

**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY MEETING – September 13, 2011**  
**MINUTES**

1. At 9:04 a.m., Chairman Pope declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Ainsworth and Commissioner Wheeler were present.
2. **MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2011,**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

3. **WEST SALEM CLINIC UPDATE**

Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, said Dalke Construction would be doing the remodeling on the building. When done, there will be approximately 12 to 14 offices and 2 conference rooms for group therapy. Initially this will not be a shared facility; however, with growth we may expand to the other side of the hall and share the facility with some of the partners that may want to reside there. Contracts will be signed with the property owner in approximately one week and the County should be in the facility approximately December 1.

Stacie Chance, Assistant Director of Health and Human Services, said initially the facility would house Addiction Services and Adult Outpatient Services. Within three months, they hope to incorporate Child Outpatient, Medication Management and Billing Services. She explained the process for staffing the clinic.

Geoff Heatherington, Mental Health Manager, explained that currently Marion County serves approximately 412 clients from Polk County. As word gets out of the services available at the new clinic, Polk County should recover a number of these clients. The wait time for an appointment in Polk County is much less than in Marion County. For this reason, it is expected that some Marion County clients may choose to receive their services from the West Salem clinic.

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

(a) **REQUEST FOR OUT OF STATE TRAVEL**

Stacie Chance said an employee of Public Health has received a grant to attend a conference in Las Vegas. The employee is requesting to attend the pre-conference at an additional cost of \$900. She is recommending the Board support the conference only and if the employee wants to go early and attend the pre-conference it would be at their own expense,

**MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO ACCEPT THE STAFF RECOMMENDATION TO SUPPORT THE CONFERENCE ONLY.**

**MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

(b) **PUBLIC HEALTH AUDIT**

Stacie Chance advised there is a federal audit of the Public Health Department being conducted today. Polk is one of two counties in the state that have been selected for an audit of our Family Planning Program Title 10 dollars.

(c) **WEYERHAEUSER UPDATE**

Commissioner Ainsworth reported on a tour of potential buyers held at the Weyerhaeuser mill in Dallas. There are two groups interested in the property. One group wants to reopen the mill and operate it. The second group wants to remove the equipment and ship it out of the country. Currently most of the raw logs are being shipped overseas as the price being paid is higher. One of the parties involved asked Weyerhaeuser if they would commit to providing raw logs to the mill if it were to reopen under new ownership. They would not commit. This is something that will need more work to try to accomplish. He is encouraged that people are finally starting to talk, as that has not happened in a long time.

(d) **COMMUNITY SERVICE RESCUE**

Greg Hansen said a community service crew, working in the Buena Vista Park area Monday, discovered a man who had fallen into the Willamette River. The man had apparently been in the water for approximately 10 minutes. Community Service personnel pulled the man from the river and called 9-1-1.

Chairman Pope said he is involved in the Red Cross Heroes Program. He would like to have a detailed written report so these individuals can be recognized for their timely actions.

Chairman Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:37 a.m.

Minutes: Rick Davisson

Approved: September 20, 2011