

## INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES

October 19, 2015

2:00 p.m.

Commissioners' Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary Starrett and Stan Primozich being present with Commissioner Allen Springer being excused.

Staff: Chuck Vesper, Christian Boenisch, Desiree Lundeen, Sheriff Tim Svenson, Sue Lamb, Mike Green, and John Phelan.

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News-Register; and Bob Schulte.

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\* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Commissioner Starrett called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

- \* Personnel - Approve the following position management authority changes in Marine Fund 10-4:
  - a. Remove Sergeant 10-42-401.08, Range 16 and replace with Lieutenant 10-42-401.08, Range 18.
  - b. Reclassify Steve Warden as regular part-time Lieutenant, hourly SFMGT Range 18 Step 8, and continue to include his incentives for his Advanced certification and Associates.
  
- \* Contracts/Grants - Approve an agreement between Yamhill County and First Transit Inc. to extend the existing agreement, total amount of \$12,366, retroactive to July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

### Department Updates

**Emergency Management** - Sue Lamb briefed the commissioners on recently completed exercises and trainings, including the Great ShakeOut Drill held on October 15<sup>th</sup>. She said overall, it had a very good response. Commissioners Starrett and Primozich suggested getting together with Sue at another time to discuss plan structures and the county's ability to perform it's duties in case of a real emergency. Commissioner Starrett said it would be helpful to have all department managers on board and make sure they are provided with resources.

**Treasurer** - Mike Green provided an update on the performance summary stating that the total investments through September 30, 2015 equaled \$9.3 million; an increase of \$4 million from prior quarter. He said that in the last month he's been going with corporate bonds and will continue to look in that arena in order to balance the portfolio and shared his concerned about interest rates doubling.

- \* **Review 2015 updates to TSP** - John Phelan and Bob Schulte discussed the highlights of the Transportation System Plan (TSP) for adoption of the 2015 updates to the TSP. Bob said that

they've been working on the TSP for several years now to identify improvement projects that the county can perform over the next 20 years. He talked about existing transportation needs in state and county facilities within several need categories to see where the greatest needs are currently and came up with a list of 21 priority improvement locations and developed improvement options. He stated that they work closely with RIAC in reviewing findings and get input from them. He added that the Planning Commission voted in favor of the draft plan and recommendation of board approval.

Commissioners Starrett and Primozych discussed signing a letter of support to Malheur County's adoption of Resolution R15-34, which opposes a national monument, wilderness area, or conservation area of 2.1 million acres in Southern Malheur County known as the Owyhee Canyon lands, stating that it will only have a negative economic impact to those living in the area.

The meeting adjourned at 3:24 p.m.

Lucy Flores Mendez  
Secretary