

**MINUTES OF September 10, 2020**

**MID-WILLAMETTE VALLEY HOMELESS ALLIANCE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
AND  
ORS 190 ENTITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
JOINT MEETING**

**Zoom Meeting/Conference Call**

***MWVHA BOARD***

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**VICE CHAIR:** Council President Chris Hoy, City of Salem  
Kristin Retherford for Mayor Chuck Bennett, City of Salem  
Josh Lair, Navigator, Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)  
Councilor Christopher Lopez, City of Monmouth  
Councilor Shannon Corr, City of Independence  
Commissioner Mike Ainsworth for Commissioner Lyle Mordhorst, Polk County  
Commissioner Colm Willis, Marion County  
Dan Clem, Executive Director, Union Gospel Mission of Salem  
Nicole Utz, Housing Administrator, Salem Housing Authority  
Ian Dixon-McDonald, Co-Chair, MWVHA Collaborative Committee

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**CHAIR:** Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer  
Leilani Slama, Vice President, Community Engagement, Salem Health  
Rhonda Wolf, CEO, United Way of the Mid-Willamette Valley  
Christy Perry, Superintendent, Salem-Keizer School District (SKSD)  
Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde  
Eric Enderle, Veteran Services Officer, Polk County Veteran Services  
Christian Ebelblute, Executive Director, West Valley Housing Authority  
Candace Jamison, Executive Director, Marion County Housing Authority  
Jimmy Jones, Executive Director, Mid-Willamette Valley Community Action Agency (MWVCAA)  
Kim Parker-Llerenas, Co-Chair, MWVHA Collaborative Committee

***ORS 190 ENTITY BOARD***

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

**VICE-PRESIDENT:** Council President Chris Hoy, City of Salem  
Councilor Christopher Lopez, City of Monmouth  
Councilor Shannon Corr, City of Independence  
Commissioner Colm Willis, Marion County  
Commissioner Mike Ainsworth for Commissioner Lyle Mordhorst, Polk County

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

**PRESIDENT:** Mayor Cathy Clark, City of Keizer  
Christy Perry, Superintendent, Salem-Keizer School District (SKSD)  
Tribal Councilwoman Lisa Leno, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Jan Calvin, MWVHA Consultant  
Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant  
Carla Munns, MWVHA Consultant  
Renata Wakeley, Acting Executive Director, MWVCOG  
Denise VanDyke Admin. Specialist II, MWVCOG  
Michael Livingston, CANDO  
Julie Conn-Johnson, Salem-Keizer School District

**CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS**

Councilor Hoy called the ORS 190 Entity Board of Directors meeting to order at 3:03 p.m. Roll call was taken and the presence of a quorum was noted. The MWVHA Board of Directors meeting was called to order at 3:25 p.m after achieving a quorum.

Ms. Carlson announced that Mayor Clark, Rhonda Wolf, and Leilani Slama were no longer able to participate in the meeting due to wildfire evacuation efforts.

**ORS 190 ENTITY PUBLIC CONTRACTING RULES**

Ms. Carlson explained that the proposed Public Contracting Rules included in the agenda packet were based on the rules developed by the Mid-Willamette Valley Council of Governments (MWVCOG). Ms. Carlson aligned these rules with the ORS 190 Entity, substituting “Board Administrator” for “Executive Director” and making other slight adjustments. Staff recommends approval.

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Willis, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Ainsworth, to **ADOPT THE ORS 190 ENTITY PROCUREMENT RULES, AS PRESENTED.**

Motion carried.

**IN FAVOR:** Hoy, Willis, Ainsworth, Lopez, Corr. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

**ORS 190 ENTITY CONTRACT FOR LEGAL SERVICES**

Ms. Carlson reminded the board that Mr. Peter Stoloff was introduced at the August board meeting. The form of the contract included in the agenda packet was based on the MWVCOG legal counsel contract. Mr. Stoloff requested a waiver of general liability insurance, and staff recommended that the contract not require it. The contract expires on June 30, 2021, with opportunities for extensions.

**MOTION:** By Commissioner Willis, **SECONDED** by Councilor Lopez, to **APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR TO SIGN THE LEGAL SERVICES CONTRACT, AS PRESENTED.**

Motion carried.

**IN FAVOR:** Hoy, Willis, Ainsworth, Lopez, Corr. **OPPOSED:** None. **ABSTAINED:** None.

**ORS 190 ENTITY ORGANIZATIONAL ISSUES**

Ms. Carlson reported that she is still waiting for more information from Dawn Bosworth of Huggins Insurance. She is looking into whether the ORS 190 Entity needs general liability insurance.

**JURISDICTION/ORGANIZATION UPDATES**

Ms. Carlson reported that Nora Lally, HUD technical assistance advisor, contacted her and Jan Calvin, asking if there were needs related to the wildfires that she might look into with HUD. Anyone with ideas, please contact Ms. Carlson. Mr. Dixon-McDonald said he would share this information with the Collaborative Committee.

Commissioner Willis announced that Marion County has moved the homeless individuals who were housed in Woodburn hotel rooms to Yamhill County and placed wildfire evacuees in 81 rooms. The Red Cross is also helping with short term housing. It is not clear where funding will come from for hotel rooms. It's complicated with potential funding coming from FEMA, private insurance, and other sources.

Commissioner Ainsworth reported that the Red Cross is also helping in Polk County. The Polk County Fairgrounds is full, with people and animals, including some from as far away as Otis. They have food ready for about one week and are taking things day by day.

Councilor Corr mentioned that not much information is getting out about Polk County. She expressed concerns about the homeless and the current hazardous air quality. Ms. Calvin suggested contacting the winter warming groups to see if they can activate locations due to the air quality. Commissioner Ainsworth also suggested two Polk County employees who may be able to help. A good information source, [wildfire.oregon.gov](http://wildfire.oregon.gov), was suggested. It is a statewide resource for information on wildfires and resources.

Ms. Retherford will forward an email from the Governor's Office regarding price gouging.

Ms. Calvin pointed out that the next possible issue is clean water. Councilor Hoy reported that the Geren Island Water Treatment Plant is safe and the water is good. That location was under threat by some of the current fires, but is fine.

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

**MOTION:** By Mr. Clem, **SECONDED** by Commissioner Ainsworth, to **APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, AS PRESENTED.**

- **AGENDA APPROVAL**
- **AUGUST 13, 2020 MINUTES FOR THE JOINT MEETING OF THE ORS 190 ENTITY AND ALLIANCE BOARDS**
- **FINANCIAL REPORT**
- **PIT COUNT WORKGROUP APPOINTMENTS**
- **MWVHA POLICY RELATED TO LETTERS OF SUPPORT**
- **STAFF REPORTS**

Motion carried.

**IN FAVOR:** Hoy, Lair, Clem, Lopez, Willis, Ainsworth, Corr, Retherford. **OPPOSED:** None.

**ABSTAINED:** None.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

In the interest of time, allowing attention to return to wildfire and evacuation efforts, all other agenda items, including the Fair Housing presentation, were postponed until the October board meeting.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Hearing no further business, Councilor Hoy adjourned both meetings at 3:27 p.m.

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Janet Carlson, MWVHA Consultant