

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES October 19, 2022

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

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

Staff present:

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.

The Homeless Prevention Advisory Council will be meeting on Thursday October 20, 2022 from 12:00 pm to 1:30 pm located in the first floor conference room at 182 SW Academy St, Dallas Oregon, 97338.

3. COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF October 12, 2022

MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER GORDON SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF October 12, 2022.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

7. EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT UPDATE:

Dean Bender, Emergency Management Manager, went over a timeline that he put together for the OR-Alerts (Marion-Polk Alerts), information on trainings and challenges that he has been experiencing. Mr. Bender also updated the Board on some staffing changes that are happening. Commissioner Pope asked if there was a plan for a drill or dry run process to help educate the citizens. Mr. Bender stated that they do have a plan to run tests in the future. Commissioner Pope stated he has concerns about only relying on one emergency alerting system and doesn't know if everyone will see it or pay attention to it. Commissioner Gordon asked how we can ensure that we don't get conflicting messages out to the constituents. Mr. Bender said the goal

is we would be updating our emergency management webpage with the necessary details.

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

- a) Polk County Contract No. 21-171, OHA
(Rosana Warren, Public Health)
- b) BOPTA Appointments, Clerks Office
Appoint Susan Thompson and Timothy English to the Board of Property Tax Appeals
- c) Polk County Order 22-13, Fair Board Reappointment
(Michael Stebbins)

There was no need for an executive session and Commissioner Gordon adjourned the meeting at 9:18 a.m.


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Lyle Mordhorst, Chair



Craig Pope, Commissioner



Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner