

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES February 22, 2023

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 present via Zoom.

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 Straus wanted to check in with the Commissioners about the year end reports for the Sherriff's Office. Commissioner Gordon stated he would follow up with the Sheriff about this. Commissioner Pope stated that the Sheriff is an independently elected official and that the Commissioners do not have authority over his office.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF February 15, 2023

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF February 15, 2023.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

7. PUBLIC SAFETY OPERATING LEVY – RE-AUTHORIZATION & RESOLUTION 23-03

Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, is recommending to the Board of Commissioners that they approve Polk County Resolution 23-03 which sets as the following:

1. To place a Local option Tax (operating levy) measure on the ballot for the May 16, 2023, general election to re-authorize the 2019 public safety levy in Polk County.
2. A local option tax (operating levy) in an amount not to exceed \$0.495/\$1,000 assessed value for the duration of five (5) years.
3. As part of the measure, the County would eliminate the final year of the 2019 voter approved public safety operating levy.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 23-03, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 23-03.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

8. RECLASSIFICATION OF AN EMPLOYEE

Matt Hawkins, Admin Services Director, is recommending the reclassification of an employee from an Accounting Technician I to the Chief Finance Clerk position. Should the reclassification be approved, it would be effective March 1, 2023 and would have a fiscal impact of approximately \$13,000.00 including PERS contributions should it be for 12 months.

APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD.


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

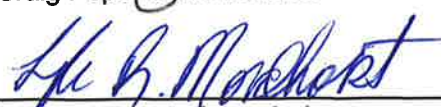
- a) Polk County Contract No. 23-23, Oregon Health Authority
(Rosana Warren, Behavioral Health)
- b) Polk County Contract No. 23-24, Oregon Health Authority
(Rosana Warren, Behavioral Health)
- c) Polk County Contract No. 23-26, IGA Among Linn, Marion, Polk, and Yamhill
Counties Governing the Mid-Willamette Jobs Council
(Morgan Smith, County Counsel)
- d) Re-Appointment Letter for the West Valley Housing Authority, Jackie
Jameson
(Nicole Pineda, Executive Assistant to BOC)

There was no need for an executive session and Commissioner Gordon adjourned the meeting at 9:09 a.m.

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Jeremy Gordon, Chair

Craig Pope, Commissioner

Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner