



MARION COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOC/CAO Issues Coordination

February 19, 2025
1:30 pm to 2:30 pm
Courthouse Square
Commissioners Boardroom
Salem, Oregon

Meeting Minutes

AGENDA

1. Welcome

Danielle Bethell, Chair

Chair Bethell called the meeting to order at 1:45PM

Chair Bethell, Commissioner Willis, Commissioner Cameron, CAO Fritz, DCAO Eppley, Senior Policy Analyst Klausen.

2. Chief Administrative Officer Updates on County Operations

Jan Fritz

a. Legislative Agenda Update

AJ Klausen

Alvin Klausen had a discussion with the Board regarding the upcoming NACo meeting in Washington DC regarding expectations of staffing needs for the meeting and what prepared materials the Commissioners want. Conversation occurred regarding the state legislative agenda, staff support needs, expectations of Pac West lobby firm, and a bill the County wants to support on modifying the DEQ three-basin rule for the Mill City sewer project.

b. Futbol center traffic analysis and Eco Devo grant

Commissioner Willis

Commissioner Willis brought up the topic of traffic created by the Capital Futbol Club complex and the need for a thorough traffic study through the engineering department. If the traffic study determines the need for an turn lane, he would like to consider an economic development grant through the County's Community Services Department, lottery funds grant program. Commissioner Cameron was supportive and Commissioner Bethell wants more information on the traffic analysis and what infrastructure is truly needed to mitigate the impact.

3. Other

All

a. Legislative priorities

Commissioner Cameron

Commissioner Cameron brought up three topics. First, was the recalibration of the County's Solid Waste Management Advisory Council and the possible exploration of creating a disposal district to include Marion, Linn, Polk, and Benton counties to drive better pricing on flow control. Commissioner Bethell would like to also see Yamhill County at the table. The next item was supporting the bill that will be presented to the legislature regarding the three-basin-rule. Commissioner Cameron believes this is the highest legislative priority the county has this year. The final item was an update on the Ruterra Group who is exploring purchasing the waste-to-energy facility in Brooks from ReWorld. Commissioner Cameron said that the Ruterra Group is getting very close to agreeing to the terms set by ReWorld and they would need a contract from the County for solid waste flow into the plant before they close any deal.

4. Adjourn

Chair Bethell adjourned the meeting at 2:48PM.