

**INFORMAL WORK SESSION MINUTES**  
**September 3, 2019 1:45 p.m.**

**Room 32, Courthouse**  
**535 NE Fifth St.**

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Present: Commissioners Richard L. “Rick” Olson and Casey Kulla. Commissioner Mary Starrett was excused

Staff: Ken Huffer, Justin Hogue, Christian Boenisch, Silas Halloran-Steiner, Andrea Paola, Mikalie Moreno and Carrie Martin.

Guests: Nicole Montesano, News Register and others as listed on the sign-in sheet

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Commissioner Olson called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m.

**A. CALENDAR SESSION:** This time is reserved for the review of the commissioner’s joint schedule (if needed).

There was no calendar session.

**B. WORK SESSION:** This time is reserved for topics of discussion scheduled for the Commissioners in advance. If a work session is not needed, the balance of the meeting will begin at 1:30 p.m.

1. Work Session – None.

**C. INFORMAL SESSION:** This time is reserved for briefings, receipt of reports, consultation among commissioners and staff, reports from commissioners on recent actions in the areas of their responsibilities, and other personnel and administrative decisions as appropriate.

1. Department Updates

a. HHS – Silas Halloran-Steiner

Mr. Halloran-Steiner provided an update which included upcoming mid-year position requests in developmental disabilities; Public Health modernization – he is anticipating state funding after a modernization plan is submitted; Public Health is in the process of transferring an SBHC from Yamhill-Carlton to McMinnville School District beginning this fall. Yamhill County will continue to provide behavioral health support to Yamhill-Carlton. Mr. Halloran-Steiner announced an event to support veterans in October.

2. Thursday Formal Session Agenda Review

a. Consent Agenda Review (keep or move to non-consent): None.

b. Non-consent Agenda Review (add to consent or leave off): The consensus of the

Board was to move items F1 – F5 to Thursday’s consent agenda. Item F6 will remain on non-consent.

Silas Halloran-Steiner provided background for item F1. He also noted promising return on investment from Aspen Ridge. Early indication reflects a 60% increase in pre/post engagement in behavioral health services. The average reduction in associated publicly insured healthcare costs is 56% per individual resident.

3. Executive Session – None.

4. Commissioner Updates/Announcements/Discussion:

Stoller Road Stop Sign (Commissioner Kulla) – The consensus of the Board was to add this item to Thursday’s consent agenda.

5. Adjourn:

Following commissioner updates the meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

Carolina Rook  
Secretary