



MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Minutes

Tuesday, April 14, 2026, 9:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.
Commissioners' Boardroom
Courthouse Square, 555 Court St. NE, Suite 5231
Salem, Oregon 97301

Attendance:

Commissioners: Colm Willis, Danielle Bethell and Kevin Cameron.

Board's Office: Alvin Klausen, Shawnnell Fuentes, Trevor Lane, Jonathan Sanford, and Jon Heynen.

Legal Counsel: Steve Elzinga.

Sheriff's Office: Mike Hartford, and Nick Hunter.

Public Works: Dennis Mansfield, Ryan Crowther, Scott Wilson, and Brian Nicholas.

Assessor's Office: Tom Rohlfing, and Nate Combs.

Health and Human Services: Laura Srouse, Kelly Martin, Phil Blea, Susan McLaughlin, Patty Vega, and Ryan Matthews.

Commissioner Kevin Cameron called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m.

Informational

1. Parcel Data Sharing

-Assessor Tom Rohlfing

Summary of Presentation:

Oregon Geographic Information Council (OGIC) parcel data sharing and state intent for broad data sharing among government entities.

- In 2015 board directed name and address be excluded from search and data sets:
 - Still treated as public records for specific requests.
- OGIC legislation removes county liability from how shared data is used:
 - Concerns remain about privacy and unintended uses.
- Reviewed Polk County's termination letter of:
 - OGIC participation.
 - Asserted state should cover additional workload caused by state mandates.
- Formal policy reaffirming name and address are not shared in OGIC data set.
- Maximize privacy, avoid unfunded mandates, and restrict data sharing to required statutes and rules.

Board Direction:

- Maintain current practice:
 - Do not include name or address in parcel data set shared with OGIC.
- Legal counsel to:
 - Review Polk County's letter.
 - Draft similar letter for Marion County to terminate OGIC data share:
 - State county will not absorb additional workload without state funding.
 - Draft formal policy stating name and address will not be in OGIC-shared data.

2. Contract with DPI Security, Inc for Security Services

-Commander Mike Hartford

Summary of Presentation:

- Provide unarmed private overnight security at Transition Center's Overnight program.
- Serves high risk, hardest to house on supervision individuals:
 - Lack of viable housing options.
- Private security will provide:
 - Access control.
 - Facility monitoring.
 - Documentation.
 - Emergency notification.
- Contract amount is \$121,979 for three years, with options to extend:
 - Cost is about a quarter of overnight coverage using sworn personnel.
- Transition from parole and probation overtime to private security once contract done.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward on consent.

3. Contract with North Santiam Paving, Co for 2026 Paving

-Ryan Crowther

Summary of Presentation:

- Reviewed annual resurfacing contract for 17.1 miles on six road segments:
 - Howell Prairie Road - Highway 214 to Silverton Road.
 - State Street - Cordon Road to Howell Prairie Road.
 - Deschutes Road.
 - 93rd Avenue.
 - Edmondson Drive.
 - Waldo Hills Road and nearby smaller roadways.
- Low bid from North Santiam Paving Co was \$3,685,517:
 - Six competitive bids were received.
- Bonds and insurance have just been received:
 - Contract is moving into compliance review.
- Bringing items to Management Update earlier so contractors can lock in prices.
- Per mile pricing for this year's work is lower than last year:
 - Consistent with recent trends.
 - Contractors bidding with tighter margins.
- Road closures expected to be limited:
 - Especially near Cordon where traffic control must be carefully managed.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.
- Include short presentation at board session too:
 - Note key road segments.
 - Describe anticipated limited road closures and traffic control.
 - Provide public awareness of seasonal work and impacts.

4. Authorize Road Fund Expenditure for Kubin Road SE

-Scott Wilson

Summary of Presentation:

- Access road off North Fork Road:
 - Two 12-inch culverts are failing due to damage from 2020 wildfires.
- Residents reported inadequate drainage and partial collapse:
 - Site inspection confirmed premature failure.
- Estimated cost to replace culverts is up to approximately \$10,000.

