

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
November 2, 2021

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Mordhorst 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 Gordon was present. Commissioner Pope was excused.

2. MINUTES: **COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST
SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 26, 2021**

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

3. COVID-19 UPDATE

Jacqui Umstead, Public Health Administrator, provided the Board with a handout of the most recent Covid data. The report included the number of Covid cases and deaths in the state and in Polk County. Ms. Umstead reviewed the various charts that were included in the handout as well. The numbers of cases is down from the previous week. 78.1% of Polk County residents over the age of 18 are vaccinated. Public Health is expecting the Pfizer vaccine to be approved by the end of the week for children ages 5-11.

4. RECLASIFICATION

Matt Hawkins, Administrative Services Director, recommended that Christina Tisdell in Community Development be reclassified from an Environmental Health Specialist to the Environmental Health Supervisor. The current Environmental Health Supervisor will be retiring in December and the reclassification of Christina now helps prepare the department for moving forward.

If approved, this would be effective November 1, 2021. The reclassification will have a fiscal impact of approximately \$5,500 including PERS contributions should it be for a 12 month period. Due to the retirement of a long-term employee and the hiring of a lower level position there will be a significant savings in the Environmental Health program budget.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE RECLASSIFICATION AS PROPOSED.

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

Commissioner Mordhorst adjourned the meeting at 9:10 a.m.