

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES September 1, 2021

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 Gordon and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.

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. Each meeting is held in the Courthouse Conference Room, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon. Each meeting begins at 9:00 a.m. and is conducted according to a prepared agenda that lists the principle 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. The Board also holds a department staff meeting at 9:00 a.m. on every Monday in the Commissioners Conference Room at 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon.

3. COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER GORDON SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2021

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER GORDON SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 25, 2021.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. PLANNING COMMISSION APPLICANT INTERVIEW

Timothy (Tim) Klarr from West Salem submitted an application to serve on the Planning Commission. Commissioner Gordon asked Mr. Klarr to briefly describe his understanding of the land use process. Ms. Klarr answered that his knowledge is limited at this point but would do the research and use his resources to understand the laws the applied to any case he was presented with. Commissioner Mordhorst asked Mr. Klarr what he considers the most important land use issues Polk County is facing over the next four years. Mr. Klarr believes that infrastructure for growth is the most important land use issue Polk County faces. Commissioner Pope asked Mr. Klarr what he would do to make statewide land use planning better. Mr. Klarr responded that he doesn't feel that he knows the details of the statewide land use program well enough to say what should be changed. He hopes that is he is able to serve on the Polk County Planning Commission he will learn a lot and make sure to do his research. Commissioner Gordon asked Mr. Klarr

how he would react if the Board overturn a recommendation that was made by the Planning Commission. Mr. Klarr stated that he recognizes that the Planning Commission is an advisory Committee and also that the Board of Commissioners are the ones who have to make the decisions and they are the ones who will have to answer to the public for whatever the decision is that they make.

Mr. Klarr asked if he is appointed to the position are there restrictions for who he can discuss certain land use matters with. Morgan Smith, County Counsel advised Mr. Klarr that yes there would be in some cases. It is best practice for any discussion about a land use case be done at the land use meetings and or hearings.

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED,
TO APPOINT TIMOTHY KLARR TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

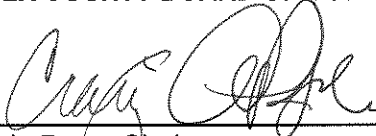
At 9:30 a.m. County Counsel announced that the meeting was recessed to Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660 (h) to consult with counsel concerning the legal rights and duties of a public body with regard to current litigation or litigation likely to be filed.

Commissioner Pope called the meeting back into regular session and adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

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

- (a) **CONTRACT NO. 21-160 – PUBLIC HEALTH**
Approve contract No. 21-160, amendment 1 with the Oregon Health Authority to provide additional funding for immunizations and vaccines for children and the Farmers Market under the WIC program for the 2021 season.

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Craig Pope, Chair



Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner



Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner