

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
October 8, 2013

1. At 9:05 a.m., Commissioner Wheeler declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Pope and Commissioner Ainsworth were present.
2. **MINUTES** **COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 1, 2013.**
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.
3. **BELL RINGING CAMPAIGN REQUEST** - Melissa Baurer, Community Resource Director and Jeremy Baker, Assistant Core Officer with the Salvation Army (SA) attended the meeting to give an update on the SA activities in Polk County.

At the end of summer, SA held a community barbecue in Falls City and provided backpacks and school supplies to every child in the School District. The SA is also partnering with Service Integration on various projects, and has approximately \$12,000 allocated for social services and emergency assistance in Polk County. Currently, the SA is serving as the coordinator for the Dallas Adopt-a-Family. Brent DeMoe, Service Integration Manager is providing office space on Thursdays for Melissa for the duration of the adopt-a-family program.

From November 24 - December 24 the SA holds the Red Kettle Campaign. There are 5,000 shifts, and currently only 8% are filled. The Dallas, Central, and West Salem Service Integration teams will be competing in a 'Battle of the Bells' on December 7, but more volunteers are needed for other dates. The Polk County locations are Roth's and Safeway in West Salem, Roth's in Independence, Bi-Mart in Monmouth, and Safeway and Wal-Mart in Dallas. All of the money raised in Polk County stays in Polk County and is used for food, emergency assistance, and social services for local families. Brent agreed that information about volunteering will be placed in the monthly SITCOMM newsletter.

Brent DeMoe recognized the Salvation Army and the increased presence and services being offered in Polk County since Major Kelly and Melissa Baurer have been managing the programs.

4. **2009 HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN PROGRESS REPORT** - Austin McGuigan, Community Development Director gave an update on the one action item that has not been completed. The multi-jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan has eight chronic hazards and two catastrophic hazards that the County mitigates to keep the costs down on repairs and rebuilding if and when there is a natural hazard event. The one action item is dealing with expansive soils, which are soils that expand and contract when wet, causing excessive damage to infrastructure. Public Works has created a diagram of a road design method for dealing with expansive soils, and needs to be included in the Polk County Road Standards. The Steering Committee evaluated this action item and it should be completed by the deadline of October 1, 2014.
5. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.) None.

Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Alvarez
Approved: October 15, 2013