

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 21, 2014

1. At 9:01 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session. Commissioner Wheeler and Commissioner Ainsworth were present.

2. **MINUTES** **COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER WHEELER SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF OCTOBER 14, 2014.**

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

3. **OUT OF STATE TRAVEL REQUEST** – Mark Garton requested to go out of state to Fort Lewis to pick up a new copier granted to the department. The copiers estimated value is \$5,400 and the cost for shipping the machine to us is significantly higher than that of traveling costs to go retrieve the copier. Mark Garten would leave this Thursday, October 23rd.

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

4. **END OF YEAR LUNCHEON** –Matt Hawkins is requesting to hold a survey monkey for all Polk County employees to find out if they want to continue having an EOY luncheon or if they would rather have an annual summer BBQ. In recent years the attendance to the EOY luncheon has dwindled significantly and some employees have suggested doing a summer BBQ instead. Matt suggested if the summer BBQ were to take place that it could be held on County ground, therefore save money on the rental fee of the Civic Center. It was asked if the Board thought it appropriate to send out the survey to get more of an input from County employees on what event they would prefer to attend.

BY CONSESUS, THE BOARD APPROVED FOR A SURVEY TO BE SENT OUT TO POLK COUNTY EMPLOYEES REGAURDING THE END OF YEAR LUNCHEON VS. SUMMER BBQ

5. **DOAKS FERRY ROAD DESIGN RATIFICATION** – Todd Whitaker, Public Works Director, asked for approval from the Commissioners to move forward with his final design for the Doaks Ferry Road Project, something that has been worked on for nearly 8 months. During that period of time, Polk County held a public forum which solicited a number of comments and concerns. After reviewing those comments and concerns, a design recommendation was developed by Oregon Transportation Professionals and reiterated by staff. The recommendation included the following: 1. Select Option 2 (Y intersection) as the preferred design option. This option realigns DFR while maintaining the existing DFR connection for westbound OR22W traffic while making a right turn. 2. Pursue the re-commissioning of the Highway 22 Corridor between Oak Grove Road and Rosemont Ave. 3. Work with ODOT to see that the interchange at OR22/OR51 is completed, along with the associated backage roads as soon as possible. 4. Work with ODOT to evaluate and address the potential safety issue involved in the left-outturn movement from Riggs Street. 5. Incorporate a reduced speed into the final design to reduce noise and impact to local residential areas. 6. Evaluate the impact of the realignment on school bus circulation and work with the affected school district to incorporate safe school bus circulation into the design. The next step is to push the design forward, with final designs and permits being so time consuming the project is looking to be constructed sometime in the 2016 year.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER WHEELER MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED, TO APPROVE STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS INVOLVING THE DOAKS FERRY ROAD RE-ALIGNMENT PROJECT

MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

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

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:34 am.

Minutes: Jessie Trowbridge
Approved: October 28, 2014