



MARION COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOC/CAO Issues Coordination

August 27, 2025
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Courthouse Square
Commissioner's Boardroom
Salem, Oregon

Meeting Minutes

AGENDA

1. Welcome

Chair Bethell

Commissioner Bethell called the meeting to order at 1:32 pm.

Chair Bethell, Commissioner Cameron, CAO Fritz, DCAO Eppley, DA Clarkson, Chief Deputy DA Murphy were present.

2. Victim Assistance Program

Paige Clarkson

- a. DA Clarkson explained that the Victim Assistance program in the DA's Office is partially funded by a VOCA (Victims of Crime Act) grant from the federal government through the State DOJ and that the grant has been unexpectedly reduced by 80%. This reduction will likely trigger layoffs. The DA is working with HR to develop an internal business plan on how to redistribute duties and labor to accomplish as much of the mission of this program as they can. The Commissioners want the DA to work with HR and go through the normal process to evaluate staffing needs.

3. Butteville Landing

Chair Bethell

- a. Chair Bethell discussed a request she has received by two citizens regarding public access to a dedicated public right of way that is in question and being litigated with the County against. Commissioner Cameron asked CAO Fritz to have Legal Council brief the Commissioners on the status of the litigation prior to any reply being made by Commissioner to the citizens.

4. Enchanted Way

Commissioner Cameron

- a. Chair Bethell discussed a request she received from a property owner on Enchanted way about homelessness and trash in the area. The Commissioners thought a program should be developed with good neighbor funding to help fund projects or "adopt a road" groups to clean up areas around the County. Jan Fritz was directed to

ask the Public Works Director to task a road work crew to the area to clean up the right of way.

5. Other

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- a. Commissioner Cameron discussed the County's new solid waste advisory council.
- b. Commissioner Bethell discussed a meeting she and Jan Fritz had with the Mayor and City Manager of Salem. The communication exchange was good and there was agreement to continue having the meetings on a monthly cadence.
- c. CAO Fritz alerted the Commissioners that the total compensation statements are complete and will be delivered shortly.

6. Adjourn

- a. Chair Bethell adjourned the meeting at 2:57 pm.