

MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Management Update Summary Minutes

OREGON

#### August 13, 2024. 9:30 AM

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

#### ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Kevin Cameron, Colm Willis, and Danielle Bethell. Staff: Trevor Lane, Jon Heynen, Skylar Stangeland, Matt Lawyer, Trevor Lane, Shawnnell Fuentes, Jon Heynen, Alvin Klausen, Skylar Stangeland, Brian Nicholas, Katrina Griffith, Lani Radtke, Ryan Crowther, Carl Lund, Christina Bertschi, Mike Miller, Carol Heard, Diana Dickey, John Speckman, Brandon Reich, Ron Steward, Tim Weiker, Candace Weiker, Tamra Goettsch, Scott Norris, Chad Ball, and Matt Lawyer.

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

#### **INFORMATIONAL:**

# Engineering Contract with David Evans and Associates – Ehlen Road NE at Butteville Rd NE

#### -Ryan Crowther

- A Request for Proposal (RFP) was done for the roundabout design;
- The contract is for the following:
  - Preliminary engineering;
  - Acquiring needed right-of-way; and
  - Public outreach.
- The project is federally funded:
  - Standard match of 10.27 percent.
- All Roads Transportation Safety (ARTS) grant was applied for, and 100 percent funded;
- Marion County's portion is excepted to be \$25,352.53:
  - The total project amount is \$1,051,930.56.
- Roundabout designs will come before the Board of Commissioners (BOC) as they are done;
- Construction will begin in 2027;
- There is 70 pages of Statement of Work in the contract for David Evans and Associates:
  - $\circ$  Inform them of design, what is needed and what is expected of them.
- Inform contractor of funding constraints so project can be fully paid for;
- The overall budget is for just under 7 million;
- Cost estimates will be clearer as designs are done;
- There have been many crashes at the intersection:
  - Previous years included two fatal crashes;
  - In the last two years there have been seven crashes;

- No additional fatal or sever; and
- A roundabout will address this pattern.
- Other things were done to reduce crashes including:
  - Larger signs;
  - Red bars up sign posts;
  - Increased sight distance on intersections;
  - Increasing striping through the entire corridor; and
  - Roundabouts are the next step.

• The BOC is good to proceed.

# Wildfire Hazard Maps

-Brandon Reich

- The state is working to adopt wildfire maps to indicate wildfire risk to residential homes;
- Maps have been updated and the changes are not substantial;
- There were no modifications for Marion County;
- In the wildfire maps the only areas with effects are the high hazard zones:
  - Marion County has 32 parcels that are high hazard zones;
  - Of those 24 are owned by the federal or state government;
  - There are eight that are privately owned:
    - Of these six are timber with no potential for indwelling.
- There is one parcel that is affected by the wildfire maps which has had a dwelling since 2007:
  - Components may be repaired but if fully replaced they must be up to the modern fire hardening standards; and
  - It appears that insurance can't be declined for the structure.
- Information that made the fire maps can cause insurance companies to change their fates;
- All 32 property owners in high hazard zones will receive notice of the maps and will have a chance to appeal;
- Criteria used to create the maps is highly technical:
  - Marion County planning and property owners will not have additional information; and
  - Appealing may be difficult, and the chances of prevailing are low.
- The one parcel containing a dwelling is in a high hazard zone because the amount material and underbrush on the ground that can burn is high:
  - There is redesignation potential if the ground is cleared; and
  - There is no current impact unless components are replaced.
- Fire hardening standards must be applied to all accessory dwelling units in the county when they are constructed:
  - Once maps are adopted the standards can only be applied in the high hazard zones.
- The building codes division of Oregon will adopt the maps, and they will go automatically into building code:
  - They will be implemented through the local building program for residential construction in high hazard zones.
- Most will not qualify as they are timber properties;
- State Fire Marshal may create standards based on the maps:

- $\circ$  Not only in high hazard zones but for defensible spaces as well; and
- Standards may be statewide.
- Marion County Planning reached out to the Oregon Department of Land Conservation Development:
  - There are no changes in land use expectations or law for development; and
  - There is no funding for program or plan development.
- Marion County Planning has reached out to the single property owner, and they have not heard back;
- There is a meeting on August 26, 2024, to provide feedback on the maps;
- The maps can be reevaluated and expanded if more funding is found:
  - $\circ$   $\,$  Marion County must be aware and keep watch on it.

