

**MINUTES - TILLAMOOK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' STAFF MEETING**

**Monday, December 20, 1999**

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**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:**

Sue Cameron, Chairperson  
Tim Josi, Vice Chairperson  
Gina Firman, Commissioner

**STAFF PRESENT:**

Paul Levesque, Management Analyst

**STAFF PRESENT FOR PORTIONS OF MEETING:** Marlene Putman, CCF Director; Vic Affolter, Community Development Director

**GUEST:** Eric Swanson, 911 Director;

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Chair Cameron at 9:10 a.m. in Meeting Room A.

**ITEM NO. 1: PUBLIC INPUT:** There was none.

**ITEM NO. 2: LIAISON REPORTS:** Commissioner Josi reported on his meeting with the Road Department Safety Committee on entrepreneurial opportunities. He also said that the initial report on the Demolay Park feasibility study recommended moving forward with the plan. He suggested a presentation to the Board by the Parks Advisory Committee.

Commissioner Firman reported on the AOC Legislative Committee meeting, where it was decided that instead of 5 priorities, there would be an "A" list and a "B" list, with five priorities on the "A" list. Subcommittees were being asked to develop project priorities in detail. There was a consensus not to have a Staff Meeting on January 30 because of an AOC meeting. Commissioner Firman said telecommunications were presently a major priority.

Commissioner Firman also reported on Senator Wyden's infrastructure conference the previous Wednesday. Telecommunications was also the big topic at that conference. The Board discussed scheduling this for the next quarterly budget meeting. Chair Cameron said she would talk to Mr. Schwinck about putting something together for that meeting

**ITEM NO. 3: EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT UPDATE:** Mr. Swanson reported that the 911 District had completed its Y2K readiness for the enhanced communications system, and there were no issues outstanding. He said everything also had backups. Three dispatchers, a supervisor and himself would be on duty New Year's Eve. He said that on December 29, there would be a public service announcement about not testing 911 by calling at midnight.

Mr. Swanson discussed the success of all emergency agencies during the flooding. There was discussion about the need for additional enforcement on closed roads. He said Mr. Manning was doing a good job.

Mr. Swanson reported on work on the fire radio system and the problem with radio

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infrastructure. The 911 District had contracted with Motorola to study the system. He would report back to the Board on the results.

**ITEM NO. 4: COMMISSION ON CHILDREN & FAMILIES (CCF) UPDATE: Ms.**

Putman updated the Board on the Court-Appointed Special Advocates (CASA). CCF contracted with the Boys & Girls Aid Society (BGAS) to operate the CASA program. Chair Cameron gave a history of the local program. CCF allocated \$10,000 to \$13,000 for a half-time person. The BGAS was slated to end June 30, 2000 and would transition to a local program.

Ms. Putman discussed the issues surrounding the transition. On November 30, CCF decided to continue with BGAS for one more year. It was now a \$48,000 per year program. There were now 50 children being served by 17 trained volunteers. The CCF would continue to address this in January to deal with the supervision issue.

Commissioner Firman felt it should be a local program and break away from BGAS. Chair Cameron agreed as it would be better to deal with the supervision issue. The Board discussed whether the program manager should also be functioning in CASA activities.

There was a discussion regarding space for CASA and CCF. The local ESD office had offered space at no cost. Ms. Putman said the space would work. It would be ready by July 1. Gary Weeks, Oregon Department of Human Services Chair, would be in Tillamook on January 11 to provide an update on the State office building. The Board encouraged Ms. Putman to continue discussions with ESD.

Ms. Putman said Timothy White was now the Department of Justice contact for Juvenile Justice Planning. He would be in the County on January 10.

Ms. Putman discussed how rewarding the interest-based bargaining with the AFSCME Union had been.

Ms. Putman updated the Board on the assistant's position in her office. She would be offering the position the current week. She would be taking three months parental leave beginning in April.

**ITEM NO. 5: PROJECT IMPACT SUMMIT REPORT:** Chair Cameron reported on the Summit. She said Rich Felley and Tom Manning did a good job of staffing. She discussed the meetings with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers on the feasibility study, including Challenge 21 funding and general investigation dollars. The Corps was also looking at "ability to pay" for project matching funds. One criteria being examined was the per capita income. The County would provide input on the criteria through the Portland District office for both "ability to pay" and project selection.

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Chair Cameron also reported on meetings about sponsorship of the feasibility study. The Regional Corps attorneys needed to sign off on this in January. The Board discussed the issues about whether to proceed with the feasibility study and possible workshops. The State agencies would also need to be involved. Mr. Felley would work on this. This would be put on the agenda for a Staff meeting for discussion.

Chair Cameron reported on a meeting with FEMA Director, James Lee Witt, and various corporations to raise money with Project Impact. Mr. Affolter gave an update on elevations and buy outs. By January, they would have elevated 52 homes and 50 more were on a waiting list. Mr. Affolter reported on Tillamook City's grant of \$550,000 for mitigation projects. It would be the City Manager, Mark Gervasi, who would decide how the money was used, and Mr. Affolter would assist with administration. It appeared that the Tillamook Inn was the priority buy out. An appraisal was needed and the Inn would be asked to pay for the appraisal.

The Board also discussed needs for the Head Start and Child Care Center, the Care Center and other potential projects, as well as a possible workshop with the owners of the Care Center. The Board also talked about elevating the helipad at the hospital.

**ITEM NO. 6: MANAGEMENT ANALYST UPDATE:** Mr. Levesque discussed work being done by Oregon State University on an economic analysis of Oregon Department of Forestry's long range plan. It was the consensus of the Board to request a presentation by Dr. Sessions from OSU when the analysis was complete.

Mr. Levesque presented a request by the State Courts to reserve one of the two new meeting rooms every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for the next year. The Board said this would preclude anyone else from using the room and the jury trials were often canceled, leaving the room unused. The Board did agree to the use by the Courts, if they called five days prior to their needing it. That way the room would be available to other groups, as well as the Court.

Mr. Levesque updated the Board on the land exchange with Simpson. He is in the process of getting proposals from two appraisers and would report back to the Board with a recommendation.

**ITEM NO. 7: STAFF UPDATE/AGENDA REVIEW/INTER-OFFICE MATTERS:** The Board reviewed and approved the agenda for December 22. The Board would review its calendar with the Board Assistant.

**ITEM NO. 8: NON-AGENDA ITEMS & BOARD CONCERNS:** Commissioner Josi talked about meeting with Bill Campbell to discuss funding for Public Works for them to develop a business plan. He also discussed work on a warning system and boundaries on Eckloff Road.

Commissioner Josi discussed a meeting with Mr. Klumph, ODFW, regarding gravel removal and

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limited dredging in lower rivers. He also discussed having Mr. Levesque develop a CRMP for gravel removal and explained some of the proposals for inclusion in the plan.

Chair Cameron adjourned the meeting at 10:58 a.m.

**RESPECTFULLY** submitted this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

County Clerk: Josephine Veltri

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Mary Wujcik, Recording Secretary  
& Special Deputy

**APPROVED BY:**

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Chairperson

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Vice Chairperson

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Commissioner

**ADJOURNMENT**