

MINUTES  
MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
FEBRUARY 7, 1991 MEETING

Chair Gladys McCoy convened the meeting at 9:32 a.m., with Vice-Chair Rick Bauman, Commissioners Pauline Anderson, Sharron Kelley and Gary Hansen present.

- C-1 In the Matter of the Appointments of Charenndi Van-Si and Portland City Commissioner Gretchen Kafoury, to the Multnomah County Community Action Commission
- C-2 Ratification of an Annual Intergovernmental Agreement Between Multnomah County and the City of Portland to Provide Darkroom Services as Requested
- C-3 Business Certificate Renewals Submitted by Planning with Recommendation for Approval of Business Location as Follows: a) Reuben's Import Auto Wrecking, 9501 N Columbia Blvd, Portland; b) Lucky Brothers Auto Wrecking, 28901 SE Dodge Park Blvd, Gresham; c) RS Davis Recycling, dba Metro Auto Wrecking, 28425 SE Orient Dr, Gresham
- C-4 ORDER in the Matter of Declaring Various Tax Foreclosed Properties Abandoned or Subject to Waste and Ordering the Tax Collector to Issue a Deed
- C-5 ORDER in the Matter of Designation of Newspapers of General Circulation in the County for Ballot Facsimile Publication

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, the consent calendar (C-1 through C-5, ORDERS 91-9 and 91-10) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

- R-1 ORDER in the Matter of the Reconveyance of Property to the Library Association of Portland of Land Previously Erroneously Conveyed by the Association to Multnomah County, Oregon (Midland Branch Library)

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, R-1 (ORDER 91-11) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

- R-2 ORDER in the Matter of the Reconveyance of Property to the Library Association of Portland of Land Previously Erroneously Conveyed by the Association to Multnomah County, Oregon (Rockwood Branch Library)

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Hansen, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, R-2 (ORDER 91-12) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

- R-3 In the Matter of a Request for Authorization to Purchase 1,600 Square Feet at the Northeast Corner of NE 181st Avenue and Halsey Street for the Sum of \$2,470 from the County Road Fund for Road Purposes

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Hansen, R-3 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

R-4 Ratification of an Intergovernmental Agreement Between Portland Community College and Multnomah County wherein the Transportation Division will Provide On-Site Professional Drafter/CAD Operator Skills Training for a Portland Community College Student

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Hansen, R-4 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

R-5 Budget Modification DA #2 Authorizing Expenditure of \$4,321 from the Regional Organized Crime and Narcotics Task Force Trust Fund Account as the Matching Contribution to a One-Time Only Grant to Purchase Enhanced Surveillance Equipment

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Kelley, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, R-5 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

R-6 RESOLUTION in the Matter of the Adoption of Rules of Procedure for the Conduct of Board Meetings and Repealing Prior Rules

Commissioner Bauman moved, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, for approval of R-6.

Merlin Reynolds, Staff Assistant for Chair McCoy, explained the proposed resolution contains the changes identified in Tuesday's briefing. Mr. Reynolds reported that Deb Rogers, Carrie Parkerson and Delma Ferrell helped with the drafting of the resolution.

Chair McCoy recognized and thanked Mr. Reynolds for his time and effort working on the resolution.

R-6 (RESOLUTION 91-13) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

R-7 In the Matter of Commissioner Committee Assignments for 1991

Chair McCoy advised that R-7 is for the approval of a resolution.

Commissioner Bauman moved and Commissioner Kelley seconded, for approval of R-7.

In response to a question of Commissioner Kelley, Chair McCoy advised that committee assignments could be reviewed and changed every year if the Board wishes.

In response to a question of clarification from Vice-Chair Bauman, Chair McCoy advised it would not be mandated that committee assignments be changed every year so the Board could have the opportunity to keep or change assignments as it wishes.

County Counsel Laurence Kressel ascertained that the Board motion is for adoption of a RESOLUTION IN THE MATTER OF ASSIGNING COMMISSIONERS PORTFOLIOS IN VARIOUS PROGRAM AREAS. Mr. Kressel advised that the attached assignments are made by the Chair pursuant to the resolution.

R-7 (RESOLUTION 91-14) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

R-8 Second Reading and Possible Adoption of an ORDINANCE Amending MCC 2.30.640(G), Relating to Membership and Operation of the Citizen Budget Advisory Committees and Establishing a Central Citizen Budget Advisory Committee

The Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Copies of the complete document were available for those wishing them. A hearing was held, no one from the public wished to testify.

