

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 11, 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 POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER
SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 4, 2018 AS
AMENDED.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **SHERIFF DEPARTMENT UPDATE** – Sheriff Garton informed the Board that the jail was getting too full so he worked with the police Chief and Judges to decide that they will be issuing more citations instead of keeping people in jail for minor misdemeanors. The Sheriff also informed the Board that around October 1st they will be starting the Justice Reinvestment program. JRI classes will be Monday through Friday and they will have a training scheduled for every hour. The classes will be separated into male/female groups and there will be 25 hours of therapy as well as homework and one on one counseling. He also stated that the individual will be sentenced to 6 months of probation and if they fail they could be sent to prison. If the individual's probation Officer doesn't feel they are participating and trying they can hold a hearing to determine if they will continue in the program. The counseling is not based around individuals with mental health issues but if they struggle with something of that nature it will be addressed through the program.

Sheriff Garton also updated the Board on the Patrol department and stated that there will be a training on understanding tribal jurisdiction. He also informed the Board of a cleanup event that is happening October 22nd on BLM land up Gooseneck Road. He stated that the event has gotten a lot of support and they expect a good turnout. They will be cleaning up any trash as well as brass bullet casings. Commissioner Ainsworth asked the Sheriff if BLM is doing anything to stop the damage being caused to the timber and he was informed that they really can't do anything to stop the shooting unless it is a fire hazard. That is one of the reason they are doing this event, to use it as an opportunity to let people know that it is causing damage and bring awareness to it.

Commissioner Ainsworth asked the Sheriff what is being done with the inmates who are causing damage to the rubber room. Morgan Smith, County Counsel informs Commissioner Ainsworth that they are seeking criminal charges in the most recent case because the damage would cost \$100.00 to fix. In other cases they are removed from that room and placed in a concrete cell.

4. **JOB RECLASSIFICATION** – Matt Hawkins, Personnel, is asking for a job reclassification, specifically for Lisa Shepard. He is asking that she be re-classed from an Account Clerk III to a Fiscal Analyst because she has picked up duties that fall under a Fiscal Analysts job description. If approved this would be effective October 1 and would cost the County approximately \$3,500 for a 12 month period including PERS contributions. The Board approved the request unanimously.

5. **JOB RECLASSIFICATION** – Matt Hawkins, personnel, is asking for a re-class of an Office Specialist II to an Administrative Assistant, Specifically for Ariel Parker. Ariel has taken on a lot more duties additional to those of an Office Specialist, such as helping with recruitments. If the Board approves this request it will be effective October 1, and will cost approximately \$15,000 for a 12 month period including PERS contributions. Matt informs the Board that Noelle Carroll, Health Services Director, requested this re-class herself. The Board approved the request unanimously.

5. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** – (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.)
 - a. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT APPLICATION** – In the matter of the application that was received from DJ's Body Shop aka Word Gym, The Board agreed that the application did not meet the criteria they were looking for with this Grant. They asked the Boards Executive Assistant to draft a letter of denial for the owner which they will review and edit as necessary.

 - b. **LPSCC COORDINATOR** – Commissioner Pope announces that the current Local Public Safety Coordinating Council's Coordinator, Ian Davidson, will be leaving and he was concerned that the County will not be able to replace somebody who would be effective in the short amount of time they have left on the Grant. Commissioner Pope stated that he felt Ian got the program up and running and does not feel a new person would have much to do in the short span of one year. He is asking the Board to start thinking about the future of this position and if they are going to want to keep the position beyond the Grant currently funding the position. Commissioner Pope also stated the he is in favor of filling this position because of how much more effective the committee was with a Coordinator.

Commissioner Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 9:45 AM.

Minutes: Ciera Atha
Approved: September 18, 2018