



Management Update Summary Minutes

OREGON

October 15, 2024. 9:30 AM

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

ATTENDANCE:

Commissioners: Kevin Cameron, Danielle Bethell, and Colm Willis.

Board's Office: Jan Fritz, Chad Ball, Matt Lawyer, Trevor Lane, Alvin Klausen, and Chris Eppley.

Public Works: Brian Nicholas, Dennis Mansfield, Kevin Thompson, Chris Einmo, and Brian May.

Clerk's Office: Bill Burgess.

Health and Human Services: Cole Fetherston, Christina Bertschi, Alys Anderson, Wendy Zieker, Rhett Martin, Karina Ballow, and Lyndsie Schwarz.

HR: Kathy Bolen.

Legal Counsel: Steve Elzinga.

Jan Fritz called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

INFORMATIONAL:

1. Request Approval for Pursuing Forest Service Urban and Community Forest Grant

-Kevin Thompson

Summary of presentation:

- Grant comes from Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF);
- For ongoing reforestation efforts;
- Replanting larger trees in key locations of the area:
 - About five to six feet in size; and
 - Will give shade more quickly.
- This grant targets urban and community forestry, the parks in the canyon are a priority area;
- Trying to get areas into good condition as soon as possible;
- The total project cost is about \$742,000:
 - There is a zero match required.
- Planting will happen in all seven canyon parks;
- There will be four years of maintenance:
 - Watering, and weeding.

Board Direction:

- The board of commissioners (BOC) would like a written out plan.

2. Purchase and Sale Agreement for Mill City-Gates Sewer Treatment Plan Property

-Brian Nicholas

Summary of presentation:

- Property is needed to construct the sewer plant;
- Tentative agreement pending board approval;
- About 10.15 acres for the plant and 2.10 acres for realignment of Fairview Street;
- The city will have the sewer and water main extensions go to the treatment plant;
- Service laterals for sewer and water will be done behind the realigned curb;
- The county will have access to the site;
- Need to complete subdivision and title transfer of the property before construction;
- The purposed purchase price is \$1.6 million:
 - Same price per square foot that the county has paid for other properties.
- Property owner sent in a signed agreement (motivated seller).

Board Direction:

- The BOC is good to proceed.

3. Health-Related Social Needs (HRSN) Fee Schedule

-Alys Anderson, Christina Bertschi

Summary of presentation:

- Service agreement and sub-grant contract will come to board session on November 6, 2024;
- Fee schedule was created by determining the cost for housing based on the county’s fair market rate, utility rate, and maximum allowable household income;
- Outreach engagement, tenancy services billing rate based on others in the county;
- This is the fee schedule that will allow to bill for services:
 - Skills training, case management, administrative services, and other.
- County will get what the maximum allowed is; and
- Only bill for Medicaid.

Board Direction:

- The BOC and Legal Counsel will look over the document before proceeding.

4. Public Health and OHA, IGA Amendment #12, Adding Funds to, HIV Prevention, and Public Health Practice-Immunization Services

-Ryan Matthews

Summary of presentation:

- Adds \$255,833.46 in funds;
 - HIV Prevention Services for \$151,971.46; and
 - Public Health Practice – Immunization Services for \$103,862.
- HIV Prevention will now be funded for the full year;
- Immunization Services received allocation as the state had additional funding;
- For Marion County, Harm Reduction, is interacting with individuals in non-judgmental ways:
 - Not required to do harm reduction that is not part of the county’s philosophy.

Board Direction:

- Legal Counsel and BOC will overlook the contract before proceeding

5. Contract with Public Health Medical Director Caroline Grady Castillo

-Wendy Zieker

Summary of presentation:

- Dr. Grady Castillo also serves as a Health Officer, promoting population based health;

- The contract is extended for an additional year, until December 31, 2025;
- Adds an additional \$100,000 for a total of a not-to-exceed amount \$800,000;
- Some of the work done by Dr. Grady Castillo include:
 - Current work on the county's tuberculosis cases;
 - Communicable Disease program and current measles outbreak;
 - Syphilis training for providers; and
 - Radio outreach.
- Works in person Tuesday and Thursdays; and
- She is paid from the Modernization fund.