Commissioner Bauman moved, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, for adoption of R-8.

Commissioner Kelley reported a compromise was worked out and the parties agreed to adopt this new process through a change in administrative rules. Commissioner Kelley explained that everything will remain the way it is now except at the end of this fiscal year, the Citizen Involvement Committee will be responsible for making appointment recommendations for 12 of the 16 Citizen Advisory Board members. Commissioner Kelley advised it was recommended that no changes be made to the Library Board at this as it has just been appointed and needs time to get up to speed, but that the Citizen Involvement Committee will offer support in terms of training and other things citizens generally need to understand their new responsibilities. Commissioner Kelley advised she feel there will be a very good integration between the Citizen Involvement Committee and the other advisory boards over the next year.

In response to a question of Commissioner Anderson, Commissioner Kelley advised that the Citizen Involvement Committee would be making recommendations for nominations to the Citizen Advisory Board via the Chair's Office for the Boards' consideration and ultimate decision. Commissioner Kelley explained the Citizen Involvement Committee will be involved in recruitment to enhance the opportunity for more citizens to become involved.

Commissioner Anderson pointed out that the committees are all comprised of citizens and expressed concern that the appointees be not just citizens off the street but people with a genuine concern and interest in human services, aside from the fact that they are geographically right.

Commissioner Kelley explained that the Board will have the opportunity to review the resumes of those people who are willing to serve and will be able to weigh its concerns at that level. Commissioner Kelley stated the other issue is that citizens who have not had the opportunity to work with this County, particularly in regards to library, environmental, policing and/or human services, will be given that opportunity through an educational process and will ultimately become advocates of those services as they learn more about them, which is a part of becoming active in government.

Commissioner Anderson agreed, stating she is always pleased for that support. Commissioner Anderson expressed concern that



the term advisory board presumes a certain amount of knowledge and ability to understand and advocate for a particular department, stating she supposes the Citizen Involvement Committee will have to be trusted to nominate the same kind of quality citizens the County has now.

Commissioner Kelley stated that it will be healthy for us to have citizens off the street appointed to give us the opportunity to see a fresh look which is the whole idea behind involving citizens in government services. Commissioner Kelley advised that she believes this approach will enhance all the advice we get from the Central Citizen Budget Advisory Board.

Commissioner Anderson explained that the current Citizen Advisory Board has given sterling service and she does not want to see that go when it is badly needed, that the current Citizen Advisory Board has been advocates, supporters and advisors and that if it were floundering or not doing a good job, it would be time for a change. Commissioner Anderson advised that in this particular case she is reluctant but will vote for it because it seems to be something that everyone has agreed with.

ORDINANCE 674 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

Chair McCoy acknowledged Steve Fulmer in the audience and invited him to speak if he wished. He did not.

R-9 First Reading of an ORDINANCE Amending Multnomah County Code Chapter 7.70.300 to Allow the Transfer of Unclaimed Property to Other Governmental Agencies in Addition to the County

The Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Copies of the complete document were available for those wishing them. A hearing was held, no one from the public wished to testify.

Commissioner Bauman moved, and Commissioner Anderson seconded, for approval of the first reading of the proposed ordinance.

Vice-Chair Bauman explained that this ordinance will allow the Sheriff, under conditions described in the ordinance, to make firearms available to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife for gun safety training; that the weapons will not be operable when they are transferred over and that they will only be weapons which would have some application in hunter safety type programs.

In response to a concern expressed by Commissioner Anderson and at her suggestion, Mr. Kressel advised that conditions requiring that the weapons are disabled prior to transport could be written into the intergovernmental agreement between the County and the Department of Fish and Wildlife and that he will convey that message to the Sheriff's Office and his Deputy County Counsel.

Chair McCoy explained the ordinance provides that each property has to come back before the Board before it is transferred, and that she would assume that this has to do with any other unclaimed property, not just firearms, as this ordinance

speaks specifically to firearms and also speaks to any unclaimed property.

In response to Commissioner Hansen asking if this ordinance would allow the County to transfer to non-profits, Chair McCoy advised that this particular ordinance speaks to just government agencies.

The first reading of R-9 was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED. Chair McCoy advised the second reading is scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 1991.

