

**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**MINUTES September 4, 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 Grand Ronde Sanitary District Board is meeting on September 18, 2024 at 9:15 a.m. The meeting will take place in the Polk County Courthouse, 850 Main Street, Dallas, OR, 97338.

**3. COMMENTS**

None

**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 OF August 21, 2024**

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF August 21, 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. PROCLAMATION NO. 24-04 IN THE MATTER OF VOTERS REGISTRATION**

Commissioner Gordon dedicated this to his grandmother, who was born in 1911, and then read aloud Proclamation No. 24-04 for the record. All Commissioners signed the proclamation.

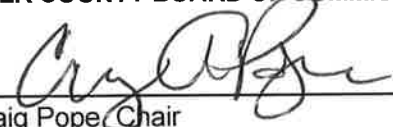

The following items were approved by Motion under **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

- a) Polk County Ordinance No. 24-05, In the matter of PA 24-01 & ZC 24-01  
(Sidney Mulder, Planning Manager)
- b) Polk County Resolution No. 24-10, In the matter of adopting the updated Polk County  
Multi-Jurisdictional Natural Hazard Mitigation Plan  
(Eric Knudson, Senior Planner)
- c) Declaring Surplus Property  
(Todd Whitaker, Public Works Director)

There no need for an executive session and before Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting he wanted to state on the record that there was another fatality on HWY 22 yesterday and the he wanted to share the Boards frustration with how long it is taking to make a safer intersection at HWY 22 and 51. Commissioner Mordhorst stated that they are moving forward with ODOT and they are close to moving into the design acceptance phase. He also shared his frustrations with having to follow all the legalities and necessary steps that they have to follow in order to get this done. Commissioner Mordhorst urged the public to send letters and emails to Washington D.C. and to their State Representatives and Senators.

Commissioner Pope then adjourned the meeting at 9:07 a.m.

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Craig Pope, Chair  
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Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner  
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Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner