



BOARD ORDERS AND MINUTES

IN THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON

FOR THE COUNTY OF YAMHILL

SITTING FOR THE TRANSACTION OF COUNTY BUSINESS

THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF YAMHILL COUNTY (“the Board”) sat for the transaction of county business in combined session on October 24, 2024, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 32 of the Yamhill County courthouse and in a virtual meeting via Zoom, Commissioners Lindsay Berschauer, Kit Johnston, and Mary Starrett being present.

Also present were Ken Huffer, County Administrator; Christian Boenisch, County Counsel; Gioia Goodrum, Economic Development; Lindsey Manfrin, HHS Director; Sheriff Sam Elliott; Captain Mike Browne and Carolina Rook, BOC Staff. Nohely Barajas-Montalvo participated via Zoom.

Guests: Elise Yarnell Hollamon, Tony Buckner, David “Bubba” King, John Olson, Beth Keyser, Jeri Turgesen and Amy Stephens. Todd Godfrey L3099, Adam Garvin, Tabitha Albetter, Jaime Turley, Lee Shrepel and Craig Markham participated via Zoom.

*Welcome! Thank you for attending today's meeting. Public participation is encouraged. If you wish to address the Commissioners on any item not on the agenda, you may do so as part of the public comment period at the beginning of the meeting. If you desire to speak on any item, please raise your hand to be recognized after the Chair announces the agenda item. Please fill out a public comment card to indicate your intent to speak. NEW – Public participation also includes the ability to attend Formal Session via Zoom. For attendees that are attending the meeting via Zoom, the Chair will ask if any Zoom attendees wish to provide public comment in same manner as provided above. At that time, attendees will be asked to use the “raise hand” function in Zoom and staff will unmute the participant. Meetings will also continue to be available for view via a live stream on the Commissioners’ You Tube channel. Written public comments may be submitted via email at [bocinfo@yamhillcounty.gov](mailto:bocinfo@yamhillcounty.gov).*

- A. CALL TO ORDER** Commissioner Berschauer called to order at 10:01 a.m.
- B. FLAG SALUTE**
- C. CALENDAR SESSION:** This time is reserved for the review of the commissioner’s joint schedule (if needed).

The Commissioners reviewed the joint schedule for the week of October 28 through November 3, 2024. No other county business was discussed.

**D. PUBLIC COMMENT:** This time is reserved for public comment on any topic other than: 1) agenda items, 2) A quasi-judicial land use matter, or 3) a topic scheduled for public hearing. The Chair may limit the length of individual comments.

Commissioner Berschauer acknowledged public comments received via email regarding funding the Newberg School Based Health Centers.

**E. DEPARTMENT UPDATE:**

1. Economic Development – Gioia Goodrum

Gioia Goodrum outlined the goals of the department to retain, expand and recruit businesses. Ms. Goodrum stated that she attended several community meetings to stay informed on the efforts of different entities within the County. She outlined some of the resources offered to the community used to recruit businesses to the County and mentioned the launch of an improved revolving loan fund. She stated that she oversaw how the businesses that received American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funding were utilizing the funds by reviewing reports submitted by each business. She described a newsletter that she had created to announce grant opportunities and other helpful resources for anyone in the County to access. She was prioritizing childcare programs, funding for public school field trips, and grants for County departments. Commissioner Berschauer inquired about whether United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) grants could be used for the creation of a detox center to which Ms. Goodrum stated she would confirm whether USDA grants were available for that purpose.

**F. WORK SESSION:** This time is reserved for topics of discussion scheduled for the Commissioners in advance. If a work session is not needed, the balance of the meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

1. Work Session – None.

**G. CONSENT AGENDA:**

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of the consent agenda. The motion passed, Commissioners Berschauer, Johnston, and Starrett voting aye.

