

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
June 29, 2021

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session and led the Board and attending audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Ainsworth and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.
2. **MINUTES:** **COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JUNE 22, 2021**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. COVID-19 RESPONSE UPDATE

Jacqui Umstead, Public Health Administrator, reviewed the most recent Covid data for Oregon, including Covid case count, Covid deaths, the positivity rate as well as the case rate per 100,000 population. Ms. Umstead then reviewed the same information for Polk and Marion County. Starting June 30, 2021 all Covid restriction will be lifted in Oregon including mask requirements. There will be a pop up vaccination clinic in Polk County at the Central High school in the parking lot from June 26th through July 7th.

Ms. Umstead reviewed the vaccination rates throughout Oregon and broke that down by counties. There will also be multiple mobile clinic in place throughout the county. Citizen, Carol Christ of Dallas Oregon asked if kids will need a permission slip to get vaccinated at the mobile vaccine clinics. Ms. Umstead replied that yes if they are under 15 years of age they will need a permission slip that can be found on the OHA website.

4. COURTHOUSE COMPLEX LANDSCAPE DISCUSSION

Matt Hawkins, Admin. Services Director, presented the Board with a visual of the proposed Courthouse Complex landscape remodel. Ms. Hawkins also discuss these plans with Dallas City Manager, Brian Latta. The concrete will be extended into the lawn in order to give vendors more space without having to be set up on the lawn.

5. BUENA VISTA GRANT DISCUSSION

Mr. Hawkins informed the Board that after several years of applying for a grant to renovate Buena Vista boat ramp he was approved this year. The county will receive \$400,000 from the Oregon State Marine Board and additional funds from ODFW. Mr. Hawkins is requesting permission from the Board to sign the contract accepting these funds.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE REQUEST.

6. RECLASSIFICATION IN PUBLIC WORKS

Mr. Hawkins requested a reclassification in Public Works. This would be for Kristi Eriksen who is currently a Engineer/Survey Aid to an Engineer/Survey Technician I. If approved this would be effective July 1, 2021 and would have a fiscal impact of approximately \$2,300 including PERS contributions should it be for a 12 month period.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE RECLASSIFICATION AS PROPOSED.

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

a) Carol Christ, of Dallas, lent the Board a book that she stated is about Yamhill and surrounding counties. She stated that the Board can keep the book as long as necessary and put an emphasis that the first 3 chapters are the most interesting.

b) Joe Rivera, of Sheridan, distributed a mini copy of the declaration of Independence to each Commissioner and staff. Mr. Rivera also gave the Board a review of an unknown publication regarding the Constitution in honor of the upcoming Independence Day.

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:46 a.m.

Minutes: Ciera Atha
Approved: July 6, 2021