

MID-COLUMBIA COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, February 26, 2013 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Board Room, 1113 Kelly Avenue, The Dalles, Oregon

ORIGINAL

2013 Board of Directors:
Gilliam County: *Mike Weimer, Steve Shaffer
Hood River County: *Maui Meyer, Les Perkins.
Sherman County: *Michael Smith, Cliff Jett, Tom McCoy
Wasco County: *Rod Runyon, Steve Kramer, Carolyn Wood
Wheeler County: *Chris Perry, Jack Lorts, Anne Mitchell
(*denotes Executive Committee Members)

I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Roll Call

Michael Smith called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

Present: Maui Meyer, Les Perkins, Mike Weimer, Cliff Jeff, Tom McCoy, Rod Runyon, Steve Kramer, Jack Lorts and Chris Perry.

Absent: Steve Shaffer, Carolyn Wood and Anne Mitchell.

Staff: John Arens, Executive Director; Sarah Braumbaugh, Fiscal Director; Bill Fashing Community Development Director; Marvin Pohl, AAA Director; and Tine Meriwether, Executive Assistant.

Guests: Louise Sargent, Senior Advisory Committee Chair

B. In memory of Steve Burnet, MCCOG Board Member

Steve Burnet was remembered for his years of service to MCCOG and Region 9. He will be greatly missed.

C. Approval of November 27, 2012 Minutes

Cliff Jett moved, seconded by Maui Meyer, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

II. OPEN AGENDA

There were no new items added to the agenda.

III. ACTION ITEMS

A. Election of 2013 Board Officers

[Rod Runyon moved, seconded by Maui Meyer, to nominate Mike Smith as Board Chair. The motion carried. Smith abstained from voting.]

Jack Lorts moved, seconded by Rod Runyon, to nominate Mike Weimar as Vice Chair. The motion carried unanimously.

Chris Perry moved, seconded by Jack Lorts, to nominate Rod Runyon as Secretary/Treasurer. The motion carried. Runyon abstained from voting.

B. Election of Executive Committee

Lorts moved, seconded by Les Perkins, to nominate Chris Perry to serve on the Executive Committee as the Wheeler County representative and Maui Meyer to serve on the Executive Committee from Hood River County. The motion carried. Perry abstained from voting.

C. Resolution No. 12-12 Interfund Loan from Building Codes to Area Agency on Aging.

Sarah Brumbaugh addressed the Board regarding the loan. The original resolution called for a transfer of funds, but it has been changed to a loan instead. The intent of the loan is to provide administration dollars to the AAA program that the state does not provide. The allocation of the state's funding was discussed and the difficulty of having so few dollars to implement the program.

[Smith questioned how the funds would be paid back. Brumbaugh stated the loan would be paid back by the General Fund from fee-for-service or local dues which are considered unencumbered money that can be used to cover loans, but not all at once. This loan would likely be over a 5 year period. Fee-for-service revenue "helps fill the gaps, and that is how we would pay it back."]

Runyon expressed his concern for not having a payback period or end date written into the resolution. He noted that the title of the resolution and reference to "transfer" were still shown on the resolution and asked for that to be amended.

Runyon moved, seconded by Perry, to amend the resolution as discussed to include a payback clause stating the loan must be paid back by July 2018. In addition, that the payments would be interest free. The motion passed unanimously.

The loan amount was further discussed and that it should be emphasized the dollars are for the overall good of the AAA program. Meyer expressed his concern that it would be construed that this money might increase dollars to meal sites and that is not the intent of this loan. The commitment is to make the AAA a stronger program to serve the needs of our senior population.

Following discussion, Runyon moved, seconded by Perkins, to approve Resolution No. 12-12 as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

D. Resolution No. 12-13 Revised Building Code Fee Schedule.

Bob Futter, Building Codes Official, addressed the Board regarding the fee adjustments as outlined in Exhibit A of the resolution.

Perkins moved, seconded by Jett, to pass Resolution No. 12-13 as presented.

Perry expressed his dismay at the Agriculture Exemption fee and that he did not support a fee for this.

The exemption was further discussed. Futter discussed the \$50 fee for ag exemptions and the need to cover Building Codes' staff time involved with managing an approved exemption.

Following discussion, the question was called and the motion to pass Resolution No. 12-13 carried. Rod Runyon and Chris Perry voted nay.

IV. REPORTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. DHS/SUA AAA Functions Review.

Arens stated staff had reviewed the report before the Executive Committee. He handed out the Review document that included staff's response in bold type.

Marvin Pohl, AAA Director, reviewed staff's comments. He discussed the various recommendations and how the AAA will be moving forward to make corrections and mend relationships with area partners and contractors.

The structure of the Senior Advisory Council (SAC) was discussed and that it was an advisory committee. Jett questioned if the SAC would be advised of the \$50K loan from the Building Codes fund (Resolution No. 12-12). It was noted by Brumbaugh that the SAC will know of it through the budget process and see it as a separate line item. Meyer expressed his concern that this loan will continue to provide a point of conflict with the meals providers.

Staff will prepare a Press Release announcing the \$50K loan to assist with the administrative function of the AAA program for one year. The PR will help clarify the funds are [paid back] from the MCCOG General Fund and [not] from AAA program funds.

B. Budget Committee member to represent Hood River County.

Perkins has been talking with several Hood River community members regarding the vacant position and hopes to have someone to recommend to the position.

It was noted there is also a vacancy on the Board. There has been a vacancy in the city official position for some time.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION, ORS 192.660 (2) (I)

A. Executive Director's Performance Evaluation.

The Board went into Executive Session to discuss the Director's Performance Evaluation.

Following discussion, the Board came out of Executive Session and adjourned the meeting.

VI. ADJOURN

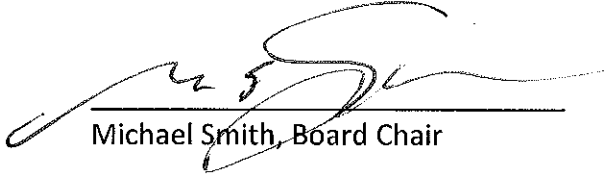
There being no further business to come before the MCCOG Board of Directors, the meeting was adjourned at 2:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

ATTEST:



Tine Meriwether, Executive Assistant



Michael Smith, Board Chair