

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
FOR COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON
Wednesday, May 20, 2026, 1:00 p.m.
Hybrid from the
John Gumm Building and Civic Center in
St. Helens, Oregon

WORK SESSION

Present: Commissioner Kellie Jo Smith, Commissioner Margaret Magruder, Commissioner Casey Garrett, Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel, and 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 as presented. Commissioner Magruder seconded. **Vote:** KJS, MM, & CG in favor. Approved.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. Cal Portland, Robert Hostettler, Aggregate Operations Manager and Plant Manager, is here regarding a county noise ordinance discussion. After the discussion, the Board asked staff to work on changing the noise ordinance.
2. Madison Riethman, Assistant Public Health Director, and Carrie Garcia, Human Resources Director, are here to follow up on the request to open recruitment for a grant-funded health promotion specialist, tobacco prevention and education position, and a grant-funded health promotion specialist, vulnerable populations position. After discussion, Commissioner Magruder moved to open recruitment for the Grant-Funded Health Promotion Specialist, Tobacco Prevention and Education Position, and the Grant-Funded Health Promotion Specialist, Vulnerable Populations Position. Commissioner Smith seconded. Commissioner Garrett nay. The motion carried. **Vote:** KJS, MM in favor. Approved.
3. Holly Miller, IT Director, is here with a broadband update. Holly will be coming back on May 27th with a financial model, a business plan, and a location map for further discussion.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board recessed the regular scheduled meeting to enter an executive session. Pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(f), to consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection, Ed McGlone, Assistant County Counsel.

Coming out of the executive session with no action taken.

ADMINISTRATOR BOARD MATTERS

- Les Watters from the museum came in today and is asking to use the space on the first floor to put cabinets together. The Board directed Jacyn to allow Les to use this space.
- City/County dinner is coming up, and Commissioner Magruder will be out of town; Commissioner Garrett and Commissioner Smith will attend.
- Staff asked Counsel to update the John Gumm policy to include non-profits and local government agencies.
- Contracts need to be drafted for the Business Alliance and the 250 Anniversary event in June.

BOARD ROUNDTABLE


None

ADJOURN

With nothing further to come before this Board, the meeting adjourned at 4:08 pm.
The recording of this meeting is posted at www.columbiacountyor.gov/meetings


The next regular scheduled meeting is on May 28, 2026.

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By:  _____
Kellie Jo Smith, Chair

By:  _____
Casey Garrett, Commissioner

By:  _____
Jacyn Normine, Administrator,

By:  _____
Margaret Magruder, Commissioner