Minutes

1. **B.O. 24-315** - a. August 1, 2024; Formal Session;
- B.O. 24-316** - b. August 8, 2024; Formal Session;
- B.O. 24-317** - c. August 15, 2024; Formal Session; and
- B.O. 24-318** - d. August 22, 2024; Formal Session;

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**H. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. **B.O. 24-319** - Consideration of approval of Amendment #11 to Agreement #180033 between Yamhill County and the Oregon Health Authority for Public Health Services (BO 23-260) adding funding in the amount of \$103,189.00. #HHS24013IGA [*Continued from October 17, 2024.*]

Lindsey Manfrin addressed questions from the October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Board of Commissioners formal session regarding school policy and parental notification of students in crisis. She clarified that the proposed amendment would add funding for additional School Based

Mental Health (SBMH) services and that the funding would be granted biannually thereafter. Ms. Manfrin clarified that the proposed contract did not change any of the currently provided services. Ms. Manfrin stated that depending on how the school district wanted to utilize the proposed funding, the department was prepared to provide the services immediately upon approval. Healthcare providers were required to abide by Oregon state statute, but Ms. Manfrin stated that she couldn't confirm how the school district was regulated. There were legal requirements for mental health providers to notify parents at certain points of service to minors in Oregon. In some circumstances however, parental notification would not occur if there were an open abuse case. Ms. Manfrin explained that the County had a role in responding to a death by suicide of a minor whether the deceased were a Health and Human Services (HHS) client or not. The County also provided immediate services along with law enforcement, as well as follow up, to any family effected by an attempt of suicide, death by suicide or overdose such as grief counseling. The HHS Child Fatality Review Board (CFRB) conducted a thorough research process after these incidents to determine how their services could be adjusted to be more effective, and they had begun doing a psychological autopsy after deaths by suicide specifically. The CFRB was a state statute regulated by the District Attorney's office.

Elise Yarnell Hollamon of Providence School Based Health Services, and Tony Buckner, school psychologist for Newberg-Dundee School District referred to six cases of deaths by suicide in 2016 after which the mental health service providers in the school district and HHS collaborated to create a plan to better respond to minors expressing suicidal ideation. According to Mr. Buckner, parental notification was one of the main goals of the school district. When notified, the employee would first respond by seeking additional involvement from parents and emergency services.

Amy Stephens explained that professional development was provided to the mental health employees within the school district.

Doctor Jeri Turgesen stated that the school district was developing risk assessment protocols to ensure support and follow ups were provided to every child. She stated that all employees encountering children were educated about how to treat any minor expressing suicidal ideation and that they were attempting to normalize communication regarding mental health. Community forums and open hearings had been conducted for any family in the Newberg area to attend and have access to services and resources. Parents could require their children to seek care from SBMH services, and if a child were to seek care without a parental opt-in form, the employee receiving them was to ask whether the parents could be notified. She confirmed that neither gender transitional services nor prenatal services were provided within the school district. She reported that Newberg school-based crisis services had one hundred percent parental involvement for children receiving care for suicide ideology as of October 2024. House Bill (HB) 3139 required medical providers to disclose information to parents of minors expressing suicidal ideation, but the bill did not include school personnel. The law was also based on individual practitioners' judgement. Lindsey Manfrin clarified that there were other statutes and bills that applied to school personnel regarding the matter. She stated that when parental engagement is not possible, Child Protective Services would be contacted instead.

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of item H1. The motion passed, Commissioners Berschauer, Johnston, and Starrett voting aye.

**I. OTHER BUSINESS** (Add-ons and non-consent items):

1. Consideration of approval of Amendment #2 to an agreement between Yamhill County and MedTrust, LLC. dba MedHealth (B.O. 23-315) for correctional healthcare services adding funding in the amount of \$6,718.04 and extending terms through December 31, 2024. **[Add-on].**

Sheriff Sam Elliott stated that the extension was to allow more time to scrutinize the contract. Increases to the insurance rates were not something that could be negotiated. The Sheriff stated that the proposed cost increase would fit into the departments current budget.

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of item I1. The motion passed, Commissioners Berschauer, Johnston, and Starrett voting aye.

**J. PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None.

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<https://www.yamhillcounty.gov/1190/Public-Hearing-Notices>

**K. ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

1. For information on county advisory committee vacancies, please refer to the county's website, <https://www.yamhillcounty.gov/765/Boards-and-Committees>, or call the Board of Commissioners' office at 503-434-7501 or 503-554-7801 (toll-free from Newberg).

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3. Electronic versions of all meeting agendas and meeting information packets can be found at the county's website: <https://www.yamhillcounty.gov/AgendaCenter>

Following Commissioner announcements, the meeting adjourned at 11:55 p.m.

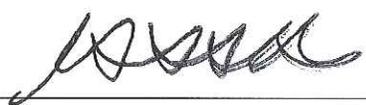
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