

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, July 27, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room
555 Court Street NE
Salem, OR 97301

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

(Video Time 00:1:48)

SEDCOR Quarterly Report – Chad Freeman, Nick Harville

- Appreciates the support from the county on economic development endeavors;
- Henningsen Cold Storage breaking ground in Mill Creek Corporate Center:
 - 166,000 square foot facility;
 - See the facility as a hub for agriculture food storage in Marion County;
 - Opportunity for expansion;
 - First investment in Corporate Center since 2009;
 - \$30 million investment by Henningsen;
 - Strong corporate partner for Norpac;
 - Currently, places like Norpac are sending their product as far as southern Oregon to keep it cold; and
 - Hops, which are a huge industry in the county, have to be kept between 31-33 degrees Fahrenheit once they are processed.
- Several expansion projects at the Aurora airport and in Salem; and
- Having a workforce of skilled workers is one of the top reasons why investors will look at a community:
 - 80 percent of manufacturers cannot find the workforce they need; and
 - Unemployment reports show that there are still about 9,000 people in Marion County who are unemployed.

PRESENTATION

(Video Time 00:12:12)

Presentation of Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting. – John Lattimer

Summary of Presentation:

- Certificate has been awarded for the last fifteen years;
- This GFOA award is for the last four years;
- Marion County prides itself on strong financial management;
- Finance staff has helped create one of the best budgets;
- The county does a great job at keeping track of finances;
- Haven't had a financial problem since the early 1980's; and
- Jeff White and his staff are again being honored for their excellent work.

CONSENT

(Video Time 00:21:01)

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Ratify a Perpetual Easement and Waiver of Property located in the Dual Interest Area surrounding the Willow Lake Treatment Plant.

FINANCE

Approve an order authorizing the contract for sale of real Property Tax ID #R85061 with 10% of the purchase price as the down payment.

Approve Amendment #2 to the Contract of Sale with Keith Rich, authorizing Hoys Investments Limited to assume the contract and releasing Mr. Rich's interest in real property Tax Lot #R96489.

Approve an order to reappoint Ferren Taylor to the Marion County Budget Committee with a term ending June 30, 2019.

HEALTH

Approve Amendment #8 with Care Oregon, Inc. for additional incoming funds estimated at \$80,000 for public health and chemical dependency services.

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

Approve an order to revise Policy #701, Use of Computing and Communication Assets.

JUSTICE COURT

Approve an order appointing Todd C. McCann as pro tempore justice of the peace for the Marion County Justice Courts with a term ending March 31, 2017.

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve the Public Improvement Agreement with VSS International, Inc. for \$336,245.44 to furnish and apply Type II Slurry Seal on various Marion County roads through September 10, 2016.

Approve an order reappointing Gary Monders, Mike Long and Stanley Birch to the Marion County Planning Commission with terms ending July 2, 2020.

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

ACTION

(Video Time 00:23:16)

HEALTH

1. Consider approval of an order to appoint Brian Carrara to the Ambulance Service Area (ASA) Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. – Shawn Baird

Summary of presentation:

- Acting Deputy Chief at Salem Fire Department;
- Been there for 12 years;
- Attends ASA meeting as a non-member, but represents Salem Fire Department;
- Administrator of the contract with Falck Ambulance; and
- Brings unique prospective because of private/public partnership.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of an order to appoint Brian Carrara to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

2. Consider approval of an order to appoint Christopher Kidd to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. – Shawn Baird

Summary of presentation:

- Unable to be present due to a family emergency;
- Works for the Turner Fire Department; and
- Has attended ASA meetings for three years.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved for approval of an order to appoint Christopher Kidd to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

3. Consider approval of an order to appoint Daniel J. Mullen to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. – Shawn Baird

Summary of presentation:

- Captain with St. Paul Fire Department;
- Will work well and serve the county;

- Outstanding paramedic;
- Attends ASA meetings;
- Brings rural perspective to the ASA; and
- Works for a volunteer fire department.

Board discussion:

- Great Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee and good collaboration between different ambulance entities in the area; and
- Rural fire districts are an important part of the community.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved for approval of an order to appoint Daniel J. Mullen to the Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee with a term ending January 31, 2019. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:31:25)

PUBLIC WORKS

4. Consider approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation to exchange \$1 million in federal funds for \$940,000 in state funds for the 2015-16 resurfacing program. - Cindy Schmitt

Summary of presentation:

- Part of the annual allotment;
- The state dollars have fewer strings attached;
- Cash in or exchange the funds for .94 cents on the dollar on an annual basis;
- The money will fund resurfacing program for 2015-2016;
- These are reimbursement funds that will be submitted to the state for the 2015-2016 expenses;
- The discount is fair when considering the additional terms necessary to accept federal funding;
- Federal contracting rules are different and more cumbersome in terms of securing a contract; and
- County adopted standards allow the ability to do the same job for fewer dollars due to fewer restrictions.

Board discussion:

- This amount doesn't not cover total resurfacing project;
- There can be differences in engineering requirements when using federal dollars; and
- Normally this is a consent item, but would like the public to be aware of the actual cost savings converting federal dollars to state dollars.

MOTION: Commissioner Carlson moved for approval of the Intergovernmental Agreement with Oregon Department of Transportation to exchange \$1 million in federal funds for \$940,000 in state funds for the 2015-16 resurfacing program. Seconded by Commissioner Brentano; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
9:30 A.M.

(Video Time 00:37:40)

PUBLIC WORKS

A. Consider changes to the Solid Waste Collection Rates charged by franchised haulers. –
Dennis Mansfield, Estle Harlan, Todd Irvine

Summary of presentation:

- An in-depth cost analysis is conducted each year:
 - Looks at historical and future trends.
- A work session was held on June 30, 2016 to discuss the proposed rate increases;
- Clackamas County has raised their fees from 3 percent to 5 percent of revenues;
- Marion County's franchise fee is 3 percent;
- Three major factors influenced the analysis:
 - Tip fee increase of \$20 per ton at Covanta;
 - Tip fee increase of \$12.35 per ton Pacific Region Composting facility; and
 - Commodity value of recycling has dropped significantly.
- Haulers are proposing the following rate increases October 1, 2016:
 - 10.4 percent increase urban residential cart services:
 - \$2.40 per month increase for a 35 gallon cart; and
 - 5.8 percent (or 1.34 per month) is contributed to the Covanta tip fee increase.
 - 10.6 percent increase in urban commercial container service:
 - \$12.82 per month increase for a two yard container; and
 - 8.6 percent (or \$10.40 per month) is contributed to the Covanta tip fee increase.
 - Drop box customers will only have the disposal cost passed through to them:
 - No proposal to increase the haul fee.
 - 5.5 percent increase for low volume medical waste customers:
 - .91 cent per month increase for a 20 gallon box; and
 - Low volume consists of up to 74 boxes per month.
 - 3 percent increase for high volume medical waste customers:
 - .36 cent per month increase for a 20 gallon box; and
 - High volume consists of 75 boxes or more per month.

Estle Harlan:

- Concurs with staff's thorough report;
- Rates are reasonable and justified;
- Collection service covers collection of solid waste, yard debris, mixed organics and recyclables;
- As described, solid waste did not control the increases, but we will all have to pay them;
- Cost of disposal needs to be passed on to customers through the rates;
- Drastic drop in revenue from recycling sales:
 - 84 percent decline in the last five years.
- Rate increase will put the county well below the 10 percent targeted operating margin for 12 months;

- County code supports rate adjustment:
 - ORS 459 and ORS 459A gives the county authority to adjust rates.
- Rates will be very reasonable for the public; and
- Increase would be in effect October 1, 2016.

Board discussion:

- City of Salem was concerned with the increase;
- Wanted to blame Covanta for the rate increase;
- Looking out for fixed income families;
- Concerned with illegal dumping;
- There is a cost to collect material;
- Commodity values have declined;
- Pacific Region Compost:
 - Entered into an agreement with haulers to accept residential food waste that can be included with yard debris;
 - Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) placed stringent requirements which caused a significant cost to process;
 - Invested over \$7 million; and
 - Used outside consulting company.
- Have had a lot of conversation at Solid Waste Management Advisory Council (SWMAC);
- There are a number of materials the council has been working on;
- Flier describing disposal rates are on the SWMAC web page;
- Important that the public understands why the rate increase is needed; and
- Solid waste management in Marion County is one of the best in the state.

MOTION: Commissioner Brentano moved to close the public hearing and approve the change to the Solid Waste Collection Rates charged by franchised haulers. Seconded by Commissioner Carlson; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Cameron read the calendar.

Commissioner Cameron adjourned the meeting at 10:18 a.m.



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