

# MINUTES & NOTICE OF BOARD ACTION

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## 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.

January 5, 1994  
9:00 a.m.

REGULAR MEETING  
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Harris Hall  
Main Floor

Chair Steve Cornacchia presided with Marie Frazier, Jack Roberts and Jerry Rust present. Ellie Dumdi participated via speaker phone. Sharon Giles, Recording Secretary.

### STATE OF THE COUNTY ADDRESS

Cornacchia delivered his State of the County address which focused on the positive performance of county employees in dealing with the budget reductions necessitated by decreasing revenues brought about by the current national policy with regard to Oregon's forests. He highlighted youth issues, legislative advocacy and economic development as particularly successful areas. Cornacchia stressed Lane County's commitment to public safety and noted the serious challenges and difficult decisions facing Lane County government in the near future.

### RECOGNITION BY THE CHAIR

Cornacchia presented "Excellence in Service to Lane County Government" plaques to lay citizens Jim Forbes, Hal Reed and John Lively. He presented employee recognition plaques to Sid Davis, Annette Newingham, Beth McAllister and Cheryl McCawley. Cornacchia recognized the Public Works road crews with a plaque for "Outstanding Award for a Group of Lane County Employees." Lori Sells from Zone 1 Maintenance accepted the award on behalf of the crews. Cornacchia acknowledged Rob Rockstroh as "Employee of the Year" for 1993.

Frazier presented former Commissioner Bill Rogers with a plaque for meritorious public service by an elected official, past or present.

ELECTION OF THE CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

MOTION: To nominate Rust as Chair of the Board for 1994. Frazier MOVED, Roberts SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0. Frazier thanked Cornacchia for his organization, leadership and commitment as Chair for 1993. Rust presented Cornacchia with a rosewood gavel in honor of his service to the County as Chair of the Board for 1993. MOTION: To nominate Frazier as Vice-Chair of the Board. Roberts MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0.

This meeting recessed at 9:50 a.m. for a reception in the Commissioners' Conference Room to reconvene, with Rust presiding, at 11:01 a.m., after the Housing Authority and Community Services Agency meeting.

1. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

3. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

To be held at 11:30 a.m.

4. COMMISSIONERS' BUSINESS

- a. ORDER 94-1-5-1/In the Matter of Awarding the City of Coburg Technical Assistance Funds to Form a Local Improvement District to Finance the Industrial Sewage Project Submitted for Federal Funding Under the NW Economic Adjustment Initiative.

Frazier reviewed this item briefly and noted that Jack Harris, Jim Anderson and Chuck Solin were present from Coburg in support of the Order. MOTION: Approval of the Order. Dumdi MOVED, Roberts SECONDED. VOTE: 5-0. Cornacchia remarked that there may be some problem acquiring the final funding as Coburg is "lumped in" with the metro area in a matrix of impacted communities with regard to NW Economic Adjustment Initiative.

5. EXECUTIVE SESSION as per ORS 192.660

To be held later.

6. COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

- a. Announcements

Bill Van Vactor, County Administrator, reminded the Board of a Leadership Team meeting on January 7 at 9:00 a.m.

- b. ORDER 94-1-5-2/In the Matter of Appointing Members to the Lane County Commission on Children and Families.

