

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
April 8, 2014

1. At 9:04 a.m., Commissioner Wheeler declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Ainsworth was present. Commissioner Pope was excused.
2. **MINUTES** **COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MARCH 25, 2014.**

MOTION PASSED BY A UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

3. **E-COMMERCE ENTERPRISE ZONE** - Austin McGuigan, Community Development Director and Shawn Irvine, City of Independence Economic Development Director explained that the City is interested in applying for an e-commerce zone which would give an income tax deferral incentive for new businesses. The e-commerce zone would overlay the enterprise zone, which incorporates the cities of Monmouth, Dallas, and Independence, and outside the cities at the Rickreall Dairy. The Cities of Dallas and Monmouth have already approved the E-commerce zone. The Board directed staff to draft a resolution for approval on next Wednesday's consent calendar to approve the e-commerce zone.
4. **ASPEN STREET VACATION** - Eric Berry, County Surveyor presented a request for the County to vacate Aspen Street, which is an undeveloped right of way below the Pentacle Theater that would connect 52nd and 53rd Avenues. However, due to the topography of the area, it is not feasible to develop the property. The Pentacle Theater has developed its own bypass road between 52nd and 53rd, called Pentacle Avenue, that it will dedicate to the public in exchange for the County vacating the Aspen Street right of way. The Pentacle Theater is the only property owner along the road. The Board agreed to proceeding with the vacation. An Order for the vacation is on the Consent Calendar for April 9, 2014.
5. **AOC DUES** - Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer presented two invoices for AOC Dues totaling approximately \$17,500. There is a new charge this year for a Veteran's Fund, which the Board discussed because Polk County does not have a Veteran's Affairs office due to the close proximity to the state offices. Commissioner Wheeler and Commissioner Ainsworth opted to table this item until the following week so Commissioner Pope could participate in the discussion.
6. **NON-LISTED ITEMS** (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.)
 - (a) **OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUEST** - Noelle Carroll, Health Services Director, presented a request for two staff to attend a training for the Second Chance Grant. This training is required for the County to receive the grant and all travel associated with the training is reimbursed by the grant. The training is May 13-17 in Washington DC.

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

Commissioner Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 9:29.

Minutes: Heather Merrill
Approved: April 15, 2014