

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
October 15, 2013

1. At 9:00 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 AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 8, 2013.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. **WINTERFEST REQUEST** - Chelsea Pope, Executive Director of the Dallas Chamber requested permission to use the Courthouse lawn on December 6 for the Winterfest Celebration and tree lighting. There will be free hot cocoa and cookies and Santa Clause will be on hand to take pictures with the community. The event will be from 5-8pm, and the set-up will start at 10am. New snowflakes are being purchased to fit on the new light poles being installed on the 800 and 900 block of Main Street.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE WINTERFEST REQUEST.

4. **LATTER DAY SAINTS INTRODUCTION** - Nona Springer, Public Affairs Coordinator (503) 917-9822, Dana Peterson, Stake President, and Steve Anderson and Susan Brewster, from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints introduced themselves. Dana explained that there are 11 wards within the boundaries of Polk County, totalling approximately 3,600 Polk County residents. Dana offered the Churches support and assistance in volunteering for community projects. Members of the Church already participate in Service Integration teams within the County. The Church has also recently purchased Camp Kilowan in Falls City and are completing a renovation on the Campgrounds. Once the renovation is finished in the spring, they will host a tour for the Commissioners.

5. **2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT AWARD** - Dean Bender, Emergency Manager presented a request for approval to accept a grant for \$75,000 from the Office of Emergency Management to purchase a deployable surveillance trailer. Polk County partnered with Lincoln County on this grant to be a beta test site, since there are no surveillance systems like this in the State. After the initial purchase, the ongoing cost would be \$40 per month for the cost of the Air Card. There would also be maintenance agreements when another agency wants to use it to hold them liable for damages and repairs.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE 2013 HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT AWARD.

6. **ADDICTIONS COUNSELOR RECLASSIFICATION** - Matt Hawkins, Administrative Services Director requested a reclassification from an Addictions Counselor 1 to an Addictions Counselor II. The fiscal impact for the year will be approximately \$1,800, effective October 1, 2013.

BY CONSENSUS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE RECLASSIFICATION.

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

- a. **ANNOUNCEMENT** - Commissioner Wheeler announced a location change to the 'Yes for Polk County Public Safety' meeting listed on the agenda on October 16. The meeting will be held at First American Title, 280 Liberty St SE, Salem, OR. The location for the meeting scheduled for October 23 will also be changed, but a location has not yet been determined.

- b. **HOSPITAL GENERATOR** - West Valley Hospital, under the guidance of Salem Health, has asked Polk County to be a recipient of their 25KW Generator, which is being replaced. West Valley Hospital is awaiting the arrival and installation of their new generator before Polk County can take possession. Staff are trying to determine the best location for the generator to be placed, but most likely will be installed at the Fairgrounds.

Chair Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 9:41 a.m.

Minutes: Heather Alvarez
Approved: October 22, 2013