

INFORMAL SESSION MINUTES

July 20, 2015

2:00 p.m.

Commissioners' Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Allen Springer and Mary Starrett; Stan Primozich being excused.

Staff: Chuck Vesper, Todd Sadlo, Desiree Lundeen, Sherrie Mathison and Mike Green.

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News-Register; Nathalie Hardy, April Lehman, Vaughn Lee, Melissa Lee, Donald Lehman, Kevin Gray, Dawn-Marie Gray, and Debra Bridges.

* indicates item forwarded to formal agenda

Allen called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

* Minutes - Consideration of the approval of the following minutes:

- a. February 26, 2015, formal session;
- b. March 5, 2015, formal session;
- c. March 16, 2015, informal session;
- d. March 23, 2015, informal session;
- e. May 14, 2015, formal session;
- f. May 28, 2015, formal session; and
- g. June 4, 2015, formal session.

* Contracts/Grants - see agenda for details.

Department Updates

* **Treasurer:** Mike Green provided a brief performance summary stating that earnings for the 4th quarter of the fiscal year totaled \$66,499 versus \$42,538 for the same time period last year. He discussed the renewal of the Investment Policy with amended language, the re-appointment of Kathy Tri to serve another three-year term on the Local Investment Advisory Committee, and the increase in the investment cap to \$12 million subject to a review in January 2016.

Solid Waste Dept.: Sherrie Mathison discussed the permit renewals for Whiteson and Newberg landfills, with the requirement of gas, surface water and deep water monitoring in the post-closure permit. She said that currently there are consultants on each of the two landfills but would prefer to have one consultant for both landfills do the consulting for a three-year term as well as the focus site investigation. After receiving bids from three different consulting firms with Hahns and Associates Inc. being the lowest bid and will work with County Counsel on contracts to present to the board. She added that the site investigation needs to be completed and submitted to DEQ by September 30th.

Life Jacket Loaning Station Project - Nathalie Hardy and a few members of the YamCo Watch group presented the Life Jacket Kiosks at Rogers Landing project. She explained that the project

is being organized by a group of committed volunteers and the administrators of the YamCo Watch citizen media group, that will aide first responders in keeping citizens safe. She said they have partnered with a student from Newberg High School who will be taking this on as her senior project as well as working with local agencies to provide outreach and education on water safety and the importance of wearing life jackets. Commissioners Springer and Starrett were both in support of the project and requested supplemental information such as a detailed plan and sketch of the kiosk and signage.

Following commissioner updates, the meeting adjourned at 3:13 p.m.

Lucy Flores Mendez
Secretary