

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MINUTES OF THE BOARD SESSION – Regular Session

Wednesday, April 9, 2025
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 Steve Elzinga as county counsel and Brenda Koenig as recorder.

ABSENT: Jan Fritz, chief administrative officer

Commissioner Bethell called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.
Commissioner Willis arrived at 9:13 a.m.

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PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

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CONSENT

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Board Appointment – Chief Medical Examiner

1. Approve an order appointing Steven R. Fletcher, MD, as Marion County's District Medical Examiner effective April 9, 2025.

BUSINESS SERVICES

2. Approve the Public Improvement Agreement with Trane Oregon in the amount of \$128,659 for the Marion County Jail Intake HVAC Replacement project through December 31, 2025.

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

3. Approve Amendment #1 to the Contract for Services with Professional Therapeutic Community Network, Inc., to add \$200,000 for a new contract total of \$350,000 to continue to provide monitoring, security, and supervision services for Psychiatric Security Review Board (PSRB) clients through June 30, 2027.

4. Approve Amendment #1 to the Contract for Services with Carrolls Group Care Home, Inc., to add \$300,000 for a new contract total of \$525,000 to continue to provide residential services to individuals who are not Medicaid eligible or receiving Social Security Income (SSI) benefits through June 30, 2027.

5. Approve Amendment #1 to the contract for services with Marimea Bodunov to add \$300,000 for a new contract total of \$500,000 to continue to provide adult foster care services for individuals who are not Medicaid eligible or receiving Social Security Income (SSI) benefits through June 30, 2027.

PUBLIC WORKS

6. Receive notice of the hearings officer's decision denying Conditional Use (CU) Case #24-028/Marvin Klopfenstein.

7. Approve the Purchase Order with Pape Machinery in the amount of \$399,552.20 for the purchase of one 2025 John Deere 672GP motor grader to replace a 36-year-old grader that is at end of life.

TREASURER'S OFFICE

8. Approve an order to eliminate a change fund in the amount of \$150 for the Marion County Health and Human Services Clinic due to the clinic moving to a new location.

9. Approve an order to increase the change fund from \$450 to \$750 for the Marion County Health and Human Services (MCHHS) Clinic, MCHHS Environmental Health Services, and MCHHS Vital Statistics, which are all located in one service area.

10. Approve an order to increase the change fund from \$450 to \$500 for the Marion County Justice Court to meet the needs of customers paying with cash.

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

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ACTION

PUBLIC WORKS

11. Consider approval of a Contract-Specific Special Procurement for climate-controlled radio equipment enclosures for the Marion County Radio Project. –Brian Nicholas

Summary of presentation:

- Marion County is building a public safety radio system to cover the areas outside the cities of Salem and Keizer for first responders to utilize:
 - The two cities are already covered by the City of Salem's system.
- American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) is the largest funding source for the project:
 - The expenditure deadline is the end of 2026.
- The Contract-Specific Special Procurement request is for the purchase of climate-controlled radio facility enclosures;
- There are seven radio sites that require new or replacement enclosures:
 - The county does not have a radio presence at four sites; and
 - Three sites require replacement.
- Radio enclosures are generally pre-cast concrete buildings with air conditioning units attached:
 - Well maintained enclosures can last 100 years;
 - This style of building is expensive; and
 - The lead time is typically over one year.
- Radio equipment requires the following for operation:
 - An integrated grounding system;
 - Integrated redundant climate control systems;
 - Cable tray systems;
 - Internal wiring; and
 - Special penetrations into the building.
- Prefabricated, all steel, insulated buildings are another option with the same features:
 - They are built faster;
 - They are more economical; and
 - The structures provide the same life expectancy.
- Staff researched which structure would best meet the county's needs for the project:
 - It was determined that steel buildings are a good fit for the project.
- There are only four steel enclosure fabricators in the United States:
 - They provide proprietary systems;
 - Structures are built to each organization's own specifications;
 - They usually serve the cell phone industry; and
 - They are not subject to government procurement rules.
- Staff are requesting authority from the board to solicit commercial pricing quotes from the manufacturers; and

- Staff will select the manufacturer that provides the best quote that meets the county's needs.

Board discussion:

- It is anticipated that at least three quotes will be submitted that meet the county's specifications; and
- The specifications are part of the solicitation request.

