

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES August 19, 2020

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

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

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

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.

3. COMMENTS (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA)

None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 12, 2020

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 12, 2020.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT UPDATE

Dean Bender, Emergency Operations Manager, stated that Polk County submitted 6 projects for consideration for state homeland security grants. This year he wrote four of the six grant applications that moved forward. The other two came from the City of Independence for the Polk County CERT Team and for the Independence Police Department. After the state reviewed the

grant applications the four applications that Mr. Bender wrote were fully funded.

Project No. 1 is for the Cupid's Knoll Microwave Link, which is the final phase for a bigger project. This is to replace the one that is currently at Independence Police Department. This will give them more local coverage in the downtown area. This will be monitored and licensed unlike the one that is located there now. This project is fully funded for \$62,500 which is expected to begin in the spring.

Project No. 2 is for the Pre-Planning Terrorist Prevention Tool. This project was denied last year because the committee reviewing grant applications felt it was too much of a police tool. It is a scanning system that can scan, measure and photograph large areas such as buildings, crash sites or other crime scenes. After speaking to the review committee and getting their feedback Mr. Bender re-wrote the application focusing on the capability this tool would provide to map our critical infrastructure facilities. When not in use for infrastructure mapping it will be available for other uses as well. The Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde also signed on as a partner for this project.

Project 3 is the Polk County EOC Communications Connection – Phase II. This project will provide funding to put radios in the new tower located at Public Works, which was funded fully at \$150,000.

Project 4 is the P25 Digital Migration Project. The new radios will have digital capabilities which provide clear communication without interference. The downside with digital is that once you reach the edge of the coverage area it drops off entirely. Polk County acquired a radio channel a couple years ago with the hope of using it for expansion. Mr. Bender plans to find the best way to utilize that channel in the near future, whether it be for encryption or as another frequency for our first responders to communicate.

In addition to the four project above that were fully funded Polk County also submitted for two other projects that were written by the City of Independence that were included in the final Polk County grant application. One of those is Polk County CERT, which received partial funding in the amount of \$15,800. The other project was a Response Vehicle Enhancement. This is for a vehicle that Independence was able to get from the state government surplus. This grant that was fully funded in the amount of \$43,400, will be used to outfit the vehicle with lights and radios.

Polk County also strategically partnered on several other projects that have ranked high enough for indirect funding that will benefit first responders and citizens of Polk County. Those are listed below:

- Oregon Preparedness workshop
- Statewide Ops Center Maintenance
- Statewide COOP Software Maintenance
- Statewide Publications
- Mass Care and Shelter Planning
- Joint Bomb Teams Equipment/Training Regional Project

Mr. Bender expects the County should be receiving grant agreements on the successful grant applications no later than October 16th, 2020.

At 9:24 a.m. County Counsel announced that the meeting was recessed to Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (h) To consult with counsel concerning the legal

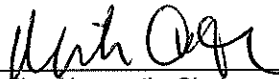
rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed and

Commissioner Ainsworth called the meeting back into regular session and adjourned the meeting at 9:31


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

- (a) **CONTRACT NO. 20-146 – PUBLIC HEALTH**
Approve Contract No. 20-146 between Family & Community Outreach and the Perrydale School District to continue to house School Based MH staff within their schools.

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Mike Ainsworth, Chair



Craig Pope, Commissioner



Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner