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Board of Commissioners

Job Description: County Commissioner

The board of commissioners acts as the governing body for the county, various service districts, councils, and committees. It is responsible for county administration, management, and policy. The board prepares and adopts county and service district budgets and provides administrative services, support, and liaison to service districts, cities, public agencies, organizations, the Oregon Legislative Assembly, and federal and state officials. It is responsible for conducting public meetings, hearings, road vacations, private and public land sales and exchanges as well as enacting ordinances, orders, contracts, leases and other legal agreements. [Learn more here.](#)

RACE COVERAGE & FORUMS

Chehelem Valley Candidate Forum, Wednesday April 13, 2022

- [Candidate Questionnaire](#)
- [Video of Forum](#)
- [Forum Notes](#), by a Progressive Yamhill member #1
- [Forum Notes](#), by a Progressive Yamhill member #2

A second Candidate Forum is scheduled for 7:30pm, Monday May 9th, Ice Auditorium in Melrose Hall, Linfield University.

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Kit Johnston

[Campaign Website](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors:

1. Johnston \$10,000
2. Cloepfil \$2000
3. KCK Farms \$1500
4. Paulette Alexandria \$1000
5. Thomas Hammer \$1000

Johnston left ownership of [MariCo Farms](#) off his official Voter's Pamphlet bio, and from his 2021 and 2022 SEI forms.

- [MariCo Farms, licensed as a marijuana grower](#) since 2016
- [Authorized Representative for MariCo Farms as of 2021](#)

[Appointed to Yamhill County Planning Commission in 2020](#)

- [Statement Economic Interest 2021](#)
- [Statement Economic Interest 2022](#)

Sits with Starrett on the Newberg Urban Area Management Commission. [Minutes of first meeting, August 2021](#) next meeting was Oct 26, 2021

News Register, [Dayton farmer seeking seat on county commission](#), Oct 29, 2021

Newberg Graphic, [Farmer, planning commissioner files for county office](#), November 3, 2021

Bob Luoto

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[LinkedIn](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

(nothing reported as of 4/16)

Newberg Graphic, [Luoto Joins Quartet of Candidates for Comission Spot](#), March 28, 2022

Portland Business Journal, [Q&A with loggers Bob and Kirk Luoto of Cross & Crown](#), June 6, 2013

TimberWest Magazine, [Bob Luoto takes logging story to D.C.](#), Jan 2013

[Video profile](#), 2010

Investigate West, [Tax-Dollar Timber Industry Advertising Faces Scrutiny In Oregon](#), Sept 9, 2015

[The Other Oregon Profile](#), undated



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Board of Commissioners Position 3

CANDIDATE

INDIVIDUAL COVERAGE

Harry Noah

[Campaign Website](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors:

1. Springboard Group \$2500
2. Yaquina Bay Fruit Processors, LLC \$2000
3. Harry Noah \$1000
4. Michael McNally \$1000
5. Cliff Anderson \$1000

Newberg Graphic, [Another candidate files for county commissioner](#), Feb 14, 2022

News Register, [Harry Noah files to run for Kulla's seat](#), Feb 14, 2022

[Speaking Frankly: And How We Doin'](#) Interview with Howie Harkema

Noah applied to replace HD23 Former State Representative Mike Nearman in 2021.

The Oregonian, [With Rep. Mike Nearman expelled from Oregon Legislature, what's next?](#), June 11, 2021

[Noah's articles in Anchorage Daily News](#)

Beth Wytoski

[Campaign Website](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[LinkedIn](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors:

1. Stoller Family Estate \$1500
2. Megan Salsbury \$515.38
3. Esther Hopper \$515.38
4. Leslie Overgard \$400
5. Donald Albright \$360.92

News Register, [Dayton mayor files for Kulla's seat](#), March 4, 2022

Newberg Graphic, [Dayton mayor mounts bid for county commissioner](#), March 23, 2022

[Mayoral Bio, City of Dayton](#)

News Register, [Restroom dispute stalls replacement of Dayton Landing](#), Nov 19, 2021

News Register Editorial, [Civics education crucial in a democracy like ours](#), May 14, 2021

News Register, [Who governs us](#), Oct 22, 2020

Quoted in The Oregonian, [Wine country rental house flap ensnares two top government attorneys](#), Oct 26, 2018



