

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
October 2, 2012

1. At 9:00 a.m., Chairman Ainsworth declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Wheeler and Commissioner Pope were present.

2. **MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 25, 2012.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST**

Dean Bender, Emergency Manager requested permission to attend the International Association of Emergency Managers conference in Orlando, Florida October 27 through November 1.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL REQUEST.

4. **ACADEMY GYM USE REQUEST**

Matt Hawkins, Human Resources and General Services Director, presented a request for use of the Academy Building gym for a community volleyball program. The program would run October 30 - April, on Tuesday evenings and every other Friday.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE GYM USE REQUEST.

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

- a. **CITY OF DALLAS URBAN RENEWAL MEETING**

Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer informed the Board that there is an Urban Renewal Meeting this evening regarding the City of Dallas streetscape design scenarios. Commissioner Pope expressed concern that the types/kinds of trees proposed in the plans have not been identified. The Commissioners were also concerned that some of the design concepts proposed are on County property, but the City of Dallas has not requested County input or approval.

- b. **PERS RATES**

Greg Hansen presented the proposed PERS employer rates, which were approved by the PERS Board on Friday. These rates are for two years, beginning July 1, 2013. The rates for Polk County will be an increase of approximately 3.1% overall. Each 1% increase equals approximately \$130,000 in increased benefits cost. Polk County fared better than most other entities across the State, even though some entities, like Marion and Multnomah Counties show lower rates, these entities have bond indebtedness that they are also paying.

Chairman Ainsworth adjourned the meeting at 9:32 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Alvarez

Approved: October 9, 2012