

TUESDAY WORK SESSION AGENDA
May 7, 2024
Courthouse Conference Room

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Approximate Time

AGENDA

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| 9:00 a.m. | 1. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE |
| | 2. COMMENTS (for items not on this agenda and limited to 3 minutes) |
| | 3. APPROVE MINUTES OF April 16, 2024 & April 23, 2024 |
| | 4. STAR RECOGNITION AWARD – Katie Finley |
| | 5. HOMELESSNESS PREVENTION AND SERVICES – FCO & MWVCAA |
| | 6. NON-LISTED ITEMS (Pursuant to ORS 192.640) |

Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. The meetings are held in the Board of Commissioners' 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 principal subjects anticipated to be considered. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners 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, Oregon.

A public meeting of the Budget Committee for Polk Extension Service District will be held in the Main Conference Room of the County Courthouse at 11:00 a.m., on Wednesday, May 8, 2024. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the budget for fiscal year July 1, 2024 to June 30, 2025 and to receive the budget message and document. Time is reserved for public comment at 11:15 a.m. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 3, 2024, at the Board of Commissioners' Office, Polk County Courthouse, during regular business hours. This is a public meeting where deliberation of the Budget Committee will take place. Any person may appear at the meeting and discuss the proposed budget with the Budget Committee.

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.

APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS

The Board sets aside a time at each regular meeting for comment by the public on subjects not appearing on the Agenda. Individuals may come forward and make any statement they wish, but not to exceed three (3) minutes in length, except as is required to give concise answers to questions from Board members. If the subject will require a lengthier presentation, or merits inclusion as an item on the Agenda of a future meeting, the Board shall schedule it accordingly.

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES

April 16, 2024

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope 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 and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.

2. COMMENTS (for items not on this agenda):

None.

3. MINUTES: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER GORDON

SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF April 2, 2024

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

4. PUBLIC HEARING – FOOD DELIVERY PROJECT

Stephanie Gilbert, Family & Community Outreach, was present today in order to hold a public hearing to be able to receive public comments about a food delivery service that was funded by state grants. Ms. Gilbert provided background information on what this was for and explained why they were here today.

Commissioner Pope opened the meeting to public comment at 9:10am

Commissioner Pope closed the meeting to public comment at 9:11am

No members of the public were present for the hearing and no one provided comments during the hearing.

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

Commissioner Gordon reported out on what happened at a rural homelessness summit the previous day. Polk County was one of several Counties that received \$1 Million rural homelessness pilot dollars in 2022. The Summit consisted of all the counties that received these dollars and they reported out what they have done with their respective programs and discussed ways to structure each county's homeless coordination office.

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.

Minutes: Morgan Smith

Approved: May 7, 2024

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2. COMMENTS (for items not on this agenda):

During public comment, Derrick Godwin from OSU extension presented, along with the director of Polk Soil and Water Conservation district. They asked for a letter of support for an OWEB technical assistance grant. The grant is for the Salt Creek Watershed, which has experienced flooding over the years. There is a belief that flooding has increased in the last few years. The grant money would be used for technical assistance on design changes and other fixes to potentially decrease the flooding and limit erosion and sediment that reaches the Willamette River.

Commissioner Gordon stated he supported the project and asked why the Salt Creek area is a specific area of concern. Mr. Godwin said the Salt Creek area provides an opportunity to utilize best practices that could be used in other watershed areas throughout the County. If the grant is successful, they would anticipate starting design work in the fall, with implementation of the plan starting next summer.

Commissioner Mordhorst supported the project as well, and asked whether the creek/watershed area contained fish. Mr. Godwin stated that cutthroat trout are present, and ODFW lists the Salt Creek area as a spawning ground for other fish species as well.

Commissioner Pope asked for grant submission history for these types of projects. Mr. Godwin stated that Extension has submitted several federal grants that were unsuccessful. This current grant is the first OWEB project with Extension and PSWCD. Commissioner Pope stated he was excited about landowner participation.

The board unanimously agreed to sign the letter of support.

3. OREGON DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES UPDATE

Joel Plahn, District 22 Watermaster, from Oregon Water Resources Dept provided an update. Mr. Plahn stated the bulk of his work in Polk County surrounds the Rickreall Creek and the Luckiumute river basin. Mr. Plahn outlined the water cuts engaged in 2023. Mr. Plahn outlined that the state has been more cognizant of local hemp and cannabis growers and has added staff to address issues related to these crop productions and ensuring proper water rights and access. Mr. Plahn stated he has been proactive working with local farmers over the years and that this relationship has led to increased compliance with shutoff notices and he is happy with the relationships and compliance within the community.

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None

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.