• The BOC is good to proceed.

# Cascade Hwy Resurfacing Project – Centerline Rumble Strips

#### -Lani Radtke

- This topic was discussed at the last management update meeting:
- The project involves reinstalling rumble strips that were previously in place for a safety project;
- Marion County Public Works (MCPW) and the BOC have been approached by concerned property owners regarding the rumble strips:
  - MCPW was asked to look for alternatives.
- MCPW found some alternatives and met with property owners:
  - Met with the owners immediately after the previous management update meeting; and
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Later in the week went out to meet the property owners.
- Some of the alternatives include:
  - Not doing any rumble strips;
  - A safety median that is space in the center of the roadway near the homes:
    - Made of two double yellow lines with two-foot distance in between and two-foot shoulders.
  - Sinusoidal strips; and
  - Traditional rumble strips.
- Optical bars may be placed making roads feel smaller encouraging individuals to drive slower in any of the options:
  - These have not been used in Marion County; and
  - These can be used with the safety median and a rumble strip in the middle.
- There will be an extra six inches of road on each side if this method is used:
  - The standard lane width on Cascade Highway will be 12 feet;
  - They will be narrower which could slow traffic down; and
  - Did not want to take width from the shoulders.
- The rumble strips are eight inches;
- A contract change order will be needed if sinusoidal strips are to be done:
  - They are not adopted by the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT);
  - They are not an Oregon standard;
  - The contractor can bring someone in to do it at an additional cost; and
  - $\circ$  To do the entire corridor is an additional \$20,000.
- Rumble strips can be left out of either side of the property:
  - Recommended gap is 300 feet north and south of the property.

- There are crashes taking place in the area that the county is not aware of often;
- MCPW recommends the safety median, double stipes, and leaving out rumble strip near the sensitive receiver's property;
- ODOT standard can consider going out 600 feet;
- The property owners request is no rumble strips from Riches Road to a quarter of a mile south;
- With centerline rumble strips the number of across lane accidents has gone down;
- The contractor can get a sub-contractor to place sinusoidal strips:
  - Unsure of their experience in placing the strips and where they would come from; and
  - Will need to rediscuss with Roy Houck Construction.
- Striping needs to be done as soon as possible;
- Flashing beacons at the curve signs is an option:
  - The concern is they are solar, and the south end area has much foliage.
- Speed feedback signs are an option:
  - There is budget to install these; and
  - These are solar also but there is flexibility on where to place them.

- Before rumble strips are placed on the fog lines a discussion is needed with legal counsel and the BOC;
- The BOC agrees with the striping method;
- Mr. Lund to provide a map with where all components will be placed;
- Rumble strips will not be placed on the 1,200-foot section:
  - $\circ$   $\;$  They will be placed on the rest of the road.

# **IGA Amendment #1, with Oregon Youth Authority for Expunction of Juvenile Records**

-Mike Miller

#### Summary of presentation:

- The amendment brings things up to date:
  - There were delays through the Oregon Department of Justice, completing contracts, and extending the agreement for a year.
- The total of the agreement is \$521,561.10;
- This IGA is related to 2023's Senate Bill (SB) 519 and 2021's SB 575;
- Youth records are automatically expunded based on certain criteria:
  The juvenile department, on behalf of OYA, completes tasks.
- This is a funded mandate from legislation;
- Most of the funding is used for staff, and administration time; and
- The Juvenile Department does the work as it has more intimate knowledge of individuals being expunged and has a relationship with the court.

# **Board Direction:**

• The BOC is good to proceed with the item on consent.

