

MEETING SUMMARY
BENTON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, September 5, 2023
9:00 a.m.

Please note: this summary is not the formal meeting record and does not replace regular Board Meeting minutes.

- 1. Opening:**
 - 1. Call to Order**
 - 2. Introductions**
 - 3. Announcements**

No announcements were made.

- 2. Review and Approve Agenda**

No changes were made to the agenda.

- 3. Comments from the Public**

Please see meeting minutes for full details.

Shawn Collins, Unity Shelter Executive Director, updated the Board on Unity Shelter's operations and funding needs.

Debbie Palmer, resident, described Coffin Butte Landfill as a liability rather than an asset to Benton County.

Ken Eklund, resident, Chair of the Disposal Site Advisory Committee, asked the Board not to approve the draft Request for Proposals for the Sustainable Materials Management Plan due to two apparent errors in the proposal.

- 4. Departmental Requests**

- 4.1 Capital Improvement Program and American Rescue Plan Act Funds**

Discussion – *Rick Crager, Interim County Administrator; Gary Stockhoff, Paul Wallsinger, Public Works; Sheriff Jef Van Arsdall, Bryan Lee, Sheriff's Office; Damien Sands, April Holland, Health; Debbie Sessions, Financial Services*

MOTION: Augerot moved to allocate \$4,802,102 of current unallocated resources from the 2023-25 budget to be allocated as follows: \$1,752,102 to the Capital Improvement Program to support the recommendation of the CIP Committee; an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 to provide the gap funding necessary to construct a new Emergency Operation Center on the North Site; \$200,000 to support the ongoing effort of providing a warming and cooling center for the homeless; and \$350,000 for a roof replacement for the historic courthouse. Wyse seconded the motion, which **carried 3-0.**

- 5. Work Session**

- 5.1 Update from Corvallis-Benton County Economic Development Office** – *Jerry Sorte, Christopher Jacobs; Corvallis-Benton County Economic Development Office*

Discussion only.

6. Consent Calendar

- 6.1 Appointment to the Corvallis-Benton Economic Development Coalition, Order D2023-069: Todd Nystrom
- 6.2 Approval of the August 15, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
- 6.3 Approval of the August 1, 2023 Board Meeting Minutes
- 6.4 Approval of the June 27, 2023 Planning Commission Meeting Minutes
- 6.5 Approval of the July 19, 2022 Special Board Meeting Minutes

MOTION: Augerot moved to approve the Consent Calendar of September 5, 2023. Wyse seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.

7. Proclamations

- 7.1 In the Matter of Proclaiming September as National Preparedness Month, Proclamation #P2023-014 – *Bryan Lee, Sheriff's Office*

Lee read the proclamation aloud.

MOTION: Augerot moved to proclaim September as National Preparedness Month in Benton County, Proclamation #P2023-014. Wyse seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.

- 7.2 In the Matter of Proclaiming September 17, 2023, as Constitution Day in Benton County, Proclamation #P2023-015 – *Board Chair Pat Malone*

Malone read the proclamation aloud.

MOTION: Wyse moved to declare September 17, 2023 as Constitution Day in Benton County. Augerot seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.

8. Public Hearing

- PH1 In the Matter of a Public Hearing Regarding the Vacation of a Portion of North 20th Place, County Road No. 26632, Resolution #2023-070 – *Joe Mardis, Public Works*

Public Comment

Written comments from Philomath residents Genece Cupp, Kyle Cupp, and Brent Kasemen were entered into the record. The comments urged the Board not to approve this item due to concerns about increased traffic.

MOTION: Wyse moved, pursuant to ORS 368.326 to 368.341, to vacate a portion of North 20th Place, County Road #26632 as described in Order #D2023-070. Augerot seconded the motion, which carried 3-0.

PH2 In the Matter of Amending the Benton County Comprehensive Plan and Zoning Map, Regarding the Adair Village Urban Growth Boundary, Ordinance 2023-0320 – Pat Depa, Community Development; Pat Hare, Adair Village City Administrator

Public Comment

No comment was provided.

MOTION: Augerot moved that the Board of County Commissioners direct staff to prepare an Ordinance to accept the County PC’s recommendation to approve the comprehensive plan amendment and zoning map amendment proposed in legislative file LU-23-029, with the specifications in the packet. Wyse seconded the motion. Wyse asked if it was necessary to add the suggested example ‘inclusion of the 0.12 acres’. Counsel replied no, that is included in packet. The motion **carried, 3-0.**

9. New Business

**9.1 Letter of Support for Alsea Community Effort and Hope Grange –
Commissioner Augerot**

MOTION: Augerot moved to agree to the letter of support for Alsea Community Effort to fund the project to be submitted to the T-Mobile Hometown Grants program. Wyse seconded the motion, which **carried 3-0.**

**9.2 Recognition of Service: Pat Depa, Community Development – Board of
Commissioners**

Discussion only.

10. Old Business

**10.1 Sustainable Materials Management Plan: Final Draft Request for Proposals (RFP) and Recommended Next Steps – Darren Nichols, Community
Development**

MOTION 1: Augerot moved to accept the final draft request for proposals and direct staff to issue the request for proposals broadly with the intent to invite responses from national and international qualified firms and teams. Wyse seconded the motion, which **carried, 3-0.**

MOTION 2: Augerot moved to accept the proposed committee structure and direct staff to prepare and present to the Board of Commissioners a list of proposed ad hoc committee members consistent with the proposed structure. Wyse seconded the motion, which **carried, 3-0.**

MOTION 3: Wyse moved to accept the ad hoc sustainable materials management committee charge and direct staff to draft for Board approval revised DSAC bylaws consistent with the ad hoc sustainable materials management committee charge and Oregon Revised Statute 459.325. Wyse further moved to direct staff to schedule monthly DSAC meetings and create meeting agendas to fulfill Benton

County's statutory responsibilities in October, November, and December 2023.
Augerot seconded the motion, which **carried, 3-0.**

MOTION 4: Wyse moved to accept the listening session concept and direct staff to select a facilitator and begin planning the event. Malone seconded the motion, which **carried 2-0.** (Augerot was absent at that time.)

11. Other

No other business was discussed.