

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
September 29, 2015

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Ainsworth declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Wheeler and Commissioner Pope were excused.
2. The approval of the minutes of September 22, 2015 was tabled until the next board meeting.
3. **PROGRESS REPORT ON 2009 POLK COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN** – Austin McGuigan, Community Development Director reported that the Polk County Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan expired in 2014. In its place, the County applied and was awarded a FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Fund Grant. Polk County is now “in the Queue” of the Oregon Emergency Management Department grant team to assist with updating the old Hazard Mitigation Plan. Despite being expired, Austin feels that it is in the best interest of the County to continue to do an annual evaluation of the Hazard Mitigation Plan even though it is now outside the ‘period of validity,’ since most of the tasks and action items are ongoing. The County has made significant progress in implementing all action items in the 2009 plan. A copy of the progress report was submitted to the Community Rating System (FEMA) Coordinator.
4. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.)
 - a. **WESTLAW ACCOUNT** – Morgan Smith, County Counsel informed the Board that with the expansion of the District Attorney’s FTE, the County’s Westlaw Account had to be updated to include a 9th attorney access. This will be reflected in a monthly increase of the Westlaw Charges.
 - b. **GRAND RONDE ROAD SPEED CHANGE REQUEST** – Todd Whitaker, Public Works Director informed the Board that he received a request from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde to decrease the speed limit on Grand Ronde Rd. from 40mph to 25mph. Todd explained that the Board can make a motion to change the speed if the road meets residential standards, otherwise a speed study would be required.
 - c. **IN STREAM WORK STATUS** – Todd Whitaker informed the Board that the instream erosion control project in Grand Ronde has been completed.

Commissioner Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 09:12 am.

Minutes: Heather Merrill
Approved: October 6, 2015