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Mary Starrett

[Campaign Website](#)

[MaryStarrett.com](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Twitter](#)

[Wikipedia](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors (2022):

1. Oregon Firearms Federation \$5,000
2. [Oregonians for Affordable Housing*](#) \$2,500
3. [Farmers Direct+](#) \$2,500
4. Craig Pubols \$2,000
5. Meadow Ridge Farms \$2,000

*Oregonians for Affordable Housing is the PAC for Oregon Home Builders Association, who have endorsed Starrett

+ Farmers Direct is an Amity business of Joel Rohde and Mark Gaibler. [Gaibler also owns Meadow Ridge Farms.](#) making his total donation \$4500.

Mary Starrett was first elected to Yamhill County Board of Commissioners in 2014, after losing a bid in 2010. She was re-elected in 2018. She ran for Governor as the Constitution Party nominee in 2006, [earning less than 4% of the vote](#). Her brother is Kevin Starrett, executive director of [Oregon Firearm Federation](#).
[2006 Campaign Website](#)

Profiles

[Newberg Graphic](#), April 13, 2022

[Interview, Veronica Nufer](#), April 27, 2015

News with Views

From 2003 - 2010, Starrett published regular opinion articles on this website, where they remain. Notable articles: [“How a Marxist came to be an American Hero”](#), about MLK Jr.

Nearman Replacement

Starrett was the lone vote to reinstate former State Rep. Mike Nearman after his expulsion.

KGW, [County commissioners appoint Anna Scharf to replace Rep. Mike Nearman](#), July 6, 2021

Statesman Journal, [Former legislative aide and lobbyist Anna Scharf appointed to Oregon House](#), July 6, 2021

Second Amendment Sanctuary

OPB, [Oregon Attorney General sues Yamhill, Harney counties to enforce new gun laws](#), Oct 1, 2021

Newberg Graphic, [Commission adopts Second Amendment sanctuary ordinance](#), April 7, 2021



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Mary Starrett
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Covid-19

Oregon Capital Chronicle, [Yamhill County commissioner's retreat from hard stand on Covid may reflect reality](#), Feb. 2, 2022

The Oregonian, [Mary Starrett issues threat: 'I don't want to be an accomplice to this lie, that vaccines and masks will keep you healthy'](#), Jan 28, 2022 and [Jan 27, 2022](#)

KPTV, [Yamhill County commissioners spar with health director over COVID website](#), Jan 27, 2022

News Register, [Starrett declares 'showdown' for Thursday's commissioners' meeting](#), Jan 25, 2022

KGW, [Yamhill County commissioner tries to force health department to publish COVID vaccine misinformation](#), Jan 26, 2022 and [June 27](#)

KATU, [New Oregon group calls local Republicans 'villains' for not supporting COVID protocols](#), Sept 30, 2021

The Oregonian, [Yamhill Commissioner Mary Starrett miscounts breakthrough COVID-19 deaths, refuses to concede inaccurate conclusion](#), Sept 19, 2021

Willamette Week, [Anti-Vaccine Activists Vow Resistance at Oregon's Capitol, Joined by Republican Officials](#), June 12, 2021

News Register Op-Ed, [Hennes: Nothing local approaches the horrors of Jim Crow](#), May 28, 2021

KOIN, [Yamhill County commissioners push back on 'Jim Crow' vaccination verification](#), May 21, 2021

[Lars Larson interview](#), Apr 30, 2020



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Yamhelas Westsider Trail

High Country News, [How a trail in rural Oregon became a target of far-right extremism](#), July 1, 2021

Diversity Training

The Oregonian, [Oregon official objects to diversity training on white privilege, says it could be 'shaming to Caucasians'](#), August 16, 2019

News Register editorial, [Terms like 'white privilege' trigger oversensitive officials](#), August 15, 2019

News Register, [Commissioners approve diversity training](#), August 15, 2019

WOTUS Plagiarism

In 2016, Starrett published an [article in the News Register](#) which was significantly plagiarized from a 2014 [blog post on an Iowa farming website](#). The News Register [published a correction](#).



