

MARION COUNTY PUBLIC SAFETY COORDINATING COUNCIL (MCPSCC)

Full Council Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2025, 4:00 p.m.

Commissioners Boardroom, Courthouse Square, Salem, Oregon

MCPSCC: Colm Willis, Nick Hunter, Mike Runyon, Don Frederickson, Trevor Womack, David Gerboth, Ryan Matthews, James Edmonds, Paige Clarkson, Mike Hartford, Carlos Texidor Maldonado, Frank Longergan, Olcott Thompson, Troy Gregg, Garland King, Ashley Carson, Jay Bergmann, Josh Lair, Debbie Aguilar, Pete McCallum, Christina McCollum, Chris Baldrige, Soraida Cross, and Jamison Goetz.

Guests: Trevor Lane, and Gary White.

Commissioner Colm Willis called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE (INFORMATION/ACTION)

-Commissioner Colm Willis

Announcements

- None.

New Members:

- Ashley Carson.
- Chief David Gerboth.
- Carlos Texidor Maldonado.

Returning Member:

- Pastor Garland King.

2. APPROVE JANUARY 7, 2025, MCPSCC MEETING MINUTES

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the January 7, 2025, MCPSCC meeting minutes. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

3. NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-CHAIR SHERIFF NICK HUNTER

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the nomination of Sheriff Nick Hunter by the executive council for Vice-Chair. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

4. HB4002 UPDATE

-Sheriff Nick Hunter, District Attorney Paige Clarkson, and Ryan Matthews

Summary of presentation:

- Paige Clarkson (RESTORE Court):
 - Program focuses on non-violent offenders with restitution.
 - Total referrals: 81.
 - Potential participants: 47.
 - Criteria include:

- Non-person crimes.
 - Clear substance use disorder connection.
 - Potential for rehabilitation.
- Ryan Matthews (Treatment Engagement):
 - RESTORE Court referrals: 31.
 - Active treatment participants: 20.
 - Deflection hotline referrals: 14.
 - Treatment engagement: 7 individuals.
 - Highlighted growing program effectiveness.

5. YOUTH VIOLENCE UPDATE & JUVENILE CRIME PREVENTION PLAN

-Troy Gregg

Summary of presentation:

- Increasing gang activity observed.
- Juvenile detention at highest capacity in 8 years.
- Key concerns:
 - Youth involvement in robberies.
 - Guns on school campuses.
 - Gang-related incidents.
- Family Support Program highlights:
 - Targets youth ages 9-13.
 - 3 family support specialists.
 - Aims to serve 168 youth annually.
 - Focuses on early intervention.

6. CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADVISORY COUNCIL (CJAC) *(Informational)*

Summary of presentation:

-Judge Prall

- Grant Treatment Court Presentation:
 - Five active treatment courts:
 - Family Treatment Court.
 - Juvenile Treatment Court.
 - Mental Health Treatment Court.
 - Veterans Treatment Court.
 - Adult Treatment Court.
 - Participant demographics analyzed.
 - Graduation rates reviewed.
 - Discussed grant support needs.

7. JUSTICE REINVESTMENT GRANT APPLICATION

-Commander Hartford

Summary of presentation:

- Programs to reduce recidivism.
- Key achievements:
 - 5,400 months of prison usage avoided.

- 72% reduction in prison use.
- 24% drop in three-year recidivism rate.
- Programs include:
 - Prison diversion.
 - Resource center.
 - Specialty court support.
 - Student opportunity programs.

MOTION: A motion was made to approve the Justice Reinvestment Grant Application. Seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

8. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY STANDARDS AND TRAINING (DPSST) OVERSIGHT

-Steve Webster

Summary of presentation:

- Oregon State Police (OSP) identified in two problematic areas:
 - Stop Outcome Analysis.
 - Search Findings Category.
- Experienced statistically significant disparities in stops and arrests.
 - Latino Individuals.
 - Native American individuals.
 - Black individuals.
- Root Causes of Data Issues:
 - Heavy involvement in downtown Portland.
 - Significantly more pedestrian stops than typical for OSP operations.
- Data Collection Errors:
 - “Unknown” option incorrectly used.
 - Troopers required to select race by personal perception.
- Corrective Actions Implemented:
 - Comprehensive internal memo issued.
 - Mandatory online stop program training for all troopers.
- Transparency Requirement:
 - DPSST must report intervention details to Local Public Safety Coordinating Council.
- Specific reporting required for OSP as their headquarters are in Marion County.
- Outcome Goal:
 - Improve data accuracy.
 - Reduce demographic disparities in policing practices.
 - Enhance overall transparency in law enforcement data collection.

9. OPEN DISCUSSION 2025 GOALS & PROJECTS

-Commissioner Colm Willis

Summary of presentation:

- Extensive dialogue on youth violence
- Key themes:
 - Need for community collaboration.

- Importance of early intervention.
 - Mentoring program potential.
 - Addressing root causes of youth crime.
- Suggestions for future action:
 - Mapping existing programs.
 - Creating coordination mechanisms.
 - Expanding community support networks.
- Recommendations for Next Steps:
 - Develop comprehensive youth intervention strategy.
 - Explore existing mentoring programs.
 - Enhance community-based support systems.

Commissioner Willis adjourned the meeting.