# **Residential Treatment Facility Respite Care Model Property**

-Christina Bertschi

- A bare flag lot property that meets all needs has been found;
- Have searched for property that can accommodate 12 to 14 beds;
- Coming before the BOC for permission to approach the neighbors;
- The property has been positive aspects;

- It is near many amenities including stores, gyms, a church, and public transportation.
- Developers originally planned to construct two duplexes but are willing to revise and create something that works for the county;
- There are concerns because of two neighbors next to the property:
  - Fencing and paving can help the neighbors; and
    - The location of the property also offers some privacy.
- Other option is continuing to work with the developer:
  - The concept of them providing land and developing is more appealing than renovating a home.
- Per procurement rules an RFP is not needed:
  - Marion County's real estate agent was reached out to; and
  - Can reach out to more agents to broaden the horizon.
- Looking for a home outside of Salem as well:
  - Difficult to find a home that meets all needs; and
  - Access to transportation allows residents to be more independent.
- The Salem area is more appealing because of the access it provides;
- The cost is \$1.2 million for building the home:
  - $\circ$  Available funding is about \$1.5 million.

- Commissioner Colm has a housing group list consisting of a variety of developers;
- The BOC will not be moving forward with this at this time.

# Subgrant Agreement with Pacific Source: 1115 Medicaid Water Capacity Building

-Christina Bertschi

- There were over 60 applicants and only 16 received awards:
  Marion County was one of the awardees.
- Marion County asked for \$1.5 million and received \$780,395;
- Need to meet with PacificSource to discuss the budget and finalize;
- Removed a Housing Navigator, Nutritionist and Office Specialist positions;
- Removed Full Time Equivalent for the Lead Program Coordinator;
- Removed both Coordinator positions:
  - They are fully funded.
- Keeping Clinical Supervisor position:
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Will do mental health assessments.
- Will reapply in 2025 to cover what is not covered this year:
  - Will show the importance of full capacity; and
  - Grantors prioritize those who have not been awarded previously.
- Can only house families at risk of homelessness and not those experiencing homelessness;
- There will be a total of three Navigators and an additional Family Navigator;
- PacificSource may have input on what is reduced;
- Administrative costs for IT will be lowered as investments in the Electronic Health Record (HER) may be lower:
  - Unitus is the selected vendor to administer the benefits.
- Currently working on the budget, are about \$100,000 over, but IT reductions will help;
- There are several individuals that are on a waitlist for services:

- $\circ$   $\,$  One of the criteria is at risk for eviction or rent burden.
- Part of the funding is marketing material for program awareness:
  - Outreach is done to property managers;
  - $\circ$   $\;$  Host a Housing Summit for providers and property managers; and
  - Work with both housing authorities.
- If an individual does not meet criteria other services are found where they do meet criteria:
  - The Unitus system has this capability; and
  - The individual is tracked to see if they follow through with the referral.
- A provider agreement must be signed which allows for services to be provided:
  - An agreement directly with PacificSource;
  - Currently going through agreement; and
  - Will inform the BOC of any concerns within the agreement.

- Reach out to the Marion County Extension and 4H Nutrition program;
- Inform the BOC of the Housing Summit details;
- Trevor Lane to look over the agreement; and
- The BOC is good to proceed.

# Specialty Courts – Urinalysis Testing for Adult Drug Court

-Carol Heard

#### Summary of presentation:

- Contract amendment with Redwood Toxicology Laboratories;
- The amendment amount is \$58,758 for a new total of \$123,558 through December 31, 2025;
- Marion County Health and Human Services (MCHHS) is tasked with ensuring payment of these services:
  - Additional funds will cover costs for the remainder of the contract.
- This is a not-to-exceed amount.

# **Board Direction:**

- Ms. Heard to have a meeting with specialty court administrator to discuss potential money saving measures;
- The BOC is good to proceed with amendment as long as steps are taken to potentially save money; and
- The BOC is good to proceed with the item on consent.