MOTION: Commissioner Cameron moved to approve a Contract-Specific Special Procurement for climate-controlled radio equipment enclosures for the Marion County Radio Project. Seconded by Commissioner Bethell; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

(Video Time 00:16:13)

12. Consider approval of the Engineering and Related Services Contract with DOWL, LLC. in the amount of \$695,301.12, of which an estimate \$623,893.69 will utilize federal funds and an estimated \$71,407.43 will utilize county funds for the Willamette River and Independence Bridge Repair Project through June 30, 2027. –Ryan Crowther and Steve Preszler

Summary of presentation:

- The bridge project is located near the City of Independence and is southwest of the City of Salem;
- The bridge crosses from Marion County to Polk County;
- The structure is 2,290 feet in length;
- The project scope includes:
 - Strengthening the bridge to remove the current load rating; and
 - Repairing damaged and failing components.
- The county's rehabilitation priorities that DOWL, LLC will address entail the following:
 - Improving and removing the load rating;
 - Strengthening the bridge;
 - Repairing a damaged rail;
 - Replacing bridge joints;
 - Resurfacing the deck;
 - Repainting the substructure as needed; and
 - Addressing areas with rust.
- The contract's total budget for preliminary engineering has a not-to-exceed amount of \$695,301.12:
 - The county pays DOWL, LLC an hourly rate; and
 - The project is federally funded:
 - An estimated \$623,893.69 will utilize federal funding for the contract; and
 - An estimated \$71,407.43 will utilize county funding.
- The total project budget is \$7,819,800:

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- An estimated \$7,016,706.54 will utilize federal funding; and
- An estimated \$803,093.46 will utilize county funding.
- The project schedule entails:
 - Preliminary design in 2025;
 - Final design will be done in 2026; and
 - Construction will begin in 2027.

Board discussion:

- Funding for the project is a federally funded grant:
 - The state's budget and financial challenges will not impact the project;
 - The federal funding is available and has been obligated;
 - The state is dedicated to the project; and
 - Staff have not heard any talk of removing existing grants from the federal government.

Motion: Commissioner Willis moved to approve the Engineering and Related Services Contract with DOWL, LLC. in the amount of \$695,301.12, of which an estimate \$623,893.69 will utilize federal funds and an estimated \$71,407.43 will utilize county funds for the Willamette River and Independence Bridge Repair Project through June 30, 2027. Seconded by Commissioner Cameron; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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13. Consider approval of Amendment #2 to the Construction Contract with Farline Bridge, Inc., to add \$974,768.35 for a new contract total of \$2,234,852.35, of which an estimated \$1,422,800 will utilize state funding and an estimated \$812,052.35 will utilize county funding, for the Meridian Road NE: Abiqua Creek Bridge Rehabilitation project through December 31, 2026. – Ryan Crowther and Steve Preszler

Summary of presentation:

- Before the board for consideration is Amendment #2 to the Construction Contract with Farline Bridge, Inc.;
- The project is located on Meridian Road and is northeast of the City of Silverton;
- The original contract was to rehabilitate the existing bridge to extend the service life;
- Amendment #2 to the Contract allows for the replacement of the existing bridge with a new bridge:
 - The contractor approached the county because they have existing, used box beams that are in good condition in their inventory:
 - The beams are the correct length for the bridge;
 - They are more economical than purchasing new box beams;
 - The required work is similar to what was originally bid;
 - The county is able to utilize most of the existing bid items; and

- Any additional work will be added with an amendment.
- The proposed new bridge details include:
 - It will meet current structural and seismic standards;
 - It will meet alignment and width requirements; and
 - It has a service life of 75 to 100 years:
 - Rehabilitating the existing bridge would only extend its life for 25 years.
- The original contract total is \$1,260,084;
- Amendment #2 will increase the contract by an estimated \$974,768.35;
- The new contract total is \$2,234,852.35:
 - An estimated \$1,422,800 will utilize state grant funding; and
 - An estimated \$812,052.35 will utilize county funding.
- Construction is anticipated to take place during the summer and fall months of 2025;
- Portable reader boards will be set up to warn the public about the bridge closure;
- Additional information will be put out to the public; and
- Staff have worked extensively with the surrounding property owners regarding the project and will notify them if approved.

Board discussion:

- None.

MOTION: Commissioner Cameron moved to approve Amendment #2 to the Construction Contract with Farline Bridge, Inc., to add \$974,768.35 for a new contract total of \$2,234,852.35, of which an estimated \$1,422,800 will utilize state funding and an estimated \$812,052.35 will utilize county funding, for the Meridian Road NE: Abiqua Creek Bridge Rehabilitation project through December 31, 2026. Seconded by Commissioner Willis; motion carried. A voice vote was unanimous.

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

None.

Commissioner Bethell adjourned the meeting at 9:27 a.m.

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