

POLK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MINUTES November 5, 2025

1. CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

At 9:00 a.m., Commissioner Pope declared the meeting of the Polk County Board of Commissioners to be in session. Commissioner Mordhorst and Commissioner Gordon were present.

Staff present: Greg Hansen, Administrative Officer
Morgan Smith, County Counsel
Matt Hawkins, Administrative Services Director

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular meetings of the Board of Commissioners are held on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. Each meeting is held in the Courthouse 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 principle subjects anticipated to be considered. Pursuant to ORS 192.640, The Board 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, Dallas, Oregon.

3. COMMENTS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: COMMISSIONER GORDON MOVED, COMMISSIONER MORDHORST SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

ALL VOTED YES.

MOTION PASSED BY UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE BOARD.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF October 29, 2025

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER GORDON SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF October 29, 2025.

TWO VOTED YES, COMMISSIONER POPE ABSTAINED DUE TO NOT BEING AT THAT MEETING.

MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

6. APPEAL FOR PLANNING FILE RD 25-10

Eric Knudson, Community Development Senior Planner, was present today to share staff recommendations in regards to planning file RD 25-10. Mr. Knudson provided some information on the planning file and stated that have received an appeal for the file. Mr. Knudson and staff are recommending that the Board of Commissioners set the matter for a hearing before the Polk County Hearings Officer. Commissioner Gordon stated that after looking more into the file he agrees with their recommendation.

MOTION: COMMISSIONER MORDHORST MOVED, COMMISSIONER POPE SECONDED, TO SET THE MATTER BEFORE THE HEARINGS OFFICER.

COMMISSIONER POPE AND COMMISSIONER MORDHORST VOTED YES.

COMMISSIONER GORDON VOTED NO.

MOTION PASSED BY VOTE OF THE QUORUM.

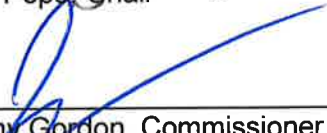
At 9:06 a.m. County Counsel announced that the meeting was recessed to Executive Session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(F) To consider information or records that are exempt by law from public inspection.

The Executive Session ended at 9:28 a.m. and Commissioner Gordon stated that he had a local student job shadow him yesterday and wanted to share what a great experience he had with the student. Commissioner Pope adjourned the meeting at 9:29 a.m.

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Craig Pope, Chair



Jeremy Gordon, Commissioner



Lyle Mordhorst, Commissioner