

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES January 9, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners to be in session. Commissioner Ainsworth was present and Commissioner Mordhorst was excused.

Staff present: Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer
 Matt Hawkins, Administrative Services Director

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. The meetings are held in the Courthouse Conference Room, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon at 9:00 a.m. and is conducted according to a prepared agenda that lists the principal subjects anticipated to be considered. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board may consider and take action on subjects that are not listed on the agenda.

Department Head/staff meetings with the Board of Commissioners are held on Monday, Thursday, and Friday. The meetings are held in the Board of Commissioners' Office Conference Room and are conducted between 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. The principal subjects anticipated to be considered are on-going, upcoming, and new matters bearing on County operations. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners may consider and take action on subjects not listed within this announcement.

The Compensation Committee will be meeting January 24, 2019 at 10:00 a.m. in the Polk County Courthouse Conference Room, located at 850 main street, Dallas.

3. COMMENTS (FOR ITEMS NOT ON THIS AGENDA) – Todd Whitaker, Public works Director, informed the board that several months ago he submitted an application for grant for a safe route to school project for the intersection at Hoffman and Gunclub road. The project would be broken down into 3 elements. The first element being a signalized crosswalk at the intersection, second being sidewalks on west side of Gunclub road from Hoffman down to Marigold, and element 3 was sidewalks on the south side of Hoffman between Monmouth city limits and Gunclub road. ODOT asked them to eliminate the traffic signal because it was making them ineligible for the Grant. Mr. Whitaker stated that they tried to educate ODOT about safe routes to school program and showed the federal guidelines showing that it was a pedestrian safety improvement so the application was submitted as is. It went to the safe routes advisory committee and ODOT recommended that the traffic signal be eliminated so that is what they are moving forward with and they want Polk County to agree. ODOT is stating that a traffic light is not a pedestrian improvement. Commissioner Pope stated that as disappointed he is that they did not approve the traffic signal he does not want to lose the possibility of having the sidewalks. Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, stated that they will have to add barriers to the Hoffman road area because kids don't want to walk the extra block to use the crosswalk and will try and cross the street.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION: COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING OF JANUARY 2, 2019

MOTION: COMMISSIONER POPE MOVED, COMMISSIONER AINSWORTH SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 2, 2018.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

7. LENGTH OF SERVICE – The following employee(s) were recognized for their length of service with Polk County: Dean Bender – 15 Years

At 09:45 a.m., Commissioner Pope asked if there was a need for executive session. Staff answered that there was not and the meeting was adjourned.

The following items were approved by Motion under **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

(a) ORDER NO. 19-02

Adopt Order No. 19-02 in the matter of appointing Shellie Berry to the Polk County Fair Board.

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Craig Pope, Chair



Wilke Ainsworth, Commissioner



Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner