



**Home, Opportunity, Planning, and Equity (HOPE)
Executive Committee Meeting
Approved Minutes
February 28, 2024 from 4 pm to 5 pm
Virtual Meeting**

Members Present: Briae Lewis (Corvallis City Councilor); Pegge McGuire (Community Action Agency Director); Nancy Wyse (Benton County Commissioner); Mark Shepard (Corvallis City Manager); Rachel McEneny (County Administrator)

Excused: Jessica Andrade (Philomath City Councilor); Kayla Armstrong (CSC Assistant Director)

Absent: Chris Workman (Philomath City Manager)

Staff Present: April Holland (Interim County Health Department Director); Julie Arena, (Benton County Health, HOPE Program Coordinator); Rebecca Taylor (Benton County Health, HOPE Project Manager); Brigetta Olson (Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager, City of Corvallis); Paul Bilotta (Community Development Director, City of Corvallis)

Community Members: None

- I. Welcome and Introductions. Meeting overview.
- II. Public Comment: none.
- III. Approval of prior meeting minutes.
 - a. Briae moves to approve January 19, 2024 HOPE Executive Committee meeting minutes, Nancy seconds. Rachel abstains. Approved.
- IV. HOPE Board 2024 agenda setting discussion and planning
 - a. Frequency of meetings – monthly is not needed without any meaty policy development. A lot of operational work happening to implement existing policy recommendations, no need for new policy guidance as we are still working to implement recommendations.
 - b. Keep monthly HOPE Exec meeting on calendar for flexibility to pull together HOPE or have operational discussions as needed. Will not convene HOPE Exec if not needed – will make that decision more than one week in advance so it’s publicly noticed (or not).
- V. Agenda setting for future meetings
 - a. Feedback and community engagement topics:
 - i. March, May, August – flexible housing subsidy pool (FHSP) and HB 5019 rapid rehousing implementation.

1. March: overview of what's on the horizon for 2024. FHSP and how it aligns with HOPE recommendations. Fair Housing resources info share.
2. May: FHSP progress on program development – another opportunity for community partner feedback as we move forward.
3. August: final input session.

ii. October: severe weather emergency response plan.

b. Community progress updates on topics:

i. Navigation Center, continuum of care (CoC), Data updates/trends from PIT and HMIS.

c. Educational Components:

i. Legislative update about what passed, what it means, where the money is going.

VI. Coordinated Homeless Response Round Table Updates

a. Coordinated Homeless Response Office 5-Year Strategic Plan Approval

b. Legislation tracking:

i. Senate bill 5037 Governor's housing bill – lots of funding for housing, this one may have a county component to it that might affect land use with an enforcement board and waivers that might be unusual with a 91 day implementation time period.

ii. Coalition of Local Health Officials are watching lots of different bills.

Meeting Adjourned at 4:58pm