



**MARION COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

Minutes

Tuesday, May 5, 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, and Danielle Bethell.

Board's Office: Chris Eppley, Matt Lawyer, Alvin Klausen, Jon Heynen, Jonathan Sanford, Toni Whitler, Kendall Hall and Trevor Lane.

Legal Counsel: Steve Elzinga, and Michelle Teed.

Business Services: Tamra Goettsch, and Kevin Dial.

Finance: Jeff White, and John Carlson.

Sheriff's Office: Nick Hunter, Jacob Ramsey, Matt Wikinson and Jason Bernard

Public Works: Brian Nicholas, Dennis Mansfield, Brian May, Lani Radtke, Andrew Johnson, Carl Lund, Brandon Reich, Cory Swartout and Scott Wilson.

Health and Human Services: Troy Greg, Samantha Andress and Debbie Wells.

IT: Gary Christofferson

Community and Economic Development: Kelli Weese, Sarah Coutley and Steve Dickey.

Commissioner Danielle Bethell called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Informational

1. Grant Agreement with Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) for All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) Grant Program

-Commander Jason Bernards

Summary of Presentation:

- Sheriff's Office grant award of \$194,792 from OPRD for an ATV position:
 - With 20% county match of \$48,698.
 - For total of \$243,490.
- Grant period is July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027.
- Match funding will come from \$50,000 in Bureau of Land Management (BLM) funds.
- Will move deputy in uncertain Title III-funded 100 fund position to grant position.
- Focus on ATV areas, particularly Crooked Finger and North Fork Road corridor.
- Structure preserves flexibility to use future Title III funds for additional position in area.
- Fully loaded cost is about \$288,000, more than grant total alone:
 - Salary, benefits, administrative, etc.
- No new ATV purchases are included:
 - Solely personnel position, using existing ATVs/Utility Terrain Vehicle (UTVs).

Board Direction:

- Approved to move on consent.

2. Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) Amendment #2 with the Oregon State Marine Board (OSMB) for Law Enforcement Service for Recreation Boating

-Commander Jason Bernards

Summary of Presentation:

- Additional funds of \$63,193.50 added back to last year's OSMB IGA.
- Restores earlier 30% funding reduction, bringing total IGA to \$397,588.50.
- Clarified that last year county did receive funds but at a 30% reduction:
 - Amendment restores that portion.
- Part of total reflects that county also picked up Polk County responsibilities:
 - Contributing to higher amount.
- Reduction and restoration tied to federal pass-through restrictions that were lifted.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move on consent.

3. Contract with Salem Health for Hospital Services for Adults in Custody (AIC)

-Commander Jacob Ramsey

Summary of Presentation:

- Amend existing hospital services contract with Salem Health that went stale in July of the prior year during negotiations.
- New arrangement provides 40% discount:
 - County pays 60% of billed medical services for AIC.
 - For July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026.
- Over \$1 million in outstanding invoices:
 - With 40% discount applied amount due is \$618,245.36.
- Extension is a one-year continuation of prior deal:
 - Aligning with prior executive session direction.
- Contract negotiations for periods after June 30, 2026, will require close monitoring.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward on consent.

4. IGA Amendment #2 with Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) for Rural Transportation System Plan (RTSP)

-Carl Lund

Summary of Presentation:

- Request to extend final completion date for RTSP project.
- Additional time needed to complete code and comprehensive plan amendments:
 - Required to finish the RTSP work.
- No substantive change in scope; the amendment is primarily a schedule extension.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

5. Contract Addendum with Circular Action Alliance (CAA), LLC for Contamination Reduction Funding

-Brian May

Summary of Presentation:

- Amendment to previously approved Contamination Funding Agreement with CAA.
- Detailed reimbursement structure for single family contamination reduction activities:
 - In line with criteria A, B, and C:
 - How will the county implement contamination reduction.

- How public will be informed.
 - How repeat contaminators will be addressed/penalized.
- Proposed activities total about \$403,000 of the available \$501,000.
- Program deadline is June 30th, creating time pressure:
 - Haulers prepared to begin once addendum approved.
- Operational flow:
 - Haulers conduct work and incur costs.
 - Haulers submit invoices to the county.
 - County submits those invoices to CAA for reimbursement.
 - County then reimburses haulers.
- Internal county mechanism to pay haulers after reimbursement being finalized:
 - Does not prevent moving forward on the addendum.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward on consent.

6. Public Works Pre-Authorizations:

- a. Contract Extension with Albina Asphalt for Chip Seal Services – Scott Wilson
- b. Contract with Point Environmental for Fish Salvage Operations – Scott Wilson
- c. Request for Proposal (RFP) for Construction Inspection Services for Scott Mills Road, Bridge Replacement – Ryan Crowther
- d. Radio Technology Services – Brian Nicholas
- e. Silverton Comprehensive Plan Designation Change at 279 Monson Road NE – John Speckman
- f.

Summary of Presentation:

- a. One-year extension of existing contract with Albina Asphalt:
 - Ensure emulsified asphalt supply for 2026 chip seal season.
- b. One-year, on-call contract (not to exceed \$10,000) with Point Environmental:
 - Provide fish salvage and regulatory compliance support for in-water work.
- c. Authorization to issue RFP for consultants:
 - About \$400,000–\$500,000.
 - Construction inspection, environmental compliance, and surveying.
- d. Extend and increase Radio Technology Services personal services contract:
 - Project management and technical support by radio system deployment and integration.
- e. Expedited county action:
 - Mirror Silverton’s change from Industrial to Potential Residential.
 - On 3.72-acre parcel so manufactured home for aging parents can be placed.

