

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES August 24, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

At 9:03 a.m., Commissioner Mordhorst declared the meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners to be in session. Commissioner Gordon was present and Commissioner Pope was absent.

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. 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

Mandy Strauss provided some background information for herself and why she is here today. She is here as a concerned citizen/mother who is concerned about the health and safety of victims of sexual assault. Mrs. Strauss discussed a room called the BeLoved room that the Keizer Police use and she is advocating to bring something similar to Polk County.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF August 17, 2022

MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF August 17, 2022.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH ITEM (a) TO BE CALLED POLK COUNTY COORDINATED HOMELESS RESPONSE SYSTEM INSTEAD OF HOMELESSNESS ALLIANCE MOU, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR WITH THOSE CHANGES.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

7. POLK COUNTY TOURISM ALLIANCE REPORT:

Emily Bradley, Polk County Destination Development Manager, presented to the Board the first quarter results for Polk County Tourism Alliance. Ms. Bradley's presentation went over numbers for website sessions, social media traffic, and destination development initiatives (events). Ms. Bradley provided a recap of an event called Reconnect Summit which was for stakeholders and hosted tourism industry partners. This was a fully sponsored event that included the premiere

of the Great Oaks Food Trail promotional video, donated door prizes, and guest speakers. Something they are doing to promote the supporting of Polk County businesses is the Summer in Polk Initiative. Local businesses can sign up to participate and people can purchase gift cards and get bonus money to spend. Commissioner Gordon asked if she has been able to reach out to Western Oregon to interact more with them. Ms. Bradley stated that yes, she has been looking more into that. Commissioner Mordhorst wanted to thank Salem Alliance for teaming up with Polk County to work with us more.

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

- (a) Polk County Contract No. 22-132, Homelessness Alliance MOU
(Morgan Smith, County Counsel)
- (b) Polk County Contract No. 22-134, Oregon Timber Counties
Coalition MOU
(Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer)
- (c) Polk County Contract No. 22-144, Oregon Department of Veteran
Affairs
(Eric Enderle, VSO)
- (d) Polk County Contract No. 22-145 (Amendment 3 to Contract No.
21-211), Polk County Food Delivery
(Jennifer Segovia, FCO)

At 9:31 a.m. County Counsel announced that the meeting was recessed to Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations. (e) To conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions. The Executive Session ended at 9:52 a.m

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unavailable to sign

Lyle Mordhorst, Chair

Craig Pope

Craig Pope, Commissioner

Jeremy Gordon

Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner