



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
FEBRUARY 18, 2020**

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, February 18, 2020.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator; Dr. William Muth, Linn County Health Officer; Shane Sanderson, Linn County Environmental Health Program Manager; Randy Porter, Linn County Fair and Expo Director; Jodi Gollehon, Deputy County Attorney for Linn County; Alyssa Boles, Senior Planner, Linn County Planning and Building Department; Jeff Schrader, Lieutenant, Linn County Sheriff's Office; Alan Kwan; Kerry Johnson and Alex Paul, Reporter for the Democrat-Herald.

1, 2, 3. At 9:00 a.m. Vice-Chairman Lindsey called the meeting to order. The flag salute and roll call followed. John K. Lindsey, Vice-Chairman and Will Tucker were present, as well as, Ralph Wyatt, Linn County Administrative Officer and Heather Gravelle, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners. Commissioners Roger Nyquist, Chairman, arrived at 9:07 a.m.

4. Approval of Agenda.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve the agenda. The vote was called. The motion passed.

5. Approval of the February 11, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve the February 11, 2020 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed.

6. Board of Health – Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator.

A. Communicable Disease and Vital Statistics Reports – Dr. William Muth, Linn County Health Officer.

Dr. Muth provided the Board with the Communicable Disease and Vital Statistics Reports for the month of January, 2020. Copies of the reports are on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File. Commissioner Tucker pointed out that the numbers were higher this year than last year for campylobacteriosis and that it concerned him. Dr. Muth agreed that the numbers were up and that they would keep an eye on it. Brief discussion followed. The Board thanked Dr. Muth for his work and the reports.

B. Environmental Health Monthly Activity Report – Shane Sanderson, Linn County Environmental Health Program Manager.

Mr. Sanderson provided the Board with an Environmental Health Monthly Activity Report for the month of January, 2020. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File. Mr. Sanderson stated that there was a mistake on his report: there were 261 operation and maintenance reviews, not zero. He added that it had been a standard month and they were focusing on efficiency. He asked the Board if they had any questions regarding his report and they did not. Commissioner Tucker thanked Mr. Sanderson for his work and the update.

Commissioner Nyquist entered the Board meeting at 9:07 a.m.

Mr. Noble provided the Board with an overview of the following items:

C. Resolution & Order 2020-036 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for On-Line Food Handlers’ Training and Testing between Linn County and Lane County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-036. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution & Order 2020-040 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Restaurant Food Inspection Software between Lane County and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-040. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Resolution 2020-045 appointing and reappointing members to the Linn County Mental Health Advisory Board.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2020-045. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Reports of Staff and Committees:

A. Fair/Expo Update – Randy Porter, Linn County Fair and Expo Director.

Mr. Porter provided the Board with a Fair/Expo Update for month of January, 2020. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File. Mr. Porter shared that although they were down in revenue, they were also down in expenditures. This was their busy time of year and the revenue would now begin to come in faster. Mr. Porter asked the Board if they had any questions and they did not and the Board thanked him for his work and the update.

8. County Attorney – Jodi Gollehon, Deputy County Attorney for Linn County.

A. Resolution & Order 2020-046 approving a Commercial Guaranty for a business loan to Linn Economic Development Group.

Commissioner Nyquist provided an overview of Resolution & Order 2020-046. Brief discussion followed.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-046. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution & Order 2020-047 amending the Linn County Exclusion Policy (Policy 39).

Ms. Gollehon provided the Board with background information regarding Resolution & Order 2020-047. Commissioner Lindsey commented that the section that specified “no guns