Board Direction:

- a. Proceed.
- b. Proceed.
- c. Proceed.
- d. Proceed.
- e. Proceed.

7. Local Alcohol & Drug Planning Committee (LADPC) Recovery Picnic

-Carol Heard

Summary of Presentation:

- Proposal to hold summer recovery picnic hosted by the LADPC:
 - Build on successful prior event.
- Riverfront Park, July 24th in the North Meadow/Pavilion from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.
- Last year’s event had 118 attendees, including partners, clients, and families:

- Barbecue lunch, back-to-school resources, and activities like face painting.
- Estimated budget for this year's event is up to \$3,000:
 - Last year was just under \$2,200.
- Behavioral Health Resource Network (BHRN) of Health and Human Services (HHS) funding.
- Event is distinct from HHS staff summer picnic:
 - Held in June at the fairgrounds.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

8. Marion County Jail Wi-Fi Project

-Steve Brooks

Summary or Presentation:

- Contract for services with vendor to design and install Wi Fi throughout county jail.
- Includes 92 wireless access points and related infrastructure to enable use of Pocket Jail Management System (JMS)/Records Management System (RMS) application for jail operations.
- Pocket JMS is mobile extension of JMS:
 - Allows staff to enter and access data away from fixed desks.
- Contract amount is approximately \$236,000.
- Contract expiration is September 30th:
 - Vendor believes project can be completed but noted supply chain risks:
 - Lead times for applications may be around 100 days.
 - Vendors are only honoring quotes for two weeks due to volatility.
- Security considerations:
 - Must meet background check requirements and follow jail safety protocols.
 - Access to units will be limited and controlled:
 - Units may be shut down as needed during work.
 - Staff Wi-Fi and AIC Wi-Fi will use separate networks for security.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.

9. Tourism Grant Program Resolution

-Sarah Coutley

Summary of Presentation:

- April 21st work session direction follow-up:
 - Revise Tourism Grant Program framework.
- Removes direct reference to specific program structure:
 - Allows future program adjustments without modifying resolution itself.
 - Aligns program so funding always begins in July:
 - Simplifies administration and alignment with fiscal year.
- Program structure clarifications:
 - Three-year grants for Salem Metro and North Marion regions.
 - Additional \$50,000 one-year grant pool for other applicants:
 - Annually re-competed.
- Revised resolution is coordinated with legal counsel and ready to move forward.

Board Direction:

- Approved to move forward.
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10. Proclamation for May 13, 2026, Facilities Management Day

-Tamra Goettsch & Kevin Dial

Summary of Presentation:

- Proclamation recognizing Facilities Management Day on May 13, 2026.
- Honor facilities management and related staff across county:
 - Encourage other organizations to recognize similar teams:
 - Including custodial and other building services.
- Planned observance includes:
 - Invitation for Facilities staff to attend May 13th board session.
 - Breakfast event for facilities team in Salem Conference Room.
- Legal review of proclamation has been completed with minor edits.

Board Direction

- Approved to move forward.

11. Legislative Update

-Alvin Klausen

Summary of Presentation:

- Federal Scholarship Tax Credit Support Letter:
 - Request for Governor to opt-in the state of Oregon.
 - Letter includes Marion County specific needs.
- Federal Land Access Program (FLAP) Grant Applications:
 - Wintel Road:
 - Replacing a 1960 timber bridge.
 - On route to Ankeny National Wildlife Refuge.
 - North Fork Slide Mitigation.
- National Gold Star Awareness Month Proclamation:
 - During the month of May.

Board Direction:

- Federal Scholarship Tax Credit Support Letter:
 - Send letter to Governor.
- FLAP Grant Applications:
 - Submit applications.
- National Gold Star Awareness Month Proclamation:
 - Draft proclamation.

12. Board Session

- **May 6, 2026 – Agenda**
- **May 13, 2026 – Agenda**
- **May 20, 2026 – Agenda**

-Commissioner Colm Willis

Summary of Presentation:

- Overview of Agenda.

Board Direction:

- Good to move forward.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS and UPDATE

Commissioner Danielle Bethell

- Canyon Weekly reporting Detroit Marina project will be completed this fall:
 - Citing March Work Session.
 - Concern of premature/inconsistent messaging.

- Follow-up with Community and Economic Development department.
- Commissioner Cameron to secure Congressionally Directed Spending (CDS) for the radio Project:
 - Only the board should be doing this type of work
- Asking Representative Andrea Salinas for Horizon House funding.

Commissioner Kevin Cameron

- N/A

Commissioner Colm Willis

- N/A

Other

Radio Project/Detroit Marina American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funding Swap

-Commissioner Daniell Bethell

Summary of Presentation:

- Move ARPA economic development dollars assigned to Detroit Marina project to radio project.
- Backfill Detroit Marina with non-ARPA funds previously allocated to radio:
 - Marina is no longer constrained by ARPA timelines.
- ARPA/general fund swap is underway and can be executed without jeopardizing radio timelines.
- Radio ARPA funds are expected to be fully expended on time.

Board Direction:

- Good with update.

Calendars

-Matt Lawyer

Summary of Presentation:

- Commissioners have calendars printed.
- Update staff when they are out during the summer for scheduling purposes.

Board Direction:

- Good with update.

Adjourned – time: 10:33 a.m.

Minutes by: Mary Vityukova

Reviewed by: Gary L. White