

WORK SESSION MINUTES

July 18, 2017 1:00 p.m.

Commissioners’ Office Conference Room

PRESENT: Commissioners Mary Starrett, Stan Primozich, and Richard L. “Rick” Olson.

Staff: Laura Tschabold, Christian Boenisch, Mikalie Frei and Carrie Martin.

Subject: Economic Development

Commissioner Primozich called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

The commissioners discussed the Yamhill County Economic Development Vision, Mission, Values and Strategies that was adopted June 22, 2017 under B.O. 17-239. Each commissioner gave their perspective on what they believe the next steps in the economic development plan should be.

The consensus of the Board was that the commissioners’ role in economic development would include support and oversight and that they would contract with another entity to provide economic services on behalf of the county. The commissioners’ agreed that the best process for obtaining the right entity would be to go out for a request for proposal (RFP) based on the county’s economic development vision and mission. The commissioners discussed criteria for the proposal to include experience working with the Department of Agriculture, the State of Oregon, Regional Solutions, and with working within rural communities. The board discussed the parameters that they would like to see included in the RFP, including timelines, value adds, scope of work, criteria for scoring and the length of the contract. Staff discussed a time line of when a request for proposal could be drafted by and ready for review for the commissioners, targeting to have one ready by mid-August.

There being no other business, the meeting convened at 2:00 p.m.

Crystal Cox
Secretary