MARION COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOC/CAO Issues Coordination

October 15, 2026
9:30AM to 10:30AM
Courthouse Square
Commissioner's Boardroom
Salem, Oregon

**Meeting Minutes**

**AGENDA**

**1. Welcome** Chair Willis

Chair Willis called the meeting to order at 10:30AM

Chair Willis, Commissioner Bethell, Commissioner Cameron, DCAO Eppley, County Ops Manager Lawyer, County Counsel Elzinga were present.

**2. CFEC** Steve Elzinga

**a.** County Counsel Elzinga provided a draft letter to send to the Cities of Salem and Keizer to ask for their support in requesting that DLCD remand their decision to implement the Salem/Keizer Regional CFEC scenario. Commissioner Bethell expressed strong support for this action and stated the County is very opposed to the CFEC requirements.

**3. AOC Conference** Commissioner Bethell

**a.** Commissioner Bethell explained that the annual AOC Conference this year would have a number of Public Health related topics and asked for support from the rest of the Board to invite Troy Gregg, HHS Administrator, and other HHS staff to attend this year. The Board was in favor of this request.

**4. OHA Rules** Commissioner Bethell

**a.** Commissioner Bethell explained that she participated in a meeting with numerous providers across the state and would like to send targeted comments to OHA regarding their rules that prevent HHS staff from removing dangerous materials like weapons from those housed adult care facilities. She explained that many of the providers are in support of the County taking this action but wish to remain

anonymous for fear of retribution from the OHA while administering their contracts with the state agency.

**5. Hands and Words Are Not for Hurting**

**a.** Commissioner Bethell would like the County to purchase posters and wrist bands for the Hands and Words Are Not for Hurting campaign that will be presented at the annual State of the County address. The Board was supportive of this effort.

**6. Adjourn**

**a.** Chair Willis adjourned the meeting at 10:40AM.