

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
April 2, 2019

1. At 9:01 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Ainsworth and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.

2. **MINUTES** **COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 26, 2019.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION** – Stephanie Gilbert, Early Learning/Family Engagement Supervisor, informed the Board that this year for April they are focusing on giving families a fun space to come with do something different with their kids. They are moving the time of the annual Child Abuse Prevention Walk from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. so that it is after kids are out of school and can participate. It will start at the Academy Building and will also end there. Families will be invited in for refreshments and a dance party in the gym. Every Wednesday this month they will have some kind of activity available for families at 3:30 p.m. They will have painting, science projects, cupcake decorating, and then the last weekend will be the Kindergarten Registration event that will be held at the Polk County Fairgrounds.

Brent DeMoe, Family Community Outreach Director, stated that the reason they are doing things a little different this year in order to help show families that there are fun ways to teach your kids about awareness and it can also hopefully connect families to any resources they need. Mr. DeMoe asks the Board if they have the Proclamation declaring April Child Abuse Prevention month and also get a photo with the Commissioners and the signed Proclamation. Patrice Altenhofen, Executive Director at Family Building Blocks, is also in attendance and expressed gratitude for being able to be a part of the relief nursery satellite here in Dallas and is very proud. The Commissioner's and audience took a photo with the proclamation.

4. **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT** – Commissioner Pope introduces the next agenda item, an application the Board received from "Some Things Old, New and In between". The application has been circulated throughout the Board. Commissioner Ainsworth stated that he is not in favor of this because he feels this application is to renovate the facility rather than provide more jobs for the community. He also stated the applicant does not own the building and he doesn't feel they should use Economic Development dollars to renovate a building that is being leased. Commissioner Pope stated that he see the opportunities that can exist but it is not robust enough to support the job growth that they have tried to demonstrate to other applicants.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED, TO DENY THE APPLICATION.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** - (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.)

a. Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, point out that the last two applications the Board has received have had a lot of building renovation and tentative improvement that are more related to maintenance that should have been done before and they are looking for funding through this program which is not what it is intended for. Mr. Hansen asked the Board if they would like him to make some updates to the requirements that state more clearly the expectations.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD DIRECTED STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE UPDATES AND BRING BACK A DRAFT FOR THEM TO APPROVE.

b. Brent DeMoe, Family Community Outreach Director, wanted to update the Board on what is happening with their application to Chariots. He went before the board and they had chance to have public testimony on the frustration with their process. In the end there were two Board members that wanted to fund the FCDC program but the majority voted against it. They said they have another Grant opportunity and they are looking to see if Polk County qualifies. He still feels that they were denied without a proper process being followed and Mr. DeMoe would like to contact ODOT and find out what grounds they could appeal this process further. They will still pursue every opportunity they can find to hopefully get veterans rides also. Mr. DeMoe said that there was a motion made to give the remaining \$22,000 to Polk County but they decided to divide the leftover money between the existing programs.

c. Mr. Hansen explains to the Board that they have a piece of property that is in the final steps of foreclosure and the back taxes are \$7200. The owner would like to know what the county is going to choose to do with the property. The Board can sell it back to the owner or sell it at auction. There has to be a minimum bid if it is auctioned and if they sell it to the owner they can choose any price they want.

Commissioner Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Minutes: Ciera Atha

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