

## BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

### MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, November 30, 2022  
9:00 a.m.

Senator Hearing Room  
555 Court Street NE  
Salem, OR 97301

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Danielle Bethell, Commissioner Colm Willis, and Commissioner Kevin Cameron. Also present were Jan Fritz, chief administrative officer, Jane Vetto as county counsel, and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

Commissioner Bethell called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

*(Video Time 00:01:23)*

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ian Watts:

- Mr. Watts is the chair of Oregon People’s Vote:
  - Oregon People’s Vote is an election transparency group in Marion County.
- During the past election Oregon People’s Vote helped organize observers for the Marion County GOP election, and they also observed some of the independent observers;
- For the past three elections Oregon People’s Vote has encountered observation challenges, as they have not been given accurate information about when ballot processing will be taking place:
  - In one instance, observers were not told that ballot processing would be taking place, effectively barring them from observing; and
  - In another instance, observers arrived at the time they were told to, and when they arrived there were already Democrat observers there.
- Following are things that they have observed:
  - According to the Oregon Vote by Mail Manual, drivers who pick up ballots are to work in pairs, and they are supposed to be members of two different parties:
    - It appears that at least in the last two elections, full time county staff members were being sent out to gather ballots on weekends and off hours when the counting boards are not present:
      - They were picking ballots up from drop boxes; and
      - Mr. Watts is not sure if this is legal.
  - Oregon People’s Vote was informed that there were not enough Republican workers hired, and that it would be hard for the opening boards to be paired up with members of a different party; and
  - Signatures were passed that probably should not have been:

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- In some cases, the election worker noted that two or three ballots were signed with the same handwriting.

Mark DeCoursey:

- Mr. DeCoursey wants to talk about the secret ballot, and if we really have a secret ballot:
  - The public must trust county employees;
  - The process is so complex, no observer can really verify that what should be happening is happening, and the results of the process cannot be verified; and
  - There are half a dozen points in the process where election fraud could take place.
- Mr. DeCoursey is not accusing the county or county workers of anything, but the process should be repaired so that it is truly a secret ballot as it was originally designed.

Steve Coughenower:

- Mr. Coughenower is here to talk about Measure 114 that was recently passed in Oregon:
  - Measure 114 concerns guns and laws affecting them.
- A lawsuit has been filed to oppose Measure 114:
  - As part of their evidence the individuals who filed the lawsuit are using a precedent case that has been passed by the Supreme Court; and
  - They have asked for an injunction to keep Measure 114 from being implemented:
    - A hearing has been scheduled to make a decision on the request:
      - As Mr. Coughenower understands it, the Marion County Commissioners can either allow the hearing to take effect, or not allow it to take effect:
        - He is here to ask that the Commissioners allow the hearing to take effect.

Gayle Strawn:

- Ms. Strawn is here to speak about the elections, and Measure 114;
- She found individuals who were registered to vote in 2020, who were not living at the address listed; and
- Ms. Strawn thinks that Measure 114 is unconstitutional.

***Board discussion:***

- Commissioner Bethell asked Mr. Watts to send the Commissioners his comments via email;
- The Oregon Firearms Federation filed the lawsuit opposing Measure 114 in a different county:
  - Marion County's legal counsel will follow it closely, and they will keep the Commissioners and the Sheriff's Office updated;
  - The county has to be in compliance with something that has passed, until a court tells them otherwise; and

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- The courts have jurisdiction over the hearing.
- Commissioner Willis commented with a few things that he thinks need to be clarified:
  - The Commissioners do not have legal authority over elections;
  - The county has an elected clerk:
    - By statute, the person who currently has legal authority is Bill Burgess.
  - The Commissioners have budget authority, and the county pays for the staff that work in the Clerk's Office;
  - Elections are held every four years for County Clerk; and
  - The County Clerk has the legal authority to interpret the rules, and to implement the rules around elections.
- Commissioner Willis does have a concern about one of the statutes that was passed:
  - If a ballot is delivered after election day and it is not postmarked, it can be counted;
  - The law was originally characterized differently;
  - Commissioner Willis plans to advocate that the legislature change this law, as he does not think that it is a good law; and
  - Commissioners Cameron and Bethel agree with Commissioner Willis.

