

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES May 1, 2024

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 Mordhorst and Commissioner Gordon were present.

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.

The Polk County Board of Commissioners will be attending the Polk County Local Public Safety Coordinating Council meeting on May 6, 2024 at 12:00 p.m., located at 850 Main St., Dallas, OR 97338

The Homeless Prevention Advisory Council (AKA P.A.T.H.S) will be meeting on May 8, 2024 from 12:00 pm to 2:00 pm located at 1407 Monmouth Independence Hwy, Monmouth OR 97361.

3. COMMENTS

Brent DeMoe and Stephanie Gilbert, Family and Community Outreach, were present at the meeting to remind the Board that May is cupcake month for FCO and they wanted to bring the Commissioners and Staff some cupcakes made by Ms. Gilbert. Ms. Gilbert stated they are delivering cupcakes to 40 different agencies this year and she made about 800 cupcakes this year. Mr. DeMoe explained why cupcake month has become important to their department. The Board thanked them coming and for bringing cupcakes.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM APRIL 17, 2024 & APRIL 24, 2024

MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM APRIL 17, 2024 & APRIL 24, 2024.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

7. PUBLIC HEARING FOR PLAN AMENDMENT PA 23-01 AND ZONE CHANGE ZC 23-01

Eric Knudson, Community Development Associate Planner, stated that we were here today to discuss PA 23-01 and ZC 23-01. Mr. Knudson stated that the applicants are proposing to change the Comprehensive Plan Designation to Farm Forest and the zoning to Farm Forest Overlay. Staff recommends that the Commissioners approve the proposal as presenting. Morgan Smith, County Counsel, read aloud a statement in regards to the land use public hearing.

Commissioner Pope opened the hearing to public comment at 9:08 a.m. for anyone in opposition. There was no one present for public comment. Commissioner Pope opened the public hearing to public comment for anyone in favor. The attorney for the applicants stated that they were present to answer any questions for the Commissioners if needed and she stated that they fully support this application and the hearings officer's decision. The Commissioner's did not have questions at this time. There was no one else present for public comment.

Commissioner Pope closed the hearing to public comment at 9:09 a.m.

Commissioner Pope asked if the other Commissioner's had any comments to provide. They did not have any comments to provide.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE PA 23-01 & ZC 23-01.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

8. OLDER AMERICANS' MONTH & PROCLAMATION NO. 24-02

Commissioner Pope provided some background information on Proclamation No. 24-02 and stated that this was something the Commissioners approved last year and he would like to keep this going forward. Betty Sledge was present today to provide an update for Northwest Senior and Disability Services (NWSDS) and the events that are happening in their organization. Mrs. Sledge stated that there were some changes that are happening with her position and that she just wants the county to be prepared. Commissioner Mordhorst asked if she works with Family & Community Outreach and Ms. Sledge answered his question. Commissioner Gordon thanked Commissioner Pope for connecting the NWSDA to the FCO department.

PROCLAMATION NO. 24-02 APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD.

Commissioner Pope read aloud Proclamation No. 24-02 for the record.

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


- (a) **Polk County Order No. 24-04, Brandt's Rate Adjustment
(Austin McGuigan, Community Development Director)**
- (b) **Polk County Contract No. 24-61, Marion County Health Department
(Rosana Warren, Behavioral Health)**
- (c) **Polk County Contract No. 24-62, Salem Health West Valley
(Rosana Warren, Behavioral Health)**

At 9:22 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.

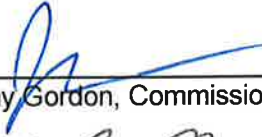
Commissioner Pope ended the executive session at 9:45 a.m. and instructed staff to move forward as discussed.

Commissioner Pope announced that this meeting was recessed until 11:30 a.m. where the Board and staff would be meeting in Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(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.

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Craig Pope, Chair



Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner



Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner