

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES April 3, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners to be in session. Commissioner Mordhorst and Commissioner Ainsworth were present.

Staff present: Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer
 Morgan Smith, County Counsel
 Matt Hawkins, Administrative Services Director

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. The meetings are held in the Courthouse Conference Room, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon at 9:00 a.m. and is conducted according to a prepared agenda that lists the principal subjects anticipated to be considered. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board may consider and take action on subjects that are not listed on the agenda.

Department Head/staff meetings with the Board of Commissioners are held on Monday, Thursday, and Friday. The meetings are held in the Board of Commissioners' Office Conference Room and are conducted between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The principal subjects anticipated to be considered are on-going, upcoming, and new matters bearing on County operations. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners may consider and take action on subjects not listed within this announcement.

Polk County Budget Hearing will be held Tuesday, April 9 through Wednesday April 10, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the Courthouse Conference room.

There will be no Board meeting Tuesday, April 9 or Wednesday, April 10, 2019 due to Budget Hearings.

3. COMMENTS (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA) – None

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST
 SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH
 SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 27, 2019

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO
 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 27, 2019.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. **LENGTH OF SERVICE** – The following employee(s) were recognized for their length of service with Polk County: Jay Schmoyer – 20 Years
Jaime Cantu – 15 Years
Molly Barth – 10 Years

8. **PUBLIC HEARING**

Eric Berry, County Surveyor, is requesting the Board approve the vacation of various right of ways in Buena Vista. He informed the Board that back in the late 1800's when Buena Vista was platted they used much larger right of ways than Polk County requires today. Polk County started the process of correcting these right of ways back in 2000 and had mixed responses from residents in the area. They vacated the unnecessary right of ways where the residents approved and left the ones alone if the resident objected to the vacation. They did file a plan that the Board approved in 2002, that would allow them to go back and vacate these other right of ways in the future. Now they are seeking approval to correct more of the right of ways by making them smaller.

David Breeden, of 5790 Sequoia, Buena Vista testified in favor of the vacations by simply stating that he is in favor of the vacations.

Burney Shones, of 5731 Ferry Street, stated there is one section in the alley on his property where the power pole stands. He would like to leave that alone because the power company will need to maintain the power pole. Mr. Berry said that they reserve easements for any existing utility structures as part of the process. He will have to look at this pole specifically and figure out exactly where it is because he can't tell you without checking if it is the right of way, but he will look at that and find out. Mr. Shones would be in favor of the vacation as long as the utility company is still able to access the pole for maintenance.

Hearing no further testimony Commissioner Pope asked if there are any questions from the Board. Commissioner Ainsworth stated that he wants to make sure before they vote on this that the issues will be addressed going forward. Mr. Berry assured them that won't be a problem. Commissioner Pope closed the public Hearing.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO DIRECT STAFF TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE VACATION.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

At 9:26 a.m., County Counsel announced that the meeting recessed to Executive Session pursuant to 192.669(2)(D) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations.

Commissioner Pope called the meeting back into regular session. And staff was directed to proceed as discussed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:36 a.m.

The following items were approved by Motion under **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

(a) **PUBLIC WORKS – ORDER NO. 19-06**

Adopt Order No. 19-06, in the matter of the legalization of Mitchell Street and a portion of Black Rock Road.

- (b) RATIFY VALID VOUCHERS, LICENSES, PERSONNEL ACTIONS, PAYROLL, ETC., FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2019.

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Craig Pope, Chair



Mike Ainsworth, Commissioner



Kyle B. Mordhorst, Commissioner

Minutes: Ciera Atha
Approved: April 17, 2019