- Local access roads are not normally Road Fund eligible:
 - Board can authorize Road Fund use in specific cases like emergencies.
- Previous post wildfire culvert replacements were done on this road:
 - These two culverts were missed.
- Need to maintain safe access for residents and emergency vehicles.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

5. Purchase Order Approval for Sliding Axle Trailer from Nelson Truck Equipment

-Scott Wilson

Summary of Presentation:

- Original trailer order from Globe Trailer Manufacturing had to be canceled:
 - Vendor reported after more than a year they can't manufacture or deliver.
- Identified comparable replacement - Landoll 40 4B sliding axle trailer.
 - Purchased by Eugene Water & Electric Board (EWEB) cooperative agreement.
- Low loading angle, improved stability, and better maneuverability in tight locations.
- Total cost is \$126,575.
- Replaces a 1953 tandem axle flatbed trailer.
- County has not lost money on canceled order as no payment was made.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward on consent.

6. Master Services Agreement (MSA) with Astound Internet Services for Marion County Sheriff's Office Very High Frequency (VHF) Radio Site

-Brian Nicholas

Summary of Presentation:

- Existing VHF radio system uses copper telephone line backhaul at two sites:
 - Focus is on the Aurora site.
- Aurora exchange requested for years that county vacates final copper circuit:
 - So, exchange can be decommissioned.
- To have good VHF radio system function backhaul must convert to Internet Protocol (IP).
- MSA with Astound Internet Services will provide IP backhaul:
 - Agreement is priced as five-year term.
 - Exceeds normal 3+1+1 internal procurement thresholds.
- VHF will be maintained as backup to 700 MHz system:
 - Particularly for backcountry coverage and as conventional overlay.
- If Internet service to this single site is interrupted, only VHF at that site is affected:
 - The 700 system will still provide primary coverage.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.
- Proceed without board session:
 - Total value is within existing procurement authority.
 - Subject to finance acknowledging the five-year term.

7. Marion County Radio Project New Radio Shelter Purchase Order (PO)

-Brian Nicholas

Summary of Presentation:

- Existing PO for seven prefabricated radio equipment shelters previously approved.
- During detailed design:
 - One planned site was eliminated.
 - Existing shelters at another site will now be reused.
- Actual shelters needed reduced from seven to five.
- Shelter One has been difficult to work with:
 - Non-committal on delivery.
 - General reliability concerns.
- All five units are in production and scheduled to begin arriving this month.
- To avoid risk of delivering extra shelters and expecting payment:
 - Deductive change order proposed to align PO with five shelters needed.
- Change order reduces contract value by more than \$100,000:
 - Triggering board approval requirements.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward on consent.

8. Marion County Radio Project SBA Communications Tower Lease

-Brian Nicholas

Summary of Presentation:

- At East View Lane radio site, shelter is owned by City of Silverton:
 - Under site use agreement already approved by the board.
- Tower at site is separately owned by SBA Communications:
 - County must lease antenna space.
- Proposed lease:
 - Base rate approximately \$2,200 per month:
 - Modest annual increase of about 2.5%.
 - Five-year term, with up to four additional five-year renewals:
 - Potential total of 25 years.
- Cost reflects increasing value of tower space:
 - Helps secure long-term capacity before rates rise further.
- Long-term plan is for county to own most towers and potentially lease space:
 - This site is a necessary exception.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

9. Oregon Maternal, Child & Adolescent Health (MCAH) Title V Priority Areas Discussion

-Ryan Matthews and Patty Vega

Summary of Presentation:

- Every five years state sets priorities for Title V MCAH funding under Local Public Health Authority contract.
- Seven available priority areas presented:
 - Postpartum care.
 - Housing.
 - Food sufficiency.
 - Adolescent mental health.
 - Person and family centered services.
 - Parent and caregiver support.
 - Safe and healthy environments.
- County must select three of seven:
 - Recommend aligning Community Health Improvement Plan (CHIP) and strategic plan:

