

**INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES**

**April 15, 2013**

2:00 p.m.

Commissioners' Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Kathy George, Mary P. Stern, and Allen Springer.

Staff: Laura Tschabold, Rick Sanai, and Ken Huffer.

Guests: Nathalie Hardy, News-Register.

\* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Kathy called the meeting to order at 2:07 p.m.

\* Personnel - Kathy presented personnel requests from various departments. See formal session agenda for details.

\* Contracts/Grants - See agenda for details.

Ken Huffer discussed the memorandum of understanding with Willamette Water Trail Partnership, explaining that this is part of a state-wide effort regarding water trails, and many other partners have already signed it. He said that Yamhill County has two sites on the Willamette River that are part of the water trail, so it should be represented at the group meetings. He confirmed that the trail would not affect the closed Newberg Landfill. He agreed to be the county's designated representative for the meetings.

\* Parks Reservation Policy - Ken stated that the policy hasn't been updated in quite some time. He reviewed the proposed changes, noting that the Parks Board would conduct an annual review of the existing parks inventory to determine which ones should be available for reservations. He added that the reservation availability would be shown on the county's website, and he would work toward accepting reservations and payments online as well. The Board agreed to include the item on the non-consent agenda to allow time for further review.

Minutes -

**B. O. 13-217** - Mary moved approval of the minutes from the March 25, 2013, informal session. The motion passed unanimously.

\* See agenda for formal session minutes to be adopted.

\* Surplus Property - Declare Public Works Unit #79-198, a 1979 Caterpillar front loader, as surplus county property to be sold on eBay to the highest bidder, reserve price \$10,000.

The meeting adjourned at 2:33 p.m.

Anne Britt  
Secretary