

LANE COUNTY BUDGET COMMITTEE MINUTES

Thursday, May 7th, 2015

2:00 p.m.

BCC Conference Room

Budget Committee members present: Sid Leiken, Jay Bozievich, Herb Vloedman, Pete Sorenson, Laurie Trieger, Faye Stewart, Chair Denis Hijmans, Pat Farr, and Dale Stoneburg. Vice Chair Shanna Reichenberger was absent.

In addition, County Administrator, Steve Mokrohisky; Budget and Financial Planning Manager, Christine Moody; Public Works Director, Marsha Miller and Public Works Budget Manager, Tanya Heaton; Capital Projects Manager, Brian Craner; Chief Information Officer, Michael Finch; and County Counsel, Steve Dingle were present.

I. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Chair Denis Hijmans called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

II. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

A. Handouts were provided to the Committee

Minutes and responses to questions from the May 5, 2015, meeting and security badges were passed out to the Committee.

B. Approve Lane County Budget Committee minutes: May 5, 2015

Laurie Trieger made a motion to approve the minutes from May 5, 2015. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Stewart and passed unanimously (9-0).

C. Committee Process

No Committee Business was presented.

III. PUBLIC WORKS

Marsha Miller presented on behalf of Public Works. (Presentation is available online) Chair Denis Hijmans asked if any Committee members had any questions.

Discussion was held by Commissioners Farr, Bozievich and Leiken, Herb Vloedman, Laurie Trieger, Mike Russell, Orin Schumacker and Bill Morgan about Parks, Bike Lanes, Roads, Planning, Animal Services and Waste Management. Additionally, discussion was held regarding accepting credit/debit cards in County parks and the future of a Regional Permit Office.

IV. CAPITAL PROJECTS

Brian Craner presented on behalf of Capital Projects. (Presentation is available online) Chair Denis Hijmans asked if any Committee members had any questions.

Commissioners Stewart, Leiken, Farr, Sorenson and Bozievich, Chair Hijmans, Dale Stoneburg and Administrator Mokrohisky held discussions on Capital Projects. Discussed were Forest Work Camp and the Oregon Department of Forestry partnership, Market District, Public Service Building improvements, the Relief Nursery building, Health Clinics, the Farmer's Market and underutilized properties.

Discussion was held by Commissioners Bozievich and Stewart, Craner and Administrator Mokrohisky regarding the State Courthouse.

Chair Denis Hijmans asked to refocus the discussions on the Proposed Budget.

Chair Hijmans asked for clarification of information presented regarding borrowing funds and discussion was held by Brian Craner and Administrator Mokrohisky regarding this and Reserves. Dale Stoneburg asked a follow up question regarding Reserve levels.

V. INFORMATION SERVICES

Michael Finch presented on behalf of Information Services. (Presentation is available online) Chair Denis Hijmans asked if any Committee members had any questions.

Discussion was held by Herb Vloedman and Finch regarding technology, security and employee training.

Chair Hijmans announced there will be a break. Recess at 4:02 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 4:09 p.m.

VI. COUNTY COUNSEL

Steve Dingle presented on behalf of Information Services. (Presentation is available online) Chair Denis Hijmans asked if any Committee members had any questions.

Commissioners Stewart, Farr and Sorenson expressed appreciation for the work done by the County Counsel department. Commissioner Bozievich and Dingle discussed the reduction in Unemployment Claim payouts.

Prior to Adjournment:

Copies of the next meeting's Agenda (May 12, 2015, 2:00 p.m. in the BCC conference room) and copies of the Strategic Plan were provided to the Committee.

Administrator Mokrohisky discussed the Countywide Strategic Plan, Department Strategic Plans, and the organization of presentations for the Budget Committee.

VII. ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned by Chair Hijmans at 4:35 p.m.