

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON
Wednesday, July 9, 2025, 1:00 p.m.
Hybrid form of the John Gumm Building and Civic Center

WORK SESSION

Present: Commissioner Kellie Jo Smith, Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Casey Garrett, Sarah Hanson, County Counsel, Jacyn Normine, Administrator.

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Smith called this meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

APPROVE AGENDA

- Commissioner Garrett moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Magruder seconded. **Vote:** KJS/MM/CG all in favor. Approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Holly Miller, IT Director, is here to give an update on Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (BEAD) grant program changes and application challenges.
2. Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel, is here to review a proposed ordinance 2025-3, In the Matter of Establishing a Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Loan Program. This will be brought back to the consent agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Mike Russell, Public Works Director,
 - a) ORS 192.660(2)(e), to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.
2. Jaime Aanensen, Public Health Director,
 - a) ORS 192.660(2)(e), to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to negotiate real property transactions.

Coming out of the executive session with no action taken.

BOARD ADMINISTRATOR DISCUSSION

- Kathy will be out at the Fair Grounds till the end of the fair.
- Peabody retirement party is this Friday.
- RDPO is holding a meeting/lunch here at John Gumm on the 29th, and Jacyn will let them know that Margaret will attend.
- Commissioner Garrett is leaving early in the morning to go to a conference and will be back for next week's meeting.
- Next week's work session is canceled because you will all be at the fair.
- On the 23rd, Commissioner Magruder and Commissioner Smith will be leaving for a meeting, so Jacyn will try to cancel that work session if possible.

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BOARD DISCUSSION

- Commissioner Garrett has been talking to Betsy Johnson regarding Fish Hawk Lake. He will have an update soon.
- Commissioner Smith would like to discuss a different way to do evaluations.

ADJOURN

With nothing further to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 1:31 pm.

The recording of this meeting is posted at www.columbiacountyor.gov/meetings

The next regular scheduled meeting is on July 23, 2025.

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By: _____
Kellie Jo Smith, Chair

By: _____
Casey Garrett, Commissioner

By: _____
Jacyn Normine, Board Office Administrator

By: _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner