



**MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOARD SESSION**

Minutes

Wednesday, July 29, 2026, 9:00 a.m.
Senator Hearing Room
Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE
Salem, Oregon 97301
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PRESENT: Commissioner Colm Willis, Commissioner Kevin Cameron, and Commissioner Danielle Bethell. Also present were Jan Fritz, chief administrative officer, Steve Elzinga as county counsel, and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

Commissioner Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.
Commissioner Willis arrived at 9:06 a.m.

(Video Time 00:00:41)

PUBLIC COMMENT

Two people signed up and provided public comment.

(Video Time 00:07:21)

PRESENTATION

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

1. Marion County Health and Human Services, Public Health Division reaccreditation. –Kailey Knospe

(Video Time 00:18:22)

- Commissioner Bethell requested to have two separate motions for the Consent Agenda because she is unable to participate in the action for item four on the agenda:
 - Commissioner Bethell expressed that she needs to recuse herself from the action for item four; but
 - She would like to vote on items two and three.
- Commissioner Willis requested two motions be made.

(Video Time 00:18:44)

MOTION: Commissioner Cameron moved to remove item four and add a second Consent calendar. Seconded by Commissioner Bethell; motion carried with Commissioner Bethell voting aye; Commissioner Cameron voting aye; and Commissioner Willis voting aye.

(Video Time 00:19:06)

FIRST CONSENT

FINANCE

2. Approve a Contract of Sale for the sale of tax foreclosed property from Marion County back to the prior property owner of record, Roger A. Dinehart, tax account 576846.

FINANCE

3. Approve Amendment #1 to the Purchase Order (PO) with Robert Half International Inc. to add \$75,000 for a new PO total of \$175,000 to continue to provide temporary staffing services retroactive to July 1, 2026, through September 11, 2026.

MOTION: Commissioner Cameron moved for approval of the first consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Bethell; motion carried with Commissioner Bethell voting aye; Commissioner Cameron voting aye; and Commissioner Willis voting aye.

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- Commissioner Bethell declared a conflict for item four and will not be participating in the vote or discussion.

(Video Time 00:20:07)

SECOND CONSENT

PUBLIC WORKS

4. Approve Amendment #1 to the Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) Amendment for the Construction Manager/General Contractor (CM/GC) Contract with Slayden Constructors, Inc. that adds federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding in the amount of \$1,139,150 for a new contract total of \$38,677,753 and provides the labor, materials, supervision, coordination, and equipment necessary to complete the N.W. Alder Street / North 1st Avenue sanitary sewer improvements in Mill City, Oregon.

MOTION: Commissioner Cameron moved for approval of the second consent agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried with Commissioner Cameron voting aye; Commissioner Willis voting aye; and Commissioner Bethell abstained from the vote.

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- Commissioner Bethell clarified for the record that the conflict was due to a family member working for Slayden Constructors, Inc.

(Video Time 00:21:22)

ACTION

PUBLIC WORKS

5. Consider approval of an order to establish a temporary speed zone on a portion of Gates Hill Road S.E. during construction of the North Fork Road Landslide Repair Project and the associated closure of North Fork Road.

–Carl Lund

- The reduced speed limit will be 35 miles per hour.

MOTION: Commissioner Bethell moved to approve an order to establish a temporary speed zone on a portion of Gates Hill Road S.E. during construction of the North Fork Road Landslide Repair Project and the associated closure of North Fork Road. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried with Commissioner Bethell voting aye; Commissioner Cameron voting aye; and Commissioner Willis voting aye.

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PUBLIC HEARING

Starting no earlier than 9:00 a.m.

None.

Commissioner Willis adjourned the meeting at 9:25 a.m.