

**Minutes of the Board of Commissioners  
Multnomah Building, Board Room 100  
501 SE Hawthorne Blvd., Portland, Oregon  
Thursday, February 13, 2014**

**REGULAR MEETING**

Acting Chair Marissa Madrigal called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m. with Commissioners Judy Shiprack, Liesl Wendt, Loretta Smith and Vice-Chair Diane McKeel present.

Also attending were Jenny M. Madkour, County Attorney, and Lynda Grow, Board Clerk.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**C.1 ORDER No. 2014-017 Authorizing Designees of the Mental Health Program Director to Direct a Peace Officer to take an Allegedly Mentally Ill Person into Custody.**

Upon motion made by Commissioner McKeel and seconded by Commissioner Smith the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Opportunity for Public Comment on non-agenda matters. Testimony limited to three minutes per person unless otherwise designated by the presiding officer. This is a time for the Board to hear public testimony, not for Board deliberation.

Testimony was given and received for the record.

**REGULAR AGENDA**

**R.1 Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the City of Gresham to Transition Arterial Street Maintenance Services to the City of Gresham. Presenter: John Niiyama, Road Maintenance Program Manager.**

Vice-Chair McKeel moved and Commissioner Smith seconded approval of R.1.

Mr. Niiyama stated that they are requesting approval to modify an IGA with Gresham effective July 1, 2014, amending the 2005 Road Transfer IGA. It would terminate maintenance work previously done on arterial streets by the County. This is in concert with the terms of the 2005 IGA that transferred jurisdiction of roads inside Gresham from the County on January 1, 2006 but authorized the County to continue providing maintenance.

The 2005 IGA included a revenue sharing provision of County Road Funds and the eventual transfer of county maintenance personnel when the maintenance agreement was terminated. This new IGA will transfer nine (9) maintenance positions to the City. The County currently has five (5) vacant maintenance positions which will be transferred. The remaining four (4) positions will result in the transfer of four (4) existing County employees to Gresham consistent with laws and procedures applicable to such a transfer.

The Road Services Program Offer (91013) includes the current obligation of maintenance services to the City. Termination of this maintenance activity will allow the County Road Maintenance to increase their focus in the delivery of maintenance activities on County roads.

The termination of the maintenance work obligations imposed under the 2005 IGA will translate into the County reducing nine maintenance positions, reducing the material and supply budget and a reduction in road maintenance fleet equipment which supported the City. These budgetary changes correspond to the services we would invoice the City and results in a revenue neutral position for the County.

The City and County have been meeting regularly to ensure a successful transition of employees and arterial street maintenance services to the City. Gresham City Council, at their December 17, 2013 council meeting, approved this Intergovernmental Agreement. DCS has been communicating these proposed changes with County road maintenance employees and has been working with County Labor Relations. On December 20, 2013 Local 88 was notified of the planned ending of the County's maintenance services to the City. He responded to the Board's questions.

The IGA was unanimously approved.

*The Board recessed as the Multnomah County Board of Commissioners and convened as the MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT.*

**R.2 PROCLAMATION Honoring the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Multnomah County Library System. Sponsors: Acting Chair Madrigal and Vice-Chair McKeel. Presenter: Vailey Oehlke, Library Director.**

Vice-Chair McKeel moved and Commissioner Smith seconded approval of R.2.

Vice-Chair McKeel made opening remarks about the work being done by the Library District and how it is serving the community.

Ms. Oehlke made opening remarks and introductions and acknowledged the staff of her department.

She said to put it in perspective for the times, when citizens formed the library on Feb. 15, 1864, Abraham Lincoln was President. Subscribers included leaders in the community – all men – including Skyler, Ladd, Couch, Pittock, Burnside, and many others. March 26, 1864, they drew up bylaws and regulations and policies for checking things out of the library. At that time, there were only unpaved streets and no railroads. Those who could afford \$100 lifetime membership fee were the most privileged. The Library purchased its first order of books 500 texts from "the East" which were substantially delayed during their passage around Cape Horn. She added that the first tax supported public library in Oregon driven by John Wilson in 1902 and his donation of his personal collection to the library. Andrew Carnegie provided an infusion of capital which allowed the library system to grow; several buildings in the system are Carnegie buildings. She said this Proclamation honors the library system for its rich history as well as its present day impact on the community.

She said since then there have been many changes, but in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, the library is still thriving. She said they have grown that collection from 500 to 2 million including streaming music, videos, audio books, and more data bases than one can imagine. She said services have changed and expanded to help people find long lost ones, read children's stories in Vietnamese; create resumes and fill out job applications. She added that it is far more than checking out books and Multnomah's Library District is the second busiest system and has the highest activity in the nation! She said what lies ahead for the Library is even more exciting. She outlined the events and projects that will be held all year long in the community to celebrate the Library's 150 years. She responded to the Board's questions.

Vice-Chair McKeel read the Proclamation.

Proclamation 2014-018 was unanimously adopted.

**R.3 Everybody Reads Presentation. Sponsor: Vice-Chair McKeel, District 4. Presenter: Vailey Oehlke, Library Director and Terrilyn Chun, Programming and Community Outreach Manager**

Acting Chair Marissa Madrigal welcomed everyone for attending.

Vice-Chair McKeel made opening remarks.

Ms. Vailey made introductions and gave an overview of the profound impact the Every Reads program has had in the community since 2003. She introduced Ms. Lynn who has worked at the Library for 24 years.

Ms. Lynn said this program engages the students to learn to read and let them know they are part of a bigger event and participate in a conversation with the authors. It gives them academic opportunity and shows students the privileges and limitations associated with citizenship. She read remarks from different teachers that have their students participating in this program. She said The Everybody Reads 2014 selection is My Beloved World, by United States Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor. This year's selection is available at all neighborhood libraries and additional e-books are available through Overdrive. Sotomayor will speak on Tuesday, March 11, at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall, and discussion groups and cultural programming will occur throughout the month of February. The presenters responded to Board questions and comments.

Acting Chair Marissa Madrigal and the Commissioners thanked them for their presentation.

*The Board adjourned as the Multnomah County Library District and reconvened as the MULTNOMAH COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.*

### **BOARD COMMENT**

BC.1 Opportunity as time allows, for the Commissioners to provide comment on non-agenda items.

Comments pertaining to non-agenda items were made by the Board and noted in the record.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

**The minutes reflect the actions of the Board. For more details, you are welcome to view the agenda and presentation materials and/or video at:** [http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view\\_id=3](http://multnomah.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=3)

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