

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
March 13, 2012

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

2. **MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 6, 2012.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **BOUNTY MARKET/SUMMERFEST REQUEST**

Chelsea Pope, Executive Director of the Dallas Chamber of Commerce presented two requests for use of the Courthouse lawn. The first for the Polk County Bounty Market, which is scheduled for Thursday afternoons from 2pm – 6pm, with set-up starting at noon. The market will run from May 3 – September 27. Chelsea also informed the Board that she is working to get market vendors approved to accept SNAP, so lower-income families can use their food stamps at the market to purchase fresh local produce.

The second request is for Summerfest, which will be held July 26-29 This year it will be a 'Wild Wild West' theme. Chelsea requested the use of a community service crew for set up and tear down if one is available.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE CHAMBER'S REQUEST TO USE THE COURTHOUSE LAWN FOR SUMMERFEST AND BOUNTY MARKET.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. **PROXY AUTHORITY FOR CCO MEMBERSHIP**

Commissioner Pope updated the Board on the CCO process. The Polk and Marion County planning group will be moving forward to build a business model for a CCO using an LLC corporate structure. The partners within the CCO planning group will be making a decision within the next week on the business structure and model that will be proposed in the Letter of Intent that will be sent to the Oregon Health Authority. This CCO will be the first of its kind using a LLC model. The planning group is making certain that Counties will have a governing say in the business model, and will have a place on the LLC Board of the CCO. Craig also informed the Board that Governor Kitzhaber has promised \$2.5 billion over the next 5 years for state CCO startup.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO AUTHORIZE CRAIG POPE TO SIGN CONFIDENTIALITY AGREEMENT AND MOU, AND TAKE ACTION ON BEHALF OF POLK COUNTY, SUBJECT TO THE RATIFICATION BY THE FULL BOARD.

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

5. **TITLE 3 DOLLARS**

Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, informed the Board that last year the Commissioners pledged \$10,000 of Title 3 monies to the Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) in conjunction with a federal grant for fuel reduction work. Jeff Classen, Dallas Unit Forester is now requesting these funds, which are available in the budget for this expenditure. Since ODF still has not found landowners willing to participate, the Board requested that Mr. Classen provide itemized statements showing how the funds are being used, and at the conclusion of the grant, return any unused funds.

6. **BUELL PARK USE REQUEST**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources Director presented a request for a group to use Buell Park for a retirement party on June 30. The Board approved this request, but wanted staff to advise the group that the park cannot be reserved but is only used on a first-come, first-serve basis.

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

a. **FACILITY USE REQUESTS**

Matt Hawkins presented two additional facility use requests. The first request was for the Academy Building gym, for 8th grade off-season basketball practice. The Board would like the group to check with the schools first, since most of the gyms are not used during the spring.

The second request was for the Academy building parking lot and amphitheater for a 4-H fun run on April 21. The Board approved this request on the condition that the group also contact and receive approval from the City of Dallas.

b. **NON-SOURCE POINT POLLUTION LETTER**

Commissioner Pope presented a letter that required the Board's signature. The letter is in support of asking the Solicitor General to present to the Supreme Court, the Counties concerns with the ruling in the Ninth Circuit Court, which forces all ditches on forest roads to be considered point-source pollutants. The Counties would like this decision overturned because there are already rules in place that provide protection for these streams and waterways.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD AGREED TO SIGN LETTER OF SUPPORT.

8. **COMMUNITY CONNECT PRESENTATION**

After re-locating the meeting to the larger Courthouse conference room, Michelle Bornfleth, PCCCF Literacy Coordinator presented a PowerPoint recap of the Community Connect event that was held in January. The event was very successful, with approximately 475 people attending. Community members were assisted with dental and medical care, bike repair, clothing, food, etc. and connected with other community resources. The event cost a little over \$3,000 to hold, but the in-kind contributions totaled almost \$80,000 (not including meals served). The group is in preliminary discussions to hold another event in September, but if not, this will continue to be at least an annual event in January. For next time, the planning group will need to look at other locations that could accommodate a larger group.

Chairman Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 10:25 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Alvarez
Approved: March 20, 2012