Board Direction:

- Send the BOC the summary of work and payment received

6. Contract Amendment #2 for Ballot Printing Services

-Bill Burgess

Summary of presentation:

- Extend contract for an additional year and \$216,000;
- Will pay for the upcoming election and through the next year;
- Lynx Group is a local printing company;
- They are certified to print ballots:
 - Security agreements, quality assurances, and correct paper material.
- Print inserts that are included with the ballots;
- This will be the last year of the contract;
- There have been 5,000 new voter registrants with 1,000 in the last ten days:
 - More ballots had to be ordered.
- Lynx Group is local allowing staff to walk over if there are issues:
 - Other printers are out of state.
- This is an up-to-amount based on services done.

Board Direction:

- The BOC would like Request for Proposal (RFP) done after the contract ends:
 - To be done after the May election.
- The BOC is good to proceed with item on consent; and
- Ensure that IT is engaged with the security measures.

7. 2024 Project Joy Fundraiser

-Kathy Bolen

Summary of presentation:

- Ongoing fundraiser for many years;
- Project Joy serves Marion, Yamhill, and Polk Counties;
- Project Joy gives a list of foster, biological, and adopted kids from Marion County to the county;
- Kids ask for a few items ranging from \$20 to \$30 each:
 - The lists are passed out to Marion County employees to purchase them.
- Gifts are collected, sorted, and handed out by Project Joy;
- Last year Marion County employees raised about \$8,800 in gifts and money;
- Would like to run the fundraiser from November 18 to December 6;
- The Brothers Collection has participated the last few years:
 - Participating again with a toy drive;
 - The Brothers Collection will be soliciting the event to the public;
 - Marion County employees will be able to sign up for the event first; and
 - The event is on December 8 and admission is \$10 plus an unwrapped toy.

- The Brothers Collection is a private local museum that displays 350 muscle cars.

Board Direction:

- The BOC is good to proceed.

8. Board Session Agenda Review

-Commissioner Kevin Cameron

Summary of presentation:

- Overview of the agenda.

Board Direction:

- The BOC is good to proceed.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

Commissioner Danielle Bethell

- Met with Dr. John Mark Yeats, President of Corban University:
 - Previously discussed childcare benefit for MC employees:
 - Corban assessed childcare community gaps;
 - Exploring what role they can fill; and
 - Finance department assessing.
 - University can be potential partner for behavioral health work force gaps;
 - Will connect Dr. Yeats with Marion County Health and Human Services.
- Met with Ron and Beth Hays:
 - Madrona Recovery and their Hilcrest Plan;
 - Community Resource Trust interested in expansion;
 - The cost is about \$10 million;
 - MCHHS agree with the idea; and
 - Potential opioid funding that can be used.
- Went with Phil Blea, MCHHS, to the Salem Keizer Public School Children's Day:
 - Partnership with Trillium and various county school districts; and
 - Stabilize kids that are failing public schools within 12 weeks.

Commissioner Kevin Cameron

- Western Interstate Region (WIR) Conference:
 - Sending funds to public lands trust was beneficial;
 - Agreed to work toward harvest replacing Secure Rural Schools (SRS) and
 - Working to get all needed information.

Commissioner Colm Willis

- Conflict of Interest training.

OTHER

Alvin Klausen – Renewable Energy Credits Draft

- Work with ReWorld to see if this will solve their issue;
- May help make the property more sellable; and
- Relating clause is vague.

Board Direction:

- Narrow down the relating clause to waste energy facilities; and
- File the pre-session draft.

Jon Heynen – Article ReWorld Closure Response

- Article in the Statesman Journal regarding the waste energy facility;

- Marion County did not provide comment;
- The paper asked for comment, but no one was available to do so:
 - Mr. Heynen did not want himself or Marion County Public Works (MCPW) to speak for the commissioners.
- ReWorld has not released a press release stating that they are closing:
 - The article stated that they are going in a different direction.
- Plans to go forward can include:
 - Discuss potential rate increases because of the closure;
 - Potential issues and solutions;
 - Have MCPW staff and BOC discuss issues; and
 - Video can be made available to the media.
- Marion County's collection fees are less than Polk County or Salem; and
- Potentially have update on the next Marion County Today, released in January.

Board Direction:

- A response needs to be given to the media:
 - Create draft and confirm with the BOC before releasing.
- No response on the next edition of Marion County Today:
 - There will be no answer ready at that time.
- All questions do not need to be answered at this time.

Adjourned – time: 10:57 a.m.

Minutes by: Mary Vityukova

Reviewed by: Gary White