



Commissioner Sam Brentano

Sam Brentano was appointed to the Marion County Board of Commissioners in November 2003. He was elected in November 2004, 2008, 2012, and 2016. As a commissioner, Sam focuses on solid waste, emergency management, and transportation issues.

Commissioner Brentano serves on the Board of Directors for the Association of Oregon & California Counties and is working to secure the future of rural communities through revitalization of the timber industry through practical management of Oregon's forests. Commissioner Brentano pushed for improvements to the I-5/Woodburn Interchange and continues to support a third bridge in Salem and expanded access to Cordon Road.

Commissioner Brentano served as mayor of the City of Sublimity in Marion County from 1982 to 1993. A businessman in the solid waste recycling industry for more than 30 years, he retired in 2001 from his position as president and general manager of United Disposal Service. Commissioner Brentano holds a bachelor's degree in business from Oregon State University and attended Kennedy and Woodburn High Schools. For 20 years he served as a volunteer firefighter/EMT with Sublimity, Woodburn and Harrisburg Rural Fire Districts. He was a long-time member of the Regis High School Foundation and Saint Boniface Parish Council and is a supporter of Silverton Hospital and the Stayton Library foundations. Sam is a past president and longtime member of the Stayton area Rotary.