



MARION COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
BOC/CAO Issues Coordination

February 5, 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 1:30PM.

Chair Bethell, Commissioner Cameron, Commissioner Willis, CAO Fritz, County Counsel Elzinga, DCAO Eppley were present.

Chair Bethell announced that the BOC CAO meeting would now be recessed and that we would enter into an executive session according to ORS 192.662(2)(f) to consider exempt information/records.

Chair Bethell Recessed the BOC CAO meeting at 1:35PM.

2. Executive Session

Steve Elzinga

**a. ORS 192.662(2)(f) consider
exempt information/records**

The Executive Session concluded at 1:50PM and Chair Bethell reconvened the BOC CAO meeting at 1:50PM

3. Congressional Spending (Community Project Funding)

All

The Commissioners discussed what Marion County infrastructure projects they would like to request federal funding for through the federal legislative agenda for the North Santiam Sewer project, the Marion County Public Safety Radio project, and for the Detroit Marina excavation project. The Santiam Meadows housing project in Mill City could be a secondary funding priority as sources become available.

4. Other

Commissioner Bethell discussed her desire to improve tracking of board decision points

from one meeting to the next when ongoing topics come up for discussion over consecutive meetings. Staff was asked to develop a form to track board decisions made on topics and to include this information at the next meeting when an issue is discussed so that the board can better track the history of their decisions to provide clarity.

Commissioner Bethell discussed the need for improved communications and coordination among board staff and for staff to own their work projects from beginning to end. Additionally, discussion occurred regarding the roles and responsibilities of policy analysts in the board's office and the need to clarify roles and responsibilities to improve efficiency.

There was a general discussion on recent changes in open meetings law and what type of minutes should be produced for and the process for distributing those minutes.

5. Adjourn

Chair Bethell adjourned the BOC CAO meeting at 2:52PM