R-10 First Reading of an ORDINANCE Transferring the Budget Office from the Department of General Services to the Office of the Chair and Assigning the Affirmative Action Office to the Office of the Chair

The Clerk read the proposed ordinance by title only. Copies of the complete document were available for those wishing them. A hearing was held, no one from the public wished to testify.

Commissioner Kelley moved, and Commissioner Hansen seconded, for approval of the first reading of the proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Anderson explained she has concerns and does not know how to answer them aside from placing the budget office in a similar situation to the County Counsel, because the budget office is advisory not just to the Chair but to the Board. Commissioner Anderson asked Chair McCoy if the executive budget comes out in ways which the Board would want to question, would the budget office staff be obligated to defend or in any other way uphold it because they are under the Chair's office.

In response to a question of Chair McCoy asking if Commissioner Anderson has had a problem with having County Counsel directly under the Chair's office, Commissioner Anderson indicated she was unaware of that and stated she has a problem with having County Counsel directly under the Chair because that office is advisory to the Board.

In response to Chair McCoy asking if Commissioner Anderson has had a problem, Commissioner Anderson explained that she has not had a problem, that she is not talking about the Chair or Dave Warren or Larry Kressel, she is talking about a structure. Commissioner Anderson stated that she has no problems with the present personalities but that they are not always going to be there.

Chair McCoy explained that County Counsel has been directly under her office for the last two years and she does not believe there has been any difficulty with that. Chair McCoy advised that she does not believe the Board will have any difficulty in getting requested information from the budget office.

Commissioner Anderson stated she does not think she will have any difficulty if Chair McCoy and Dave Warren remain in office as long as the proposed ordinance is in effect.

The first reading of R-10 was APPROVED with Commissioner Anderson voting no. Chair McCoy advised the second reading is scheduled for Thursday, February 14, 1991.

(Recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Governing Body of Dunthorpe Riverdale Service District No. 1)

R-11 ORDER in the Matter of Modification of the Maintenance and Engineering Service Agreement with the City of Portland

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Bauman, seconded by Commissioner Kelley, R-11 (ORDER 91-15) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

(Recess as the Governing Body of Dunthorpe Riverdale Service District No. 1 and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners)

(Recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Public Contract Review Board)

R-12 ORDER in the Matter of an Emergency Exemption to Contract with Trane of Oregon to Repair a Compressor in the Justice Service Building

Commissioner Bauman moved and Commissioner Kelley seconded, for approval of R-12.

Franna Ritz of Purchasing explained the administrative rules regarding processing of an emergency exemption under \$25,000, explaining this was an emergency purchase of just over \$11,000.

In response to a question of Chair McCoy asking if they would have had to get the Board together in an emergency meeting to approve the purchase, Ms. Ritz advised they could have polled the Board over the phone and gotten a quorum approval for the purchase. In response to a question of Chair McCoy asking if they have had to do that, Ms. Ritz explained that administrative rules were modified to conform with recent legislative changes regarding the \$25,000 limitation and that there has not yet been an emergency over that amount. Ms. Ritz explained that prior to the change, if the amount was over \$25,000, they could obtain an after the fact approval by the Board but that now they need to obtain Board approval prior to a purchase over \$25,000.

In response to a question of Commissioner Anderson asking whether the compressor is part of the HVAC system, Walter Heil, Facilities Management for the Justice Center, advised that it is and explained what the two compressors at the Justice Center do. Mr. Heil advised that one unit failed and needed to be brought back on line as soon as possible, which ended up taking 14 hours a day for six days.

R-12 (ORDER 91-16) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

(Recess as the Public Contract Review Board and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners)

(Recess as the Board of County Commissioners and convene as the Governing Body of West Hills Service District No. 2)

R-13 ORDER in the Matter of Modification of the Maintenance and Engineering Service Agreement with the City of Portland

UPON MOTION of Commissioner Bauman, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, R-13 (ORDER 91-17) was UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

(Recess as the Governing Body of West Hills Service District No. 2 and reconvene as the Board of County Commissioners)

Michael Zokoych of 1111 SE Sandy Boulevard, Portland, owner of Michael's Italian Beef and Sausage Company, submitted copies of a newspaper article written two years ago when he last came before the Board. Mr. Zokoych expressed his displeasure and frustration over certain County employees and the fairness of restaurant license fee increases and penalties. At the direction of the Board, Mr. Zokoych was invited to discuss the issues with Duane Zussy, Director of the Department of Human Services.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

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for MULTNOMAH COUNTY, OREGON

By DEBORAH ROCKERS

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