

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING – NOVEMBER 1, 2011
MINUTES

1. At 9:02 a.m., Commissioner Ainsworth declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Wheeler was present. Commissioner Pope was excused.

2. **MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 25, 2011.**

MOTION PASSED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

3. **UNITED WAY**

Denise Swanson from the United Way presented gave an overview of the local programs and services that the United Way is helping with in Polk County.

In 2009, the former Commissioners' allowed Ms. Swanson to attend staff meetings and make presentations to each department to explain to staff what the United Way does and hand out pledge forms. Ms. Swanson requested permission to meet with staff again this year to give presentations on the United Way. The Commissioners expressed concern that having Ms. Swanson attend staff meetings would appear as though the County is favoring one charitable organization. Ms. Swanson explained that through the United Way, you can donate to any charitable organization of your choice.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED DENISE SWANSON TO HOLD LUNCH PRESENTATIONS THAT STAFF CAN CHOOSE TO ATTEND, AND PLACE UNITED WAY INFORMATION IN THE EMPLOYEE COMMUNIQUE NEWSLETTER.

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

- a. **WELLS ISLAND PARK**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources Director, informed the Board that years ago, the County had an agreement with the Bureau of Land Management to maintain Wells Island Park. Due to accessibility and fire/flood issues, the County relinquished the park back to BLM in the early 1990's. Phyllis Gregory from BLM recently called to inform the County that there is no 'paper trail', and requested that County now provide a document stating that we are relinquishing the property back to BLM.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED MATT HAWKINS TO SIGN A LETTER ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY RELINQUISHING CONTROL OF WELLS ISLAND PARK BACK TO THE BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.

Commissioner Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 9:26 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Alvarez

Approved: November 8, 2011