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## **PRESENTATION**

1. 2022 Project Joy Fundraiser kickoff. –Kathy Bolen and Kaylie Kinsey, Project Joy

### ***Summary of presentation:***

- Project Joy supports foster children in the area:
  - Foster children are some of the most vulnerable individuals in our community.
- Following are numbers from 2021:
  - There were over 200 certified foster homes in Marion County;
  - There were approximately 670 children in the foster care system in the county;
  - Most of the children are under the age of 12, although there are also teens in the system; and
  - A child typically stays in one place for 18 months to 2 years.
- Children in the foster care system are typically put into foster care because of abuse or neglect that makes their home unsafe including:
  - Substance abuse by a parent;
  - Sexual abuse;
  - Physical abuse; and
  - Abandonment.
- Many of the children experience difficulties, including physical, emotional, behavioral, and developmental difficulties;
- The state provides for the general care and wellbeing of foster children, but the funds do not cover items such as Christmas and birthday gifts;

- Every year, Project Joy sends Marion County employees a wish list developed by foster children;
- Last year employees supported 50 families in the system, and 128 foster children in their care:
  - Every wish that the children had were fulfilled, plus more;
  - Staff purchased over 400 gifts, including toys, clothes, diapers, backpacks, and pajamas; and
  - Through the support of employees and the community Project Joy raised over \$10,000 through gifts and cash donations.
- Project Joy kicked off on November 21, 2022, and it runs through December 9, 2022:
  - Gifts will be collected at various county locations on December 12, 2022.
- It has always been the mission of Project Joy to involve and support the entire family providing resources to foster children:
  - This year, in addition to supporting foster children, biological and adopted children in the household will be supported.
- This year Project Joy will be supporting 67 families that are supporting 215 children;
- In addition to the wish list items, Project Joy is asking for donations of diapers, toiletries, and money;
- Donations can be brought to Human Resources on the fourth floor of Courthouse Square, 555 Court Street NE;
- Donations can also be mailed to:
  - Marion County
  - Human Resources
  - PO Box 14500
  - Salem, OR 97309
- Monetary donations via checks should be made out to the “Oregon Foster Parents Association;”
- The Brothers Collection contacted Project Joy to offer their help:
  - The Brothers Collection is one of the most comprehensive muscle car collections in the world; and
  - Their museum will be open to all supporters of Project Joy on December 4, 2022, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.:
    - Admission is \$10 plus one unwrapped toy;
    - 100 percent of the proceeds will benefit the Project Joy fundraiser; and
    - The museum’s address is 3930 Fairview Industrial Drive SE, and there will be signs posted.
- This fundraiser would not be so successful without the support of the Commissioners, the community, and staff.

Kaylie Kinsey, Project Joy:

- Ms. Kinsey read a letter from a foster family thanking Project Joy for now including biological and adopted children; and

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- The money raised is used throughout the year for birthday gifts, family gifts, and gift cards.

**Board discussion:**

- The Commissioners thanked the Project Joy team for what they do.

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Commissioner Bethell requested to return to public comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Rebecca Roth:

- Ms. Roth feels that Measure 114 removes some of our constitutional rights regarding guns, and that it passed through an illegal vote; and
- She would like the Commissioners to declare Marion County to be a Constitutional County.

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**CONSENT**

CLERK'S OFFICE

2. Approve orders reappointing Bob Riggi as Chairperson and Jennifer Sasaki as Vice-Chairperson to the Chairpersons' Pool, and Gerald Bauman and Jack Yarbrough to the Non-Office-Holding Pool for the Marion County Board of Property Tax Appeals (BOPTA) with terms ending June 30, 2023.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

3. Approve the Fair Management Agreement between Marion County and the Marion County Fair Board for updates to protocols and responsibilities for managing the Marion County Fair through November 30, 2027.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

4. Approve Amendment #11 to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Health Authority to add \$3,373.05 for a new contract total of \$19,182,455.35 for adjustments to the financial assistance award funding for Tuberculosis Case Management, Program Element (PE) 03 through June 30, 2023.