- Person and family centered services and care:
 - Parent-Child Care (PC Care) coaching model for parents with kids under 10.
- Adolescent mental health:
 - Prevention team to:
 - Conduct connection planning workshops.
 - Sources of Strength (SOS) mental health and resiliency programs in schools.
 - Distribute Stress Less Kits to students.
- Postpartum care:
 - Early Childhood nursing and Addiction Treatment Services to:
 - Strengthen care coordination.
 - Improve referral pathways.
 - Access to Health Care CHIP work group:
 - Postpartum focus.
- SOS in several local schools currently:
 - Link with Career Technical Education Center (CTEC) in related curriculum.
- Noted Title V funding is relatively small – About \$126,000:
 - Require partnership focused strategies rather than new staffing.
- Stigma and bias training for staff who work with women who use substances:
 - Improve engagement and reduce shame that can prevent service utilization.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.
- Prepare presentation for board session.

10. Consider Proclamation for Mental Health Awareness Month May 2026

-Ryan Matthews

Summary of Presentation:

- May is nationally recognized as Mental Health Awareness Month.
- County has history of adopting an annual proclamation:
 - Staff requested continued board support for May 2026.
- Draft proclamation refers to an April date:
 - Staff proposed moving proclamation to early May.
- Valerie Gear, Community Outreach Chaplain with Young Men’s Christian Association (YMCA), to speak about:
 - Social connection programming.
 - Collaboration with county, including connection planning workshops.
- Important to emphasize:
 - Acceptable to seek help before situation escalates into full crisis.
 - Tools like 988 are appropriate even for people who need someone to talk to.
- Aligns with Sources of Strength’s focus on identifying support systems early.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

11. Removal of the Public Hearing Registration Form

-Gary White

Summary of Presentation:

- Remove from.
- Legal Counsel reviewed it.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

12. Legislative Update

-Alvin Klausen

Summary of Presentation:

- Letter of support for a grant application related to co-response team:
 - From Ryan Matthews and Salem Fire Chief David Gerboth
 - Potentially overlapping with county grant pursuits for similar services.
- Older Americans Month Proclamation:
 - Reference to upcoming 250th anniversary of the United States.
 - Role of older generations in passing down lessons and history.
 - Invite long-time older resident:
 - Possibly veteran or tribal leader, to speak during the proclamation.
- Public comment letter on Municipal Separate Sewer System (MS4) permits:
 - Technical feedback from staff.
 - Coordination with legal counsel on rulemaking changes and county concerns.
- Reviewed gubernatorial veto of HB 4177:
 - Public meeting/serial meeting bill.
 - Concern of restrictions on communications with constituents and potential classification as serial meetings.
 - Anticipate, regardless of veto, legislature will revisit issue in future session.

Board Direction:

- Grant support letter:
 - Additional details from partners:
 - Grant amount.
 - Duration.
 - Cost share.
 - Direct benefits to county programs.
- Older Americans Month Proclamation:
 - A focus on older Americans' contributions to Marion County.
 - Considered ideas such as:
 - Highlighting local historical figures:
 - Revolutionary War veteran buried in St. Paul.
 - Invite tribal representative to speak about elders' importance.
 - May 6th is already crowded with multiple proclamations.
 - Invite long time senior community member:
 - Ideally with military or historical background.
- For MS4 permits:
 - Submit public comment letter this week.
 - Incorporate technical and legal feedback.
- For HB 4177:
 - Maintain stance of no official position currently.

13. Board Session

- **April 15, 2026 – Agenda**
- **April 22, 2026 – Preview Agenda**
- **April 29, 2026**

-Commissioner Colm Willis

Summary of Presentation:

- Overview of Agenda.

Board Direction:

- Good to move forward.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

Commissioner Danielle Bethell

- N/A

Commissioner Kevin Cameron

- N/A

Commissioner Colm Willis

- N/A

Other

Adjourned – time: 10:19 a.m.

Minutes by: Mary Vityukova

Reviewed by: Gary L. White