

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
May 29, 2018

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 present.

2. **MINUTES** **COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 22, 2018.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **DALLAS TURF PROJECT TRUCK REQUEST** – Bill McNutt, 1356 Mitzer Ave, Salem, Committee Chair of the Dallas Turf Project and Jim Fairchild, Dallas City Councilor, requested the County consider contributing in kind to the Dallas turf project by allowing use of Public Works trucks to haul rock for surface prep for the new field. So far, the project has generated \$829,000 in cash and in-kind contributions from the community. Todd Whitaker, Public Works Director, explained that he can fit this project into the Public Works road schedule (after July 4th), at a projected cost of \$1500/day per truck and pup with drivers. Todd estimates that the project can be completed in two days with two trucks. Commissioner Pope explained that gas tax monies cannot be used for this project, but proposed that the County utilize Economic Development funds to provide this in kind contribution.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO UTILIZE UP TO \$10,000 IN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDING TO ASSIST WITH ROCK HAULING FOR THE DALLAS TURF PROJECT.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **NOVEMBER ELECTION FOR THIRD BRIDGE** – Commissioner Pope reported that he has been in discussion with the Marion County Board of Commissioners regarding putting a joint advisory vote on the November Ballot for the Salem River Crossing Project. This advisory vote would provide direction for the future from the voters in both Polk and Marion Counties. If the voters express strong support for this project, the Counties could use that as a public support statement for this project to move forward. Associated costs for this project are minimal since ballots will already be going out for the Governor's election. Marion County Board of Commissioners has already approved moving forward with this ballot measure, and is investigating the hearings process and soliciting a PAC.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED MOVING FORWARD WITH THE PROCESS FOR PUTTING AN ADVISORY VOTE ON THE NOVEMBER BALLOT FOR THE THIRD BRIDGE.

5. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** – (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.) None.

Commissioner Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 09:32 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Chase
Approved: June 5, 2018