

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 June 5, 2025, at 10:00 a.m. in Room 32 of the Yamhill County courthouse, and in a virtual meeting via Zoom, Commissioners Kit Johnston, Mary Starrett, and David “Bubba” King being present.

Also present were Ken Huffer, County Administrator; Kevin Perkins, Deputy County Administrator; Christian Boenisch, County Counsel; Mark Lago, Public Works Director; Ashley Watkins, Solid Waste Director; Paulette Alexandria, Treasurer; Jessica Andre, BOC Staff. Nohely Barajas-Montalvo, Legal Assistant; and Greg Haffner, Engineer participated via Zoom.

Guests: John Olson, Mike Morris, Dan Blue, Chris Chenoweth, Ryan Webb. Marvin Bernards and Lee Schrepel 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 by 5:00 p.m. Wednesday.*

A. CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Johnston called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

B. FLAG SALUTE

C. CALENDAR SESSION: This time is reserved for the review of the commissioners’ joint schedule (if needed).

The Commissioners reviewed the joint schedule for the week of June 9 through June 15, 2025. No other county business was discussed.

D. PUBLIC COMMENT: This time period 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.

No public comments were received.

E. DEPARTMENT UPDATES:

1. Public Works - Mark Lago.

Mark Lago updated the Commissioners on the status of current projects. He stated that Capital Improvement projects in partnership with Marion County would begin after September 2025. The department planned to replace five wooden beams on local bridges with steel beams to extend the life by at least 75 years. Public Works had received federal funding for timber-construction bridges and construction would begin in coordination with Oregon Department of Transportation in 2027.

2. Road Improvement Advisory Committee Annual Report – Ryan Webb.

Ryan Webb introduced himself as the Engineering and Planning Director for the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and stated that he joined RIAC two years ago. He explained projects such as inventorying all 8,302 culverts in 2024. In partnership with George Fox University, RIAC selected summer interns to work with the Public Works department. He highlighted that the committee was well versed with individuals from all backgrounds.

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: None.

H. OLD BUSINESS: None.

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

1. **B.O. 25-146** - Consideration of approval to authorize Amendment # 1 to Agreement # 73000-00016513 between Yamhill County and the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) (B.O. 23-185) to award a Right of Way (R.O.W.) and construction of Old Railroad Grade Road Bridge Replacement (BR 11526) over North Yamhill River in the amount of \$588,615. Oracle #PW25001IGA.

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

2. **B.O. 25-147** - Consideration of approval of amendment #17 to Agreement #180033 between Yamhill County and the Oregon Health Authority for Public Health Services (B.O. 23-260) removing \$88,060.00 in funding. Oracle #HHS24013IGA.

Commissioner Starrett clarified that Oregon Health Authority (OHA) accounting had decreased opioid settlement prevention and recovery funding and increased school-based funding and after all funds had been restructured, the County gained \$21,000.

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of item I2. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King voting aye.

3. **B.O. 25-148** - Consideration of approval of Amendment #2 between Yamhill County and Barclay Pennington (B.O. 22-224) to increase the per bed cost from \$400.00 to \$450.00 per month for eight beds, for a total of \$3,600.00 per month to provide transitional housing of homeless adults on supervision effective July 1, 2025. Oracle #PP25002GS.

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of item I3. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King voting aye.

4. **B.O. 25-149** - Consideration of approval of amendment #1 to Agreement #180909 between Yamhill County Health and Human Services and the Oregon Department of Human Services (B.O. # 23-313) extending the Ticket to Work and Self-Sufficiency Program agreement through June 30, 2026. Oracle #HHS24005IGA.

Commissioner Starrett explained that the agreement was an incentive program to encourage individuals to rejoin the work force.

Commissioner Starrett moved approval of item I4. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King voting aye.

5. **B.O. 25-150** - Consideration of approval to appoint Darren Harr, Professional Land Surveyor (PLS), as Yamhill County Surveyor, effective June 5, 2025.

Commissioner Johnston moved approval of item I5. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King voting aye.

6. **B.O. 25-151** - Consideration of approval of a proposed Customer Price Index (CPI) rate increase of 2.10% as recommended by Yamhill County Solid Waste Department and Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) for Recology Western Oregon, effective July 1, 2025.

Commissioner Johnston moved approval of item I6. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King voting aye.

7. **B.O. 25-152** - Consideration of approval of a Board Order and Resolution 25-06-05-01 in the matter of the adoption of the Yamhill County Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026; Setting appropriations and levying taxes.

Ken Huffer stated that the changes that were approved by the Board on May 29, 2025 were included in this version of the budget.

Commissioner Johnston moved approval of item I7. The motion passed, Commissioners Johnston, Starrett, and King 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).

2. For questions regarding accessibility or to request an accommodation contact the Board of Commissioners' office at (503)-434-7501 or (503)-554-7801 (toll-free from Newberg) or email at bocinfo@yamhillcounty.gov

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 10:41 a.m.

Bailey Barnhart
Secretary

YAMHILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



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Commissioner

MARY STARRETT



Commissioner

DAVID "BUBBA" KING