Van Vactor reviewed a balloting chart and draft Order with regard to appointments to the Commission on Children and Families. He suggested that the Board discuss this matter today and finalize the decisions on next week's agenda. Van Vactor noted that decisions also need to be made regarding selection of a chair and staggering of terms. Cornacchia observed that the number of members had been increased from 11 to 15 in order to accommodate an optimal cross-section of the community. Roberts stressed the need to check the potential list for the appropriate balance. Dumdi noted that some tentative appointees serve on boards of directors of agencies that receive funds and asked legal counsel for an opinion regarding conflict of interest. Teresa Wilson, Acting County Counsel, responded that if the receiving agency is a non-profit organization and the people are serving in a non-remunerative capacity, then that is not a prohibited action by the Government Standards and Practices Commission. She noted that there would be a conflict with the County's Lane Manual language on advisory committees; however, she stated that any Board action taken would override that policy for this particular commission. In explaining his voting action regarding Roberts' application, Cornacchia stated that he did not think it was appropriate to have a commissioner on the commission, but felt it was more appropriate that they be on the professional body. He indicated his concern was that Lane County could also be a major recipient of funds. Roberts commented that the only person on the tentative list that works in a paid capacity as a social service provider is Caroline Frengle, and that her group would not be competing for funding. He also indicated that he is comfortable without interviewing these applicants because one or more of the commissioners already knows them personally. Roberts did note the absence of a Springfield resident on the tentative list. Frazier questioned balance as related to gender, age, background, geography, etc., and asked if each commissioner was going to consider balance on their own or on common criteria. Cornacchia stated that he believes that Eugene/Springfield are served by common providers and he did not think geography was a big concern. Rust added ethnicity to Frazier's list of balance considerations. He stated that it was important to err on the side of inclusiveness and that a perceived conflict of interest would be tolerable. Rust indicated he was looking for people with passion, skills and vision. He noted that Roberts meets that criteria and he was interested in seeing him on the commission in a working position. Dumdi noted that she could support Roberts as an ex-officio member, but not as a voting member. Cornacchia asked for clarification regarding the technical group's interaction with the commission. Van Vactor responded that the professional council (task force) would be advisory to the commission, would fully participate in commission discussions, but would not have voting ability.

7. PUBLIC WORKS

## a. DISCUSSION/Hearings Official Contract.

Roy Burns, Land Management Manager, reviewed the agenda memorandum (see material on file). He highlighted that Hearings Official responsibilities have increased in activity and complexity over time. Van Vactor recommended experimenting by putting out an RFP to see what type of response it generates. He suggested an advertisement in the local Bar news. Van Vactor noted that the Hearings Official could be a planner and did not necessarily have to be a lawyer. Responding to Cornacchia, Van Vactor stated that the RFP would include a dollar figure "not to exceed" a specific amount. Responding to Frazier, Burns indicated that he would ask Gary Darnielle for his response as to why there has been acceleration in the percentage of appeals of planning director decisions and the frequency with which the record must be kept open. There was consensus to ask Van Vactor to process an RFP for this service.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR

## A. Approval of Minutes: None.

## B. County Administration

1. ORDER 94-1-5-3/In the Matter of Approving the Submission of a \$33,836 Grant to the Institute of Museum Services for General Operating Support for Lane County Historical Museum.
2. ORDER 94-1-5-4/In the Matter of Awarding A Subcontract in the Amount of \$130,240; and Delegating Authority to the County Administrator to Sign Subcontract with Sponsors, Inc., to Provide Transitional Housing, Case Management Services and Weekly Group Sessions to Female Offenders.
3. ORDER 94-1-5-5/In the Matter of Reappointing Two Members to the Lane County Fair Board.

## C. County Counsel

1. ORDER 94-1-5-6/In the Matter of Selecting Newspapers to Publish Ballots, Annual Statement of Contracts, Personal Property Tax Warrants, and Notices of Real Property Tax Foreclosure.

## D. Health and Human Services

1. RESOLUTION AND ORDER 94-1-5-7/In the Matter of Accepting Plan/Amendment Approval Form (PAAF) #24 From the State of Oregon Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Services Division (MHDDSD) in the Amount of \$374,859 in Community Programs for Persons with a Mental Illness; Appropriating an Additional

\$114,357 in Fund 24 in the Department of Health and Human Services and Delegating Authority to the County Administrator to Sign the PAAF and the Subsequent Subcontract Amendment Listed in Exhibit A Attached.

