.

Jan Fritz called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

## INFORMATIONAL:

### **Discuss Proposed List of Tax Foreclosed Properties to be sold at Public Auction**

- LeAnne Aurand

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- There is a total of seven properties since the last auction in October 2019:
  - First property:
    - Vacant residential lot in Keizer;
    - Owner subdivided it, but it was never sold; and
    - There is a 20-foot easement access.
  - Second property:
    - Residential lot;
    - Non-livable structure;
    - Finance Department was working with the property owner to pay back taxes;
    - Finance Department has been giving them time to get their belongings off of the property; and
    - Finance Department will pay the lien once it is sold.
  - Third property:
    - Farmland on Fern Ridge Road in Stayton;
    - Not a wetland mitigation property;
    - It is a county property;
    - It is zoned Exclusive Farm Use; and
    - The lot is non-buildable.
  - Fourth property:
    - Lot on the Santiam River in Idanha;
    - Some of the property is under water;
    - It is zoned single family residential; and
    - It is buildable.
  - Fifth property:
    - In Jefferson; and

- Is an empty, flat, buildable modular home lot neighborhood.
- Sixth property:
  - Vacant lot in Keizer;
  - Valued at \$25,000;
  - Difficult to get to the lot; and
  - Neighbor is unaware that the road is public.
- Seventh property:
  - In the City of Salem;
  - Condemned property; and
  - Fixing all of the windows as they are boarded up currently:
    - Has to be removed from condemned status before it can be put up for auction.

### **Review and Revision to Policy 902 and 902A– Memberships, Dues, and Subscriptions**

- Jeff White, Chad Ball

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The reporting does not seem necessary anymore;
- Departments are still required to submit their budget packages quarterly to the budget officer; and
- Staff compared the policy to other counties.

### LEGISLATIVE

#### **Update**

- Barb Young

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- Received an email from NACo asking if there were any resolutions that NACo could help with during legislative session;
- Northwest Oregon Rules Advisory Committee (RAC) appointments are behind schedule:
  - They are having a meeting next week; and
  - RAC appointments are required to have 100 percent attendance to complete a quorum with the Bureau of Land Management and Forest Service.
- The City of Salem is interested in helping with Court Care Bill;
- Bill draft requests were due November 22<sup>nd</sup> and come out of legislative council on January 17, 2020;
- Mobile homes:
  - Will follow up with Senator Courtney regarding preservation of mobile home courts;
  - City of Portland and Bend enacted a new zone for mobile home parks for density units;
  - Currently Marion County cannot pass anything to preserve or close mobile home parks;
  - Effective in September 2019, the state's community housing will provide loans to purchase mobile homes to replace older ones:
    - Provide grants to decommission and dispose of older mobile homes; and

- Appoint an advisory committee on manufactured housing.
  - Valley Development Initiatives Group includes all Marion County City representatives except Salem:
    - In 2017, Marion County received \$53,000 from the state for a grant program to fix up older mobile homes;
    - Currently there is \$35,000 available;
    - There are three people utilizing this fund for up to \$10,000 per household, and it cannot be used on pre-1976 homes along with other qualifications (i.e asbestos and income); and
    - The group is now reaching out to other cities that have not utilized this grant before.
- The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) came out with their 2018-2020 daily maximum load for field runoff into the rivers:
  - The report indicates that DEQ is classifying ditches and agricultural irrigation channels as jurisdictional waterways; and
  - Public Works drafted a letter for the commissioners to sign to state that the classification is inconsistent with past DEQ practices, as the report is confusing by not clarifying in writing the new classification.

## COMMUNICATIONS

### **Update**

- Jolene Kelley
- Ms. Kelley gave a brief update of upcoming scheduled events.

### OTHER:

- Mr. Ball gave an update regarding the Marbled Murrelet Seabird:
  - The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) was evaluating whether to move the bird from threatened to endangered;
  - It is a coastal seabird that spends time in the timberlands;
  - Initiated rulemaking under the Oregon Endangered Species Act;
  - Will open for new comments on January 31<sup>st</sup>; and
  - Mr. Ball will draft a letter and bring it back to the commissioners for approval.
- Ms. Trauernicht received a request from the Center for Hope and Safety:
  - They are applying for CDBG funding from the City of Salem; and
  - Would like the commissioners to sign a letter of support for their Hope Plaza.

## COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS AND UPDATE:

Kevin Cameron:

- Attended the Town Hall with Senator Wyden.

Meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m.

COMPLETED BY: **Kristy Witherell and Molly Hatfield**

Reviewed by: *Joanna Ritchie*