

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS'  
REGULAR MEETING**

December 15, 2009

1:30 p.m.

Harris Hall Main Floor

Commissioner Pete Sorenson presided with Commissioners Bill Dwyer, Bill Fleenor, Rob Handy and Faye Stewart present. County Administrator Jeff Spartz, County Counsel Liane Richardson and Recording Secretary Melissa Zimmer were also present.

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

a. PUBLIC HEARING on Home Rule Charter.

Commissioner Sorenson opened the Public Hearing. There being no one signed up to speak, he closed the Public Hearing.

Richardson reported they have already put the Extension Service levy on the May ballot. She said the Board wanted to consider placement of other charter amendments on the May ballot since they are already paying for the ballot measure. She said to help the citizens see what the Board was considering; they would have to create ballot titles for each section, given the direction from last week. She got the answer back from the state and they would need to comply with a single subject. She asked the Board to come to a resolution as to what measures they wish to move forward to the May ballot and the current proposed ballot titles to see if they wanted to change them. She indicated that she will bring them back tomorrow to put in the voter's pamphlet and for the Explanatory Committee.

Sorenson wanted one charter amendment. He wanted to come back in the fall with other technical amendments.

Dwyer wanted to have an amendment that was out of compliance to be brought into compliance.

Sorenson asked if Richardson could write the title in a way that explains to the reader that it is a minor change. He wanted statutory changed on 24, 29 (e & f). He liked the idea of the Charter Review Committee. He also thought they should bring back a, b and c in April for an update.

MOTION: to direct County Counsel to proceed with amendments for the Lane County Charter for Section 24, 29 and 39.

Fleenor MOVED, Handy SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0.

MOTION: to direct County Counsel to work on Charter Amendments a, b and c.

Fleenor MOVED, Handy SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0.

Richardson said if the Board wants to put those three charter amendments into the State Voter's Pamphlet, she will form an Explanatory Committee and bring it back to the Board in January. She stated there is a cost for each of them.

MOTION: to move that they take advantage of the Voter's Pamphlet.

Dwyer MOVED, Fleenor SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0.

9. **COUNTY COUNSEL**

a. Announcements

None.

b. ORDER 09-12-2-3/In the Matter of Appointing a Committee to Write an Explanatory Statement Related to Placing a 4-H Extension Service Five-Year Local Option Tax on the May 18, 2010 Ballot.

MOTION: to approve ORDER 09-12-2-3 to appoint Janet Calvert, Luke Gambée and Jim Gustina.

Fleenor MOVED, Dwyer SECONDED.

VOTE: 5-0.

c. REPORT BACK/Lane County Board Referral 2010 Timelines.

Richardson reported for the May ballot, they Board needs to file ballot titles by January 5. She added January 5 is also the deadline to get into the voter's pamphlet. She noted for the November election, anything the Board wants to put on the ballot would need titles by July 5. She added that August 27 is the deadline to give the titles to the County Clerk.

Sorenson wanted Richardson to report back on each of the deadlines for a way for the Board to keep track. He thought they should get the language in June to get the minor measures put together.

10. **PUBLIC WORKS**

- a. DISCUSSION/Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Presentation on the 2010-2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP).

Mac Lind, ODOT, gave a power point presentation on the 2010/2013 Statewide Transportation Improvement Program. (Copy in file).

- b. ORDER 09-12-15-16 Providing Direction on a Process to Develop a Proposed Charter for the Formation of an Area Commission on Transportation (ACT) for Lane County.

Celia Barry, Public Works, recalled that the Board hired a consultant, Dr. Rob Zako a couple of months ago. She stated that he has made good progress in helping form an ACT by SB944.

Zako asked the Board to take the next step to form an ACT and to approve the board order as to form. He noted that over the past six weeks there have been meetings with different groups, mayors of cities, Lane Transit, Confederated Tribes, city managers, roads advisory groups, the MPO and the Chair of the MPO. He said he also talked to other ACTS that were charged to develop a charter for an ACT. He indicated that language was proposed for the Charter for review and comment. He said the recommendation is to come back by April 30 with the Charter language.

MOTION: to approve ORDER 09-12-15-16.

Dwyer MOVED, Stewart SECONDED.

Handy thought there were too many people. He thought maybe they could combine the disciplines. He thought it was essential for schools to get involved.

Zako reported that the Roads Advisory Committees want to get involved. He said those are areas not represented by cities and they wanted to have more involvement in the ACT.

VOTE: 5-0.

11. **COUNTY ADMINISTRATION**

- a. Announcements

None.

12. **PERFORMANCE AUDITOR**

- a. Announcements
- b.

Stewart Bolinger, Performance Auditor, reported that he did an audit on safety at Public Works after the fatality and recommended that they needed to improve field communications capabilities. He reported that he will be meeting with a committee to upgrade the contracting system including implementing a cost accounting software in Public Works.

13. **COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stewart reported that he received a request by Linda Hamilton to meet with the Board.

Sorenson asked her to fill out the One Pager so the Board will have a better idea what she wants.

Stewart reported that yesterday there was an AOC Legislative and Board meeting. He announced on January 11 in Salem at their facility there will be a discussion and action taken on supporting Ballot Measures 66 and 67.

Handy reported that people came out to his community meetings. He thanked the people in River Road for their meeting. He announced that tomorrow there will be a Trainsong Neighborhood Social.

Sorenson announced that Sheldon High School and Marist High School won their State Championships.

14. **EXECUTIVE SESSION as per ORS 192.660**

Per ORS 192.660 (2)(h) for the purpose of pending litigation.

15. **OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

There being no further business, Commissioner Sorenson adjourned the meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Melissa Zimmer  
Recording Secretary