

INFORMAL WORK SESSION MINUTES
April 23, 2019 1:30 p.m.

Room 32, Courthouse
535 NE Fifth St.

Present: Commissioners Richard L. “Rick” Olson, Mary Starrett and Casey Kulla.

Staff: Ken Huffer, Christian Boenisch, Todd Sadlo, Mikalie Moreno, Keri Hinton, Silas Halloran-Steiner, Lindsay Manfrin, Gary Wertz, Jarod Logsdon, Josephine Ko, Ken Friday and Ashley Watkins

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News Register; and Dave Adams – KLYC and others as listed on the sign-in sheet

Commissioner Olson called the meeting to order at 1:31 p.m.

A. CALENDAR SESSION: This time is reserved for the review of the commissioner’s joint schedule (if needed).

The Commissioners reviewed the joint schedule for the week of April 23-28, 2019. No other county business was discussed.

B. WORK SESSION: This time is reserved for topics of discussion scheduled for the Commissioners in advance. If a work session is not needed, the balance of the meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

1. Work Session – Review/discussion of SWAC Bylaws

Ken Friday, Planning Director and Ashley Watkins, Solid Waste Coordinator reviewed the Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) bylaw recommendations. There was discussion regarding how many committee members are selected and the number of industries represented that hold voting positions. The consensus of the Board was for staff to review the ordinance and bylaws of nearby counties and revise the bylaws regarding voting members if necessary.

2. Continuum of Care Presentation:

Janet Carlson presented the causes and drivers of homelessness in the region. She highlighted funding resources, asset inventory and studies of continuum of care in the region. She discussed the main purpose of continuum of care is to develop a long-term strategic plan, manage a year-round planning effort and to prepare an application for McKinney-Vento homeless assistance act. The long-term governance structure will require a coalition of cities and counties with planning requirements. Ms. Carlson recommended the Marion-Polk-Yamhill County region establish a joint continuum of care. The benefit of a coalition lead organization is the ability to attain funding more effectively. The Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments has been identified as an entity to house the continuum of care. Ms. Carlson reviewed in her presentation what a model plan would look like.

Sean O'Day, Executive Director-MWVCOG, noted there is no obligation for COG members to participate in this venture. Any council of government participation would be voluntary.

C. INFORMAL SESSION: This time is reserved for briefings, receipt of reports, consultation among commissioners and staff, reports from commissioners on recent actions in the areas of their responsibilities, and other personnel and administrative decisions as appropriate.

1. Department Updates

a. Fair – Gary Wertz

Mr. Wertz stated the pavilion and fairgrounds have maintained steady event rentals. He noted out of area high school equestrian teams have been using the facilities recently. The Pacific Overland and Auction is this weekend and 90-100 historic carriages are expected to be at the auction. Washington County is building a 47,000 square foot fair facility and is coordinating with YC fairgrounds to hold events here during its construction. Mr. Wertz emphasized the benefit of tourism revenue and the amount of economic business that these events bring to the county.

2. Thursday Formal Session Agenda Review

a. Consent Agenda Review (keep or move to non-consent)

b. Non-consent Agenda Review (add to consent or leave off)

The consensus of the Board was to move items D1 - D7 to Thursday's agenda with the exception of item D5 which is to remain on non-consent.

3. Executive Session: None

4. Commissioner Updates/Announcements/Discussion:

Following commissioner updates the meeting adjourned at 3:39 p.m.

Carolina Rook

Secretary