

**INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES**

**February 2, 2016**

2:00 p.m.

Commissioners' Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary Starrett, Stan Primozich and Allen Springer.

Staff: Laura Tschabold, Chuck Vesper, Christian Boenisch, Desiree Lundeen, Ted Smietana and Sherrie Mathison.

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News-Register

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\* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Commissioner Starrett called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Community Justice update - Ted Smietana stated that his department is in the middle of budget preparation and seems to be solid with no crisis to report.

He announced that Jessica Beach has been managing all the work around pre-trial and has gotten national recognition. She was recently selected as the regional president for the National Association of Pretrial Service Agencies (NAPSA) and will be attending a conference in Washington D.C. on February 3<sup>rd</sup>.

He discussed the Justice Reinvestment Program and upcoming site visits from consultant Becky Nay from the Bureau of Justice Assistance on June 3<sup>rd</sup> and February 23<sup>rd</sup>. Ted informed the commissioners that the first quarter progress report is now complete and overall doing well. He stated that there has been a lot of interest from other jurisdictions that are interested in looking at Yamhill County's pretrial programs.

Ted briefed the commissioners on the jail notification system that provides automatic court notifications for pretrials, implemented in July 2015. He noted that it has made a big impact on the failure to appear rate and about 80% of calls have been successful and feels that with a few minor changes to the system, the percentage of successful calls will continue to increase.

He added that there are two current vacancies in the Juvenile Department that they are recruiting for. He said they may have a selected candidate for the Office Specialist II position but is still to be determined.

\* Contracts/Grants - Approve Amendment #5 to Intergovernmental Agreement #147808 between Yamhill County HHS and the Oregon Health Authority for the financing of Community Addictions and Mental Health services, total amount of \$75,241, retroactive to January 1, 2016 through June 30, 2016.

\* Committees - Approve the appointment of Mary Chamness to the Forestland Classification Committee to serve a 4-year term to expire February 4, 2020.

- \* Miscellaneous - Approve a petty cash account in the amount of \$50 for the HHS Newberg office.

Commissioner Starrett discussed a copy of letter she received from Linn County addressed to the governor regarding Senate Bill 1532, proposing a minimum wage increase in Oregon. Laura Tschabold said she would contact the Accounting Department to see how the increase would impact the county and get back to the Board.

Following commissioner updates, the meeting adjourned at 2:36 p.m.

Lucy Flores Mendez  
Secretary