

**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 28, 2023**

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Gordon declared the Tuesday meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners in session and led the Board and attending audience in the Pledge of Allegiance. Commissioner Pope and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.

**2. COMMENTS (for items not on this agenda):**

None.

**3. MINUTES:**      **COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE  
SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF March 14, 2023**

**MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.**

**4. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROCLAMATION:**

Abby Warren, Family & Community Outreach, and Bonnie Dryer, CASA Polk County updated the Board with everything that is happening in the month of April for Child Abuse Prevention Month. They also gave an update to the programs they are offering to be involved in the Polk County community. Commissioner Gordon read aloud Polk County Proclamation 23-02 which declares the month of April 2023 as Child Abuse Prevention Month.

**PROCLAMATION 23-02 APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD.**

**5. DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE UPDATE:**

Aaron Felton, Polk County District Attorney, provided an update for his department to the Board of Commissioners. DA Felton provided an update on their current staffing levels and shared some information about two new hires for his department. Next DA Felton discussed some legislation that is going through Salem right now. Commissioner Gordon thanked DA Felton for his hard work and his advocacy for the Public Safety Levy.

**6. NON-LISTED ITEMS** - (Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners considered the below identified non-listed items.)

Commissioner Pope presented a letter that he drafted that writes in support of HB 2199 and is asking for the Commissioners to sign it along with him. Commissioner Pope provided some background information on HB 2199 and explained why he supports this bill.

**APPROVED BY CONSENSUS OF THE BOARD.**

Commissioner Gordon adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.