



MARION COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
BOC/CAO Issues Coordination

July 2, 2025  
1:15 pm to 2:15 pm  
Courthouse Square  
Commissioner's Boardroom  
Salem, Oregon

**Meeting Minutes**

**AGENDA**

**1. Welcome**

Commissioner Willis

Commissioner Willis called the meeting to order at 1:20 pm.

Chair Bethell, Commissioner Willis, Commissioner Cameron, CAO Fritz, DCAO Eppley, Sr. Policy Analyst Lawyer, Sr. Policy Analyst Heynen were present

**2. Communications**

John Heynen

- a. Sr. Policy Analyst Heynen provided a series of examples of scheduled social media communications slated for release by the Health and Human Services Department in the next several weeks. Many of them revolve around sensitive topics like sexually transmitted illnesses. John asked the Board to provide guidance on whether and/or how they want the County to release these types of communications in the future. The Board provided guidance that all public information releases of this nature should lean heavily on health and be tasteful in design.

**3. Marion County Materials Management Advisory Council**

Commissioner Cameron

- a. Commissioner Cameron led a discussion regarding the selection of citizen members for the County's new Materials Management Advisory Council. The Commissioners had dialogue and came to agreement to seek out members from specific areas of the County, like the Santiam Canyon, in order to guarantee wide geographic representation.

**4. Parkdale Park**

Commissioner Cameron

- a. Commissioner Cameron led a discussion about the improvements that have been made to Parkdale Park and also about several adjacent property owners who want to

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access the backs of their properties through the park for the convenience of getting large vehicles/boats/etc. out. The Commissioners agreed that those who have properties adjacent to the planned parking lot and/or access road could access their properties that way but those adjacent owners who would have to drive through the grass and over improvements will need to find a different access point.

## **5. ARPA Revenue Replacement Funds**

Chris Eppley

- a. Chris Eppley led a discussion about a spreadsheet created to track the use of ARPA revenue replacement funds if/when reallocation of funds occurs between projects. The Commissioners approved the tracking format.

## **6. Administrative Issues**

Jan Fritz

- a. Jan Fritz led a discussion regarding the possible need for an executive session on Thursday from 4PM to 5PM. She stated that it is scheduled but was not sure whether it will be needed. The Commissioners will remain available if needed.
- b. Jan explained that the ERP contract is being finalized and will be brought to the Commissioners at Board Session as soon as possible to make a July timeline.

## **7. Other**

Commissioner Willis

- a. Commissioner Willis brought back discussion about Santiam Hospital and the possibility of the County issuing bonds to secure debt for the Non-profit hospital. Jan explained that, after checking with Legal, it is possible to do. Commissioner Willis expressed that the information is good but he recommends no action at this time. Commissioner Bethell was not in favor of exploring this as an option.

## **8. Adjourn**

- a. Commissioner Willis adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm.