



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

October 17, 2007

BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

County of Lake County
State of Oregon

REGULAR SESSION

The Lake County Board of Commissioners met in Regular Session on Wednesday, October 17, 2007 at 10:03 a.m. The following members were present: Chair, Bradley J. Winters, Ken Kestner and Dan Shoun. Also present: Administrative Assistant Bob Pardee and Clerical Assistant Nicole Cobian.

Additions: Meeting Minutes from 10/16/07

Public Comment

None

Public Health

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts Agreement Number 122774, the Environmental Health Contract Agreement between the Department of Human Services and the Lake County Health Department as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Shoun and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts the Lake County Public Health Personal Services Contract for Nurse Practitioner Amy Holweger as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the Children Care Coordination Contract CFDA No. 93.994, an Agreement between the Oregon Health & Science University and the Lake County Board of Commissioners as presented.

Business Department

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves Resolution #2007-104 In the Matter of Unanticipated Funds related to the Public Health Fund in the amount of \$1016.00 as presented.

Reclassification of Chief Tax Deputy- Commissioner Shoun suggested that this matter be tabled until further discussion, and additional questions regarding the financial decisions to fund this request will be asked of the Department head.

Road Dept Right-of-way

By Consensus of the Board, Chairman Winters is authorized to sign Right-of-Way Permit #2007-47 for Linda Domingos and Tony Beltran and Permit #2007-48 for Centurytel as presented.

Miscellaneous

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts Amendment #3 to Intergovernmental Agreement 90G000113 as presented. This Amendment will increase the dollar amount that Lake County will receive from the Building Codes Division for electrical inspections performed by the County.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commission Shoun and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the 2007-2008 Sub-agreement for the Drug Free Communities Support Program as presented. This Sub-agreement is related to the Federal Grant that was awarded to the Lake County Mental Health and the Lake County Sheriff's Department from the United States Department of Justice.

By consensus the Board approves the expense of \$832 to be reimbursed to the Lane County Board of Commissioners office for Safety-Net Lobby efforts by Cassidy & Associates as requested in the Letter from Commissioner Faye Stewart of Lane County.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Shoun and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts Amendment #3 to the 2007-2009 Intergovernmental Agreement for the Financing of Mental Health, Developmental Disability and Addiction Services Agreement #119937 as presented. This Amendment will provide additional start-up funds from the Department of Human Services.

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby accepts Eric Shpilman's recommendation to appoint Ruby Duffner from Silver Lake to serve on the Lake County Commission on Children and Families Board.

10:35 – Break

10:46 - Resume

Community Service

Eric Shpilman reported that the Community Service Supervisor is still out on Medical Leave until at least November 14, 2007. The Part-time Title III Community Service Supervisor is carrying a schedule as best as possible.

Discussion followed regarding how these positions are funded, and their duties. There was also discussion regarding getting the new Community Service Trailer licensed and titled to the County for use. Mr. Shpilman will get information to the Fleet Manager to be processed.

Discussion followed regarding Safety/Accident reporting and investigation measures to ensure preventable accidents and injuries can be avoided in the future.

Mr. Shpilman reported that there is a significant problem state-wide with Juvenile's coming into the Juvenile system that are not legal U.S. Citizen's. He has spoken with Counsel Bailey regarding the liabilities to the County when this situation is known. Discussion followed.

County Lands

Mr. Pardee reported that he will be in Christmas Valley on Friday to follow-up on two nuisance issues.

Mr. Pardee explained the issue with the wind tower in Adel which has blown over. Counsel Bailey suggested that the County write a letter to the Department of Energy requesting permission to dispose of the damaged tower. Mr. Pardee will follow-up with the Department of Energy regarding this issue.

Office Updates

Parks –Mr. Pardee reported on the status of the grant application for Egan Park in Plush.

Facilities – Mr. Pardee reported on the Guard Rail that will be installed at the East Entrance to the Courthouse.

Property Tax Statements / Timing

Discussion followed regarding the appropriate public notice and the timing of the new software implementation.