# **Kratom Law Examples**

-Diana Dickey

- In 2021 Oregon legislature passed House Bill 2646:
  - Limited sales to 21 and older;
  - Required processors to register with the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA);
  - There was a labeling requirement;
  - Prohibited sales from a processor that was not registered;
  - Limited level of Kratom alkaloids in products;
  - Prohibited sale of synthetic Kratom;
  - Required testing of product by ODA; and
  - Was vetoed by the Governor.
- In 2022 the Oregon Kratom Consumer Protection Act was passed:

- $\circ$   $\,$  The American Kratom Association has been lobbying states to pass this.
- The act includes:
  - Limited sales to 21 and older;
  - Registering with the Oregon Department of Revenue; and
  - A few other things.
- The association has been successful in some states:
  - $\circ$  In scaling back restrictions or passing scaled back restrictions.
- The association testified in the 2021/2022 legislature;
- Some states have added Kratom to their Schedule I controlled substances list:  $_{\odot}$   $\,$  Vermont.
- Arizona prohibits synthetic product, and the label must include the amount of active substances in the product;
- Colorado passed stronger legislation even after the associations lobbying:
  - $\circ\;$  Label must have address of manufacturer, ingredients, and definition of Kratom.
- Georgia was lobbied and passed a bill to strengthen restrictions:
  - Limits the amount of alkaloids;
  - Prohibits vaping of Kratom; and
  - Labeling requirements.
- Rhode Island's state department of health moved it into their Schedule I controlled substances list;
- Utah has labeling, testing requirements, cannot be shaped in ways that are appealing to children, and in child protective packaging; and
- Some states are still considering legislation and being lobbied.

- Alvin Klausen to research why Oregon Governor vetoed bill;
- Create a memo on why this is being pursued and what the concerns are; and
- The BOC is good with the update.

# Criminal Justice Commission Grants, Amendment #1 for Each

- Adult Drug Court, Additional Funds \$203,680.00
- Family Treatment Court, Additional Funds \$54,742.00
- Juvenile Treatment Court, Additional Funds \$31,778.00
- Mental Health Court, Additional Funds \$78,501.00
- Veteran Treatment Court, Additional Funds \$ 64,477.00

#### -Ryan Matthews

# Summary of presentation:

- Amendment for additional funds for fiscal year 2024/2025;
- Specialty court agreements that give payments every six months;
- There is no say in selecting a provider panel;
- The new contract total is \$549,912;
- MCHHS pays invoices for the treatment provided;

# **Board Direction:**

• The BOC is good to proceed with the item on consent.

#### Security and Patrol Services for Courthouse and Courthouse Square -Tamra Goettsch

# Summary of presentation:

• Security contract with Advanced Security due to the fire set in the Courthouse Square building in February 2024;

- The contract is ending in August;
- Hours of service have been reduced;
- During the contract period there has been:
  - There have been 27 doors open;
  - There have been 28 trespasses;
  - There have been four issues with the parking gate;
  - There has been on incident of vandalism; and
  - There have been two elevator issues.
- There is \$37,000 remaining:
  - Can extend the date of the contract until the funds run out;
  - Can extend the date and amend the contract for patrolling only:
    - Driving, check outside building doors and parking structures.
- The contract can be discussed at the next budget;
  - The \$90,000 contract is paid for by Marion County:
  - Can approach the Condo Association for potential support in the future.

• Contract to be reassessed at the end of June.

#### **Board Session Agenda Review**

-Commissioner Kevin Cameron

#### Summary of presentation:

• Overview of agenda.

#### **Board Direction:**

• The BOC is good to proceed.

#### COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

#### **Commissioner Danielle Bethell**

• N/A

#### **Commissioner Kevin Cameron**

• N/A

#### **Commissioner Colm Willis**

• N/A

#### <u>OTHER</u>

Commissioner Colm Willis - Economic Development Study Video

- Found a vendor to do the animation;
- Study about investment expansion; and
- It will be about \$14,000 to \$20,000.

#### **Board Direction:**

• Jon Heynen to send the BOC the scope of work, company information, and script.

**Adjourned** – time: 11:06 a.m. **Minutes by:** Mary Vityukova **Reviewed by:** Gary L. White