PUBLIC WORKS

5. Receive notice of the hearings officer's decision approving Zone Change/Comprehensive Plan Amendment (ZC/CP) Case #22-002/Jason Feusner and schedule a public hearing for December 14, 2022.

6. Approve an order authorizing the annual application of dust abatement measures for a portion of Cemetery Hill Road, a local access road, for a period of ten years starting in 2023 and ending in 2033.

#### TREASURER'S OFFICE

7. Approve an order distributing Oregon State Forestry timber revenue in the amount of \$367,062.60 as per ORS Chapter 530.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved for approval of the consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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### **ACTION**

#### BUSINESS SERVICES

8. Consider approval of an order adopting revised Marion County Administrative Policy #801 and Procedure #801-A, Scheduling and Use of Marion County Facilities. –Tamra Goettsch

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- Following are some of the major changes:
  - Clarifies the prioritization of the use of various conference rooms;
  - Ensures that any use of county facilities will be done safely, and that the use is appropriate;
  - Additional detail around scheduling;
  - Ensures there is alignment with local, state, and federal laws;
  - Clarifies the process in which a county or an outside organization would take to reserve a facility;
  - Identifies the ten holidays that county facilities are closed each year;
  - Clarifies language around alcohol and smoking; and
  - Addition of after use expectations:
    - The rooms are returned to their original state.
- Updates have been made to the request form and internal procedures.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- Marion County employees cannot use the facilities for their personal use; and
- Taxpayers pay for the facilities for county use, but the county does not use the facilities all of the time so there is a process for outside organizations to rent a room.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve an order adopting revised Marion County Administrative Policy #801 and Procedure #801-A, Scheduling and Use of Marion County Facilities. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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### SHERIFF'S OFFICE

9. Consider approval of the ratification of the Marion County Law Enforcement Association (MCLEA) Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) for 2022-2024.

–Undersheriff Jeff Wood and Salvador Llerenas

#### ***Summary of presentation:***

- MCLEA is the largest association within the Sheriff's Office;
- The Sheriff's Office has a budget of approximately \$83 million;
- The Sheriff's Office has approximately 380 employees, with approximately half of them being MCLEA members;
- Through Oregon revised statute, sheriffs are required to be the conservators of peace throughout the county:
  - MCLEA members are the ones actually doing this.
- MCLEA members perform the following jobs and tasks:
  - Respond to 911 calls;
  - Patrol unincorporated areas of the county, contract cities, and special service districts;
  - Intake individuals who commit criminal activity to the jail;
  - Keep the jails safe;
  - Keep the adults in custody safe;
  - Work on transitional programs at the transition center;
  - Process and issue civil paperwork;
  - Keep the courthouse and the courthouse employees safe, along with other county buildings; and
  - Additional jobs and tasks.
- The two-year total of the contract is a little over \$4.1 million:
  - \$2.4 million is for cost-of-living-adjustments (COLAs):
    - Five percent COLAs for two years.
  - Also included are associated incentives, side letter agreements, and shift differentials that were implemented this year.
- A lot of language was cleaned up throughout the contract;
- There were clarifications in Articles 1, 3, and 5;
- Juneteenth was added to the list of holidays; and
- There is clarification of drug and alcohol testing to comply with county policy.

#### ***Board discussion:***

- The Commissioners are thankful for the work that the county's law enforcement does every day;
- Commissioner Willis made the following comments on the record:
  - He thinks that the union's lawyer was a little overzealous;

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- Law enforcement is strike prohibited; they cannot strike;
- If the two sides cannot come to an agreement, an arbitrator picks from the final proposals submitted by each side;
- Commissioner Willis feels that the negotiation should not have taken as long as it did; and
- He is grateful that the county's team did a good job, and that the arbitrator thought that the county had the most reasonable proposal.
- Undersheriff Wood agreed with Commissioner Willis and made the following comments:
  - The negotiations took 12 months, and at times it was problematic and a bit contentious;
  - It is unfortunate that it went to binding arbitration;
  - It is a generous contract, and the employees are treated well; and
  - Hopefully, next time it will be a non-arbitration agreement.
- Elements of the contract are retroactive to July 1, 2022.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve the ratification of the Marion County Law Enforcement Association (MCLEA) Collective Bargaining Agreement (CBA) for 2022-2024. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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#### PUBLIC WORKS

10. Consider adoption of an administrative ordinance granting Zone Change/ Comprehensive Plan Amendment (ZC/CP) Case #22-001/Trung Diep and Alyssa Tieu. –Lindsey King

##### ***Summary of presentation:***

- The application is to change the comprehensive plan designation from multi-family residential to single-family residential, and to change the zone from urban development to single-family residential;
- The property is .76 acres, and is located at 4694 Center Street NE in Salem:
  - The property is located on the south side of Center Street, approximately three quarters of a mile east of Lancaster.
- The hearings officer conducted a public hearing on March 31, 2022;
- On June 28, 2022, the hearings officer issued a recommendation that the Board deny the request;
- The Board held a duly noticed public hearing on August 31, 2022, and considered all the evidence in the record and approved the request;
- The ordinance and findings have been prepared, and the notice of adoption was given on November 9, 2022;
- The administrative ordinance is now set for formal adoption;
- The Board has the following options:
  - Adopt the ordinance as written;

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- Direct staff to prepare a modified ordinance; or
- Choose not to sign and adopt the ordinance at this time.
- Staff recommends that the Board adopts the ordinance as written.

***Board discussion:***

- The property is already developed.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to adopt an administrative ordinance granting Zone Change/Comprehensive Plan Amendment (ZC/CP) Case #22-001/Trung Diep and Alyssa Tieu. Seconded by Commissioner Willis.

***Board discussion:***

- Ms. Vetto discussed the code requirements for adopting an administrative ordinance with the Commissioners:
  - The motion should be to read the item by title;
  - Commissioner Cameron has the option of withdrawing his motion or amending it; and
  - Under the code, if an administrative ordinance is going to be adopted, it is read by title.

Commissioner Cameron withdrew his motion.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to adopt an administrative ordinance granting Zone Change/Comprehensive Plan Amendment (ZC/CP) Case #22-001/Trung Diep and Alyssa Tieu and read it by title. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Bethell read the following once only:

- Reading the ordinance by title in the matter of the application of Trung Diep and Alyssa Tieu.

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11. Consider approval of the Purchase Order with Ennis-Flint, Inc. in the amount of \$5,500,000 for the purchase of yellow and white paint required for striping roads in Marion County retroactive to May 1, 2022, through April 30, 2027. –Scott Wilson

***Summary of presentation:***

- The purchase order is using Multnomah County’s cooperative agreement;
- The agreement has a five-year term;
- For fiscal year 2022/2023 the budgeted amount is \$1,100,000;

- The paint purchased will provide the necessary traffic safety requirements used for striping Marion County roads, as well as roads of other public agencies that request striping services from Public Works;
- The county purchases approximately 50,000 gallons of both yellow and white paint a year;
- Striping includes approximately 2,800 miles of white shoulder line paint and yellow center line paint;
- Two thirds of the work is on Marion County roads; and
- One third of the work is in cities within Marion County, and in two other county jurisdictions.

***Board discussion:***

- This is an important job that helps to maintain the safety of county roads.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve the Purchase Order with Ennis-Flint, Inc. in the amount of \$5,500,000 for the purchase of yellow and white paint required for striping roads in Marion County retroactive to May 1, 2022, through April 30, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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12. Consider approval of the Marion County Public Works, Land Development Engineering and Permits (LDEP) Practice Memorandum for Secondary Access Requests to provide guidance for the permitting of secondary access from roads under county jurisdiction. –Max Hepburn

***Summary of presentation:***

- LDEP is responsible for applying county codes, rules, policies, and regulations to private impacts to the public right of way under the county’s jurisdiction;
- A common request is being able to provide secondary accesses to properties;
- Current county regulations do not give a clear guidance or framework on how to approve these requests;
- This was brought before the Board at a Management Update meeting in October; and
- The goal is to provide a framework for the public and staff, so that requests can be approved, and to see what options are available to provide secondary access.