Minutes

Upon motion by Commissioner Winters, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the July 10, 2007 Work Session minutes as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Winters and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the July 17, 2007 Work Session minutes as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Winters and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the July 18, 2007 Regular Session minutes as corrected.

Upon motion by Commissioner Winters, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the July 31, 2007 Work Session minutes as corrected.

Upon motion by Commissioner Winters, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the August 1, 2007 Regular Session minutes as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Winters and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the August 14, 2007 Work Session minutes as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Winters and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the September 12, 2007 Work Session Minutes as presented.

Upon motion by Commissioner Shoun, seconded by Commissioner Kestner and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby approves the October 16, 2007 Work Session minutes as corrected.

Recess at 11:47

11:50 – Resume

Financial Update

Robin Drinkwater indicated that at last check there was approximately \$296K in Unappropriated Funds (budgeted at \$290K), which are anticipated to carry payroll and operating expenses through the middle of November 2007.

Commissioner Shoun asked Ms. Drinkwater if she had spoken with Department heads regarding the need to hold off on approved capital expenditures until the Tax Statements have been mailed.

Commissioner Winters indicated that the County is not in jeopardy of being unable to operate, because if necessary (worst case scenario) a short-term loan can be taken from County Reserves.

Dave Girrard, Lake County Examiner, reported that he is scheduled to speak with the Tax Assessor regarding a story and facts regarding the issuance of this year's Property Tax Statements.

Commissioner Shoun asked if there was a specific mandate regarding when the Fiscal Year starts for a County. Discussion followed regarding this concept.

Legal Issues

None at this time.

12:02 - Retire to Executive Session

Executive Session under 192.660 (2) (d) & (h)

12:45 – Resume - No Decisions were made

Klamath-Lake Education Training Institute (KLETI)

By Consensus, the Board instructed Counsel Bailey to prepare a letter of withdrawal from the KLETI Board.

12:50 – Adjourn until 1:30

1:35 – Resume

Department of Human Services (DHS) Update

Introductions around...

Keith Breswick, Oregon Department of Human Services, updated group with the purpose of their visit. This is an interim review/audit of Services provided by Lake County

Mental Health as services transition from Lutheran Community Services (LCS) to Lake County Mental Health.

Deann Carr, Greater Oregon Behavioral Health, Inc. (GOBHI), indicated they will also be looking at how the transition is progressing from LCS to Lake County Mental Health.

Discussion followed regarding the outward transition of Harney County Behavioral Health (HCBH) in the management contract that ends December 31, 2007. This will be drafted by HCBH, Lake County Mental Health and Lake County Board of Commissioners. Possible partnership with HCBH will be considered for mutual benefits. (resource sharing, etc.)

General discussion followed regarding the real and perceived results of the transition from LCS to HCBH to Lake County, including services, community response, facility planning and financial reporting.

Randy Hart (Lake County Mental Health Director) summarized how space issues are impacting operations, and how through scheduling these issues are being addressed.

General discussion followed regarding the Developmentally Disabled (D/D) Program. The key issue regarding the County not offering these services center on funding. Discussion followed regarding the future vision of this program and the challenges of an efficient operation.

Commissioner Kestner asked Mr. Breswick for his initial reaction/perception to how this transition has progressed.

Mr. Breswick indicated that he would need to 'defer to management', referring to the visit by Director Nikkel. He did commend the Board of Commissioners for the efforts taken to build a solid base for services, especially as it relates to Child Services.

Commissioner Shoun indicated the efforts of HCBH have been integral to the positive direction the program is moving.

All agreed there is much work ahead, and that the direction is positive.

Upon motion by Commissioner Kestner, seconded by Commissioner Shoun and carried unanimously; the Lake County Board of Commissioners hereby formally appoints Randy Hart as Lake County Mental Health Director, and will prepare a letter to the State of Oregon.

There being nothing further to come before the Board, the Lake County Board of Commissioners Regular Session adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Robert R. Pardee
Administrative Assistant

Board Approval,

Bradley J. Winters
Chairman

Ken Kestner
Vice Chairman

Dan Shoun
Commissioner