E. Public Works

1. ORDER 94-1-5-8/In the Matter of Awarding a Contract to Truck Trailer Sales of Eugene in the Amount of \$270,130 for the Purchase of Seven (7), Solid Waste Transport Trailers, Contract FY93/94 FS-05.
2. ORDER 94-1-5-9/In the Matter of Releasing, Dedicating, and Accepting Parcel "B" in the Vista Dale Estate Subdivision, Book 34, Page 30, a Parcel of County Owned Real Estate, as a Public Road (15-04-31) (Spruce Street).
3. ORDER 94-1-5-10/In the Matter of Releasing, Dedicating, and Accepting Parcel "B" in the Second Addition to Delrose, Book 55, Page 18, a Parcel of County Owned Real Estate, as a Public Road (17-03-24) (Delrose Avenue).
4. ORDER 94-1-5-11/In the Matter of Releasing and Accepting Parcel "D" in the Third Addition to Yolanda Park, Book 48, Page 4, a Parcel of County Owned Real Estate, as a Public Road (17-03-24) (Richland Street).
5. ORDER 94-1-5-12/In the Matter of Accepting a Deed of Land to be Used as a Public Road Easement and County Road for Heceta Beach Road (18-12-03).
6. ORDER 94-1-5-13/In the Matter of Accepting a Deed of Land to be Used as a Public Road Easement (18-02-23).
7. FINAL ORDER 94-1-5-14/In the Matter of Establishing a Public Road (Summerville Road) as a County Road (18-04-29, 30).
8. ORDER 94-1-5-15/In the Matter of Accepting a Deed of Land as a Reserve Parcel for Heceta Beach Road Near the City of Florence (18-12-03).
9. ORDER 94-1-5-16/In the Matter of Awarding a Contract to Farwest Truck Center in the Amount of \$141,450 with Five (5) Trade-Ins, for the Purchase of Five (5), New Glider Kits, Contract No. FY93/94 FS-04.

MOTION: Approval of the Consent Calendar. Frazier MOVED, Dumdi SECONDED.  
VOTE: 5-0.

9. EMERGENCY BUSINESS

None.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

3. COMMISSIONERS' ANNOUNCEMENTS

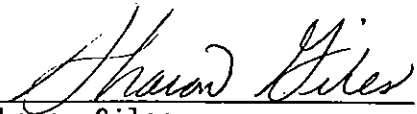
Dumdi reported that she is recuperating well from her surgery. She complimented the State of the County address and the awards given.

Roberts echoed Dumdi's sentiments regarding the State of the County and the awards to employees and those for community involvement.

Frazier concurred. She also reported that the RCIC had met on December 16 and some members expressed concern about some upcoming decisions/processes by the Board related to room tax expenditures. Frazier indicated that they were interested in being involved and that Ken Hobson, Chair of that subcommittee, had sent a list of 11 requests for information. She commented that staff had estimated that it would take three to four hours of staff time to answer these questions, requiring Board approval for that expenditure of time. Van Vactor remarked that the RCIC focus is on video lottery and that this present inquiry is regarding transient room tax. He noted that they may have a narrower perspective and asked the Board whether that is the role they want for RCIC, or does the Board want to form a group to look at transient room tax issues in a broader context. Rust responded that he had served on such a group several years ago and he thought it was appropriate to begin by revisiting that group's findings/policies. He commented that the overall policy developed, and adopted by the Board, was to utilize the dollars for capital projects that would enhance visitor days rather than operations/marketing. Rust suggested that any discussion should be on a county-wide basis. Roberts observed that he understands the RCIC's role as sufficiently broad to allow for advisory opportunity over any issues affecting the rural area. Dumdi agreed and noted that their role is broader than just video lottery. She also concurred with Rust regarding recreating the previous task force. Cornacchia echoed Roberts' comments, agreeing that they could provide input. He questioned whether to revisit/confirm the previous policy or create a new task force to give recommendations, indicating that he was comfortable with the policy presently in place. Rust summarized that there was approval to have staff process the RCIC's questions for the benefit of everyone interested in this issue. Van Vactor indicated that staff would try to find the old task force documentation and distribute it.

Cornacchia thanked Board members for their comments on his speech, noting that he had tried to speak for the Board in his State of the County address, aside from comments pertaining to the federal forest policy.

There being no further business, this meeting adjourned into Executive Session  
at 11:50 p.m.

  
Sharon Giles  
Recording Secretary