

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING – September 6, 2011
MINUTES

1. At 9:02 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 WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 30, 2011,**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **RECLASSIFICATION OF A DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY I**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources Director said that Stan Butterfield, District Attorney, is recommending the reclassification of an employee of the District Attorney's from a Deputy District Attorney I to a Deputy District Attorney II. The employee has been handling Measure 11 cases, which is a specific function of a Deputy District Attorney II. Fiscal impact for FY 11-12 is approximately \$5,700 including PERS.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE RECLASSIFICATION OF A DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY I TO A DEPUTY DISTRICT II.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **RECLASSIFICATION OF AN APPRAISER II AND SALARY RANGE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE GIS/CARTOGRAPHY TECHNICIAN**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources Director, said that Doug Schmidt, County Assessor is recommending the reclassification of an employee of the Assessor's Office from an Appraiser II to Sales Data Analyst. This employee is currently performing the duties of the Sales Data Analyst. The position is .75 FTE with a salary of (36F) \$2942.

Mr. Schmidt is also recommending a salary range adjustment for the GIS/Cartography Technician to bring it more in line with comparable counties. Current salary range is \$3,102 - \$3,922. The recommended salary range is \$3,240 - \$4,099.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE RECLASSIFICATION OF AN APPRAISER II TO SALES DATA ANALYST AND THE SALARY RANGE ADJUSTMENT FOR THE GIS/CARTOLOGY TECHNICIAN.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

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

(a) COUNTY CREDIT CARDS

Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, said that recently there have been problems when employees have attempted to use the County-issued credit cards because the cards are in the name of Polk County. Hansen is asking the Board to consider having individual cards issued in the names of the respective employees. There would be no charge to the County for these cards.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD AGREED TO HAVE POLK COUNTY CREDIT CARDS ISSUED TO QUALIFYING EMPLOYEES WITH THE STIPULATION THAT THE CARDS REMAIN SECURED IN THE BOARD OFFICE UNTIL NEEDED THEN RETURNED TO THE BOARD AFTER USE.

(b) CITIZEN COMPLAINT

Chairman Pope said he was very impressed by the work done on the park and ride at the Fairgrounds by Public Works. Pope explained a citizen has complained about the sign at the fairgrounds directing incoming traffic through the exit gate. The citizen contacted the Fairgrounds and was unhappy with the explanation given by staff. Pope contacted the citizen and advised them the problem had been resolved.

Chairman Pope recessed the meeting at 9:20 a.m.

Chairman Pope called the meeting back to order at 10:00 a.m.

6. HB3650 DISCUSSION

There was a round table discussion regarding House Bill 3650, with the following people being present:

Commissioner Pope, Commissioner Ainsworth and Commissioner Wheeler
Jim Thompson, State Representative
Jim Williams, Rep. Thompson's Office
Jim Russell, Mid Valley Behavioral Care Network
Geoff Heatherington and Noelle Carroll, Mental Health
Bob Brannigan, West Valley Hospital
George Green and Rodney Schroeder, NW Senior & Disability Services
Stacie Chance, Health & Human Services
Brent DeMoe, Commission for Children & Families
Randi Phillips, Public Health
Greg Hansen, County Administrator
Larry Tang, Polk Adolescent Day Treatment
Mike Bonetto, Governor's Office
Lane Shetterly, Trustee, West Valley Hospital

Geoff Heatherington explained this group met three weeks ago and discussed the changes that had occurred as a result of House Bill 3650. At that time it was agreed to meet in three weeks and invite Mike Bonetto, Governor Kitzhaber's Health Policy Advisor to speak to the group.

Bonetto provided the group with a handout outlining the next steps in Oregon Health Reform. This information included why transform and why now, Oregon's long term budget and a comparison of the rate of increase in Medicaid and PEBB health care expenditures vs. the rate of increase in state General Fund revenue. Also included was information on the future of Medicare, the goal and challenge of the plan.

Bonetto explained the vision of HB 3650, which is better coordination and integration of physical health, mental health, and elimination of fragmentation in the system and providers of all kinds working together through Coordination Care Organization (CCO's). CCO's will be responsible outcomes and resource allocation.

Chairman Pope said the County has no idea what we are getting into. He said the Commissioners were not engaged in this discussion from the beginning. He is concerned that the County is being told not to worry about it; we will be told when it is ready to implement. In the end, all responsibility for local service falls on the County.

Lane Shetterly said it seems to him that we are reducing revenue to drive reform. His concern is in the structure of the CCO's. He said that while the CCO's are meant to be community based, with the reduced revenues coming in to the State, everyone would need to have confidence in the distribution of those funds. If you assign that responsibility to a stakeholder, it might undermine the confidence of the other stakeholders that the funds are distributed equitably.

Jim Thompson said this is something we will need to watch. There is an assumption by some of the IPA's that they are going to be the CCO and dictate how it comes together and this will be problematic. There will need to be something to give us transparency and assure that input is not controlled.

Chairman Pope asked how we would guarantee safety net provisions. He is concerned with what is coming and what is going to be the end result for the County.

The remainder of the discussion included more thoughts from the group about the concern about possible power struggles for control of the CCO's, building relationships, involving physicians and developing a service delivery model.

The group agreed to meet again on September 27, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. An invitation will be issued to local physicians to attend this meeting.

Chairman Pope adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Minutes: Rick Davisson

Approved: September 13, 2011