

NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

LANE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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Pursuant to notice made by mailing agendas to news media, a selected list of jurisdictions and individuals in Lane County, a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners was held.

Questions should be directed to The Board Office Specialist 3, ext. 4203.

February 27, 1990
9:00 a.m.

RETREAT
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Cedar Room
Emerald Valley Resort
Creswell

Present: Commissioners Steve Cornacchia, Ellie Dumdi, Jack Roberts and Bill Rogers. Jim Johnson, County Administrator; Margo Drivas, Assistant County Administrator; Bill Van Vactor, County Counsel; Margo Helphand, Training and Development Coordinator; Arlene Marshall, Management Services Supervisor; Nancy Cameron, Management Analyst and Judy Haldeman, Recording Secretary. Jerry Rust tardy.

- 1. ORDER 90-2-27-1/In the Matter of Approving Purchase and Renovation of the Oak Court and Bus Barn Buildings at 540 Oak Street, Entering into an Agreement with the Forest Service and General Services Agency, and Delegating Authority to the County Administrator to Execute Contracts

Susan Sowards, Youth Development Coordinator, presented this item to the Board.

MOTION: Approval. Roberts MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED. VOTE: 3-1, Cornacchia dissenting.

Rogers announced that there will be an Executive Session in the Board of Commissioners' Conference Room at 3:30 p.m.

Rust entered the meeting at 9:05 a.m.

- 2. Issues to Consider

Johnson distributed a memorandum reflecting the consensus from the meeting on February 26 for Board review (see material on file). The Board concurred that the memorandum reflected the discussion held on Monday, though Rust and Roberts stated that they did not agree with the policy direction chosen by the majority of the Board.

a. Alcohol-Free Fairgrounds

The majority of the Board agreed that a discussion should take place with the Fair Board if there is any discussion on this issue at all.

b. Joint Social Services

Rogers commented that this Board had made a firm decision on the 2-2-2 representation for the Joint Social Services and that he had not received a response from the Mayor of Eugene. Rust suggested that the Board give the city more time to discuss this and stated that he would talk to Councilor Ehrman.

c. Homeless and Affordable Housing

The Board discussed timelines and process and agreed to wait until after the forum with the business community on March 8 and the election on March 27 before making decisions regarding funding and programs.

d. SAVE Committee

Dumdi stated that the time-off factor of the SAVE program is a burden on some departments and Rogers suggested that paying for SAVE suggestions is agreeable to him. The SAVE Committee will review this and return to the Board at a later date.

e. Fiscal Stability

Rust stated that the O & C receipts will decrease and that the County needs expenditure control and needs to look at new revenues. He stated that stringent action was needed to "figure a glide path rather than a crash plan". Cornacchia estimated that there was \$600,000 remaining in the Reserve for Future Years following recent Board decisions on child care, levy, homeless issues, juvenile, LCPOA and the capital fund. Rust suggested that the County look at early retirement, shorter work hours, etc. in order to down-size with the least impact on employees. He stated that he wanted realistic budget cuts with honest options coming to the Board from departments. Roberts recommended that these suggested cuts not be one-time only.

Reward and Retention of County Employees

Rust stated that the employees were rewarded in a grand fashion with the implementation of the Compensation Plan last year. Johnson suggested a change in the current merit system and Van Vactor suggested that the Board look at insurance for retired employees, as it was a large expense to the County.

Guidelines for Evaluating Three Positions that Report to BCC

Rogers suggested that each Commissioner meet with Johnson, Van Vactor and David Suchart, Performance Auditor, to let them know what is expected of them in the coming year.

Other

Rust suggested that the County look into purchasing unbleached paper for copiers and the Board agreed to explore this option. Johnson will look into the cost and implications of purchasing unbleached or recycled paper.

Cornacchia suggested that there be a message to department directors through Johnson that they share in the responsibility of getting important messages out to employees.

Rogers suggested a mini-retreat for the Board the last week of September.

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.



Judy Haldeman
Recording Secretary