

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING – MARCH 15, 2011
MINUTES

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Ainsworth was present. Chairman Propes was excused. A CD of the proceedings is on file in the Board of Commissioners' Office.
2. **MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 8, 2011.**

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

3. **SOLID WASTE RATE INCREASE**

Austin McGuigan, Community Development Director said that before the Board is the Hearings Officer's decision on a rate increase for Brandt Sanitary Service. He said that Brand Sanitary Service has not asked for an annual rate increase under the Polk County Code of Ordinances, Chapter 70 since 2001 and since that time they have experienced significant cost increases. They have requested a substantial rate increase that brings them slightly higher than franchises in Polk County but very close to what consumers in other counties are paying. Also, their operating margin would be slightly lower than the operating margin on other franchises in Polk County and they are adding services, particularly recycling with the urban growth boundary.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO MOVE THIS TO A CONSENT CALENDAR TO RATIFY THE HEARINGS OFFICER'S DECISION.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

4. **JUVENILE / YOUTH PROGRAMS DEPARTMENT UPDATE**

Trish Reding, Youth Services Manager presented a department update for the Juvenile department and Youth Programs. A copy of that presentation has been made a part of the permanent record.

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

(a) **VOLUNTARY MODIFIED WORK WEEK POLICY**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources Director said that a couple of years ago, the County adopted a Voluntary Modified Work Week Policy where employees could voluntarily reduce to .9 FTE and have benefits remain at 100%, except for those things tied to salary, i.e. PERS, IAP, and Social Security. He said that schedules for that policy were on an alternating basis where the employee would work 40 hours one week and 32 hours the next week. He said that he has updated that policy for Board approval, which would continue that option or allow employees to go to four nine hour days per work week if that would be in the best interest of the department.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE VOLUNTARY MODIFIED WORK WEEK POLICY.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 10:05 a.m.