***Board discussion:***

- There is no established appeal process if a citizen is not satisfied with what Public Works tells them:
  - The Board does have the ultimate authority.
- Commissioner Willis commented that this is a common question, with people wondering why Public Works is not allowing them to put an additional access onto the road:

- People argue that it is their property, and that they should be able to put an access onto the road;
- If every person put as many driveways as they wanted to onto a road, that road becomes very hard to navigate; and
- The county looks at access onto roads because it needs to work for everyone, and sometimes the county has to say that a person can only have one driveway.
- Staff and the Commissioners had previously looked at the rules, and determined that sometimes the county could be overly strict:
  - There were instances where an additional access would not actually impede the public's use of a road, and the additional access would not endanger anyone;
  - The goal is to make the rules work for as many people as possible; and
  - In those instances where a secondary access will not interfere with everyone's ability to use a road, then the county wants to make that happen if they can.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to approve the Marion County Public Works, Land Development Engineering and Permits (LDEP) Practice Memorandum for Secondary Access Requests to provide guidance for the permitting of secondary accesses from roads under county jurisdiction. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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13. Consider approval of Amendment #1 to the incoming funds Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation to add \$164,000 of which an estimated \$147,157 will be provided in federal funds and an estimated \$16,843 will be provided in county funds, for a new contract total of \$5,328,298 for the Rambler Drive SE: Little Pudding River Bridge Repair project through December 9, 2030. –Ryan Crowther

***Summary of presentation:***

- The project is located northeast of Salem, between Salem and Mount Angel;
- At 1,575 feet long, it is one of the county's largest bridges;
- The bridge is a two-lane timber bridge that was built in 1963;
- The original project scope was not to replace the bridge, but to rehabilitate the bridge;
- The project scope includes the following:
  - Replace existing rotting timber decking, and apply a new wearing surface;
  - Replace timber pile caps and compromised timber piles where there is rot;
  - Replace the old, wooden bridge rail with a rail that is crash rated and safer; and
  - Construct approach guardrail on each side of the bridge.
- Amendment #1 does not change the scope of the project;
- Amendment #1 adds funds to hire a design consultant;
- Public Works has received more bridge grants than they have the capacity to deliver in-house; and
- Construction will start in 2024.

**Board discussion:**

- The bridge goes from east to west;
- A lot of the timber members that are being replaced will be replaced with steel members:
  - Not all of the timber members are being replaced.
- The top wooden rail will be replaced with a metal rail;
- Maintenance will still be required on the remaining timber members; and
- The work should extend the life of the bridge for at least 20 years.

**MOTION:** Commissioner Willis moved to approve Amendment #1 to the incoming funds Intergovernmental Agreement with the Oregon Department of Transportation to add \$164,000 of which an estimated \$147,157 will be provided in federal funds and an estimated \$16,843 will be provided in county funds, for a new contract total of \$5,328,298 for the Rambler Drive SE: Little Pudding River Bridge Repair project through December 9, 2030. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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**PUBLIC HEARINGS  
9:30 A.M.**

**PUBLIC WORKS**

A. Public hearing to consider an increase to the Solid Waste Collection Rates charged by franchised haulers within the unincorporated areas of Marion County. –Brian May and Chris Bell, Bell and Associates, LLC

***Summary of presentation:***

- There has not been a solid waste collection rate increase since 2019.

Chris Bell, Bell and Associates, LLC:

- Mr. Bell works with Environmental Services and the haulers to do an annual cost of service analysis:
  - This requires an annual submission of a detailed cost report to be submitted by the franchise haulers within the county:
    - There are currently eight haulers.
  - Mr. Bell reviews the reports and develops a combined composite report for each of the two regions within Marion County:
    - The urban growth boundary area and the unincorporated areas of the county.
  - The results of the composite report determine what the cost of providing services within the county are, and it allows collection rates to be set for each of the following levels of service:
    - Commercial container;

- Residential cart; or
  - Drop box.
- In analyzing the reports submitted by the haulers Mr. Bell performs the following tasks:
  - He does predictive tests which are similar to an audit:
    - Reported revenues are divided by the reported number of customers to determine if the revenue being generated by those customers is adequate.
  - He looks at whether the cost of disposal labor, trucks, and administration are reasonable for the level of operations that are being provided;
  - He reviews the costs between county operations and city operations to make sure that there is not an over, or under, allocation; and
  - The adjustments are rolled into a composite result to determine what the financial health is of each of the areas where services are provided.
- Rates were adjusted in 2019, based on reports submitted in 2018;
- Inflation has increased costs by 14.8 percent since 2018:
  - The average price per gallon of diesel has increased by 139 percent;
  - Truck and container costs have increased approximately 5 percent every year since 2010; and
  - Labor costs have significantly increased primarily due to the scarcity of licensed commercial drivers.
- The cost to provide collection services within Marion County in 2021 was \$13.4 million:
  - A significant amount of the expense is disposal and labor.
- The costs for 2023 are projected to increase by \$1.1 million when compared to 2021 costs:
  - The cost of processing recycling is increasing by 3.7 percent due to the reduced value of the collected material.
- Following are projected results by region and service level:
  - Urban region:
    - Composite is 8.5 percent; and
    - Proposing a 2.8 percent increase for residential cart service.
  - Rural region:
    - Proposing an increase to residential cart service, container service, and drop box services.
- Following are the proposed rural rates for a commercial container for manual service, which is primarily the services provided to customers that are on the outskirts of the county:
  - Proposing an increase for smaller containers to bring them up to a cost of service:
    - Proposing that the increases take place over a two-year period because the increases are significant:
      - For a one-yard container proposing a \$27.45 per year rate increase over the next two years;
      - For a one-and-a-half-yard container proposing a \$20.53 per year rate increase; and

- For a two-yard container proposing a \$12.04 per year rate increase.
  - Rates for containers three yards or larger will remain the same.
- The following proposed drop box increases are the same for both rural and urban areas:
  - Proposing an adjustment to the way that the rates are set:
    - The haul rate would be standardized for 20 and 30-yard drop boxes;
    - The haul rate for 40-yard drop boxes would be reduced slightly to make them comparable with the 20 and 30-yard rates; and
    - Adjustments would be made for driving distances in rural areas.
- Following are the proposed medical waste collection rates:
  - There are low and high-volume rates for medical waste:
    - There is a slight increase to the low volume rates; and
    - There is a slight decrease in the high-volume rates.

***Board discussion:***

- Following are the costs that are driving the increase in management and administrative costs:
  - The two primary costs are the cost of labor and the cost of medical insurance; and
  - There is also a small increase in the Consumer Price Index, and some other variable costs such as utilities.
- Management and administrative costs are increasing from 17 percent of the total to 17.2 percent of the total;
- Commissioner Willis noted the following:
  - The proposal is for a 1.1 percent increase in rural areas, and a 2.8 percent increase in urban areas; and
  - Inflation over the last 12 months was 7.7 percent.
- Commissioner Willis stated for the record that it is good that the increase is less than the inflation rate because in years where costs are not increasing like they are now, collection rates may increase a little bit and the haulers do not have to give that money back:
  - There is a certain equality where in the good years they do not have to give the money back, and in high inflation years they do not raise collection rates as much as other suppliers of services do.
- Commissioner Willis is thankful to the haulers and to staff for negotiating rate increases that are reasonable and that do not add significantly to the pain that a lot of people are feeling;
- Commissioner Bethell agrees with Commissioner Willis; and
- Staff recommend approval of the proposal, and a board order and updated rate sheet have been provided.

Commissioner Bethell asked if anyone wanted to provide comment on the record and noted for the record that no one had signed up for public comment.


**MOTION:** Commissioner Cameron moved to close the public hearing and consider an increase to the Solid Waste Collection Rates charged by franchised haulers within the unincorporated areas of Marion County. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

Commissioner Bethell noted for the record that the Commissioners were scheduled to have a town hall in the City of Gates tonight at the Gates church, but the town hall has been cancelled due to inclement weather. The town hall will be rescheduled. If there is something important that a citizen wanted to bring to the attention of the Commissioners, they can email them at [commissioners@co.marion.or.us](mailto:commissioners@co.marion.or.us) or they can contact the office at 503-588-5212.


Commissioner Willis mentioned that there was a big soccer game yesterday, and the U.S. Men's National Team beat Iran 1-0. They move into the round of 16 and are playing the Netherlands at 7 a.m. on Saturday.

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Commissioner Bethell adjourned the meeting at 10:31 a.m.

  
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