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Mary Starrett

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Early Politics

2014 Campaign [Video 1](#), [Video 2](#), [Video 3](#)
[2014 Candidate Forum Video](#)

Rose City Antifa, [Starrett Loses in Yamhill County Commissioner Race](#), Nov 6, 2010

BlueOregon, [In Yamhill County, Mary Starrett tries to tea-party her way onto the County Commission](#), 2010

Willamette Week, [Hail Mary](#), April 4, 2007

Willamette Week, [Changing Horses](#), March 6, 2007

Willamette Week, [Mary Starrett on Sept 11, 2001](#), March 2, 2007

Constitution Party Video, ["Better to Have Run"](#), 2010?

[Constitution Party Promotional Video](#), Oct 24, 2007

[Blind CandiDATE Video](#), Oct 18, 2006

[Interview with Jeff Golden](#), Oct 19, 2006

[Guest on Lee Klein Radio Show](#), 2003



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Doris Towery

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[Campaign Facebook](#)

[LinkedIn](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors:

1. Nick Kristof \$10,000
2. Ronni Lacroute \$1000
3. Steven Rupp \$1000
4. Cliff Anderson \$1000
5. Michael McNally \$1000

Newberg Graphic, [Another candidate files for county commissioner](#), Feb 14, 2022

[Speaking Frankly: And How We Doin'](#) Interview with Howie Harkema

Newberg Graphic, [Doris Towery to lead development for YCAP](#), Feb 28, 2014

Board of Directors, [McMinnville Rotary Club](#)

David Wall

[Facebook](#)

Wall has no campaign website, and has not created a PAC to report finances.

Wall ran against Boyer & Berschauer in 2020, [receiving 2,180 votes](#), 7% of the votes.

News Register, [Wall running a quiet campaign](#), May 1, 2020.

KOIN, [Yamhill brewery, neighbors at odds over agritourism](#), May 14, 2019

Portland Monthly, [A Newberg Brewery Battles a Surprising Foe](#), Jan 23, 2017



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House District 23 (Newberg, Dundee, Dayton)

Job Description: State Representative

Oregon State Representatives are elected to represent 60 districts of roughly 63,000 residents each. Their responsibility is to write and pass legislation at the state level Oregon law requires that Legislators be over the age of 21.. [Learn more here.](#)

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**Elise Yarnell
Hollamon**

[Campaign Website](#)

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

[Speaking Frankly: And How We Doin'](#) Interview with Howie Harkema

[City Councilor Bio](#), City of Newberg

Newberg Graphic, [Hollamon a candidate for state representative](#), March 30, 2022

Top 5 Donors:

1. Will Wright \$1000
2. Kristen Stoller \$500
3. Jeff Yarnell \$500
4. Deborah Pedersen \$500
5. Jeremy Swindle \$500

Kriss Wright

[Campaign Facebook](#)

[Campaign Finance](#)

Top 5 Donors:

1. Kriss Wright 5000

Newberg Graphic, [Planning commissioner a candidate for House District 23 seat](#), April 3, 2022



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How to read Campaign Finance with ORESTAR

<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/>

Helpful video guide by Representative Bill Post

Oregon Secretary of State

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Click to Search by Committee Name

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Type Name of Candidate

Step Three:
Hit Submit

Statement of Organization for Candidate Committee

Committee Information

Name: Brittany for Mac
Filing Effective From: 09/04/2020 to present
Address: 637 SW Kack Drive, Suite 512
McMinnville, OR 97128

Treasurer Information

Name: Carol A Russell
Mailing Address: 89286 Cranberry Lane
Bandon, OR 97411
Email Address: russell.cna@gmail.com

Candidate Information

Name: Brittany Ruiz
Election/Office: 2020 General Election
City Councilor, City of McMinnville, Ward 2
Candidate Address: 1315 NW Medinah Drive
McMinnville, OR 97128
Mailing Address: 1315 NW Medinah Drive
McMinnville, OR 97128
Email Address: brittanyformac.com
Occupation: Small Business Owner
Employer: Self Employed

Additional Committee Information

Persons Associated With Committee

- Campaign Finance Activity

To See Donation & Spending Details:
Click 'Campaign Finance Activity'

Financial Activity Types

Cash Expenditure: Spending done by the campaign

Cash Contribution: Donations made to the campaign

In-Kind Contribution: Spending done on behalf of the campaign, by another person or entity