

**TUESDAY WORK SESSION AGENDA**  
**March 26, 2024**  
**Courthouse Conference Room**

THE LOCATION OF THIS MEETING IS ADA ACCESSIBLE. PLEASE ADVISE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS (503-623-8173)  
AT LEAST 24 HOURS IN ADVANCE IF YOU NEED SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS TO ATTEND OR TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
MEETING VIRTUALLY.

**Approximate  
Time**

**AGENDA**

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| 9:00 a.m. | 1. CALL TO ORDER – PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE                             |
|           | 2. COMMENTS (for items not on this agenda and limited to 3 minutes) |
|           | 3. APPROVE MINUTES OF March 19, 2024                                |
|           | 4. CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION PROCLAMATION – Abby Warren                |
|           | 5. NON-LISTED ITEMS (Pursuant to ORS 192.640)                       |

Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. The meetings are held in the Board of Commissioners' conference room, 850 Main Street, Dallas, Oregon. Each meeting begins at 9:00 a.m., and is conducted according to a prepared agenda that lists the principal subjects anticipated to be considered. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, the Board of Commissioners may consider and take action on subjects that are not listed on the agenda. The Board also holds a department staff meeting at 9:00 a.m. on Every Monday in the Commissioners Conference Room at 850 main Street, Oregon.

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**APPEARANCE OF INTERESTED CITIZENS**

The Board sets aside a time at each regular meeting for comment by the public on subjects not appearing on the Agenda. Individuals may come forward and make any statement they wish, but not to exceed three (3) minutes in length, except as is required to give concise answers to questions from Board members. If the subject will require a lengthier presentation, or merits inclusion as an item on the Agenda of a future meeting, the Board shall schedule it accordingly.

**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**  
**TUESDAY MEETING MINUTES**  
**March 19, 2024**

1. At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope 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 Gordon and Commissioner Mordhorst were present.

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

None.

**3. MINUTES:**      **COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST  
SECONDED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF March 12, 2024**

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

**4. PRELIMINARY BUDGET UPDATE**

Commissioner Pope announced that due to a family emergency, Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer, will not be in today and that this agenda item will be rescheduled for another day.

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

None.

Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:01 a.m.

Minutes: Nicole Pineda  
Approved: March 26, 2024

**BEFORE THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS FOR  
POLK COUNTY, OREGON**

In the Matter of Proclaiming                    )  
The Month of April, 2024                        )  
As Child Abuse Prevention Month            )

**PROCLAMATION NO. 24-01**

**WHEREAS**, Oregon’s future prosperity depends on nurturing the health development of over 1 million children currently living, growing and learning within our many diverse communities; and

**WHEREAS**, research shows that safe and nurturing relationships and engaging and stable environments improve brain development and child well-being, while neglectful or abusive experiences and unstable or stressful environments increase the odds of poor childhood outcomes; and

**WHEREAS**, the abuse and neglect of children can cause severe, costly and lifelong problems affecting all of society, including physical and mental health problems, school failure and criminal behavior; and

**WHEREAS**, individuals, businesses, schools, and faith-based and community organizations must make children a top priority and take action to support the physical, social, emotional and educational development and competency of all children; and

**WHEREAS**, during the month of April, Polk County along with community partners will be engaging families in a coordinated effort to prevent child abuse and neglect by promoting awareness of healthy child development, positive parenting practices and concrete support families need within their communities through a month of play and family friendly activities,

**NOW THEREFORE, THE POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY PROCLAIM** the month of April 2024 as ***CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH*** and urge all residents to engage in activities whose purpose is to strengthen families and communities to provide the optimal environment for healthy child development.

Dated this day of March 26th 2024, at Dallas, Oregon.

**POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Craig Pope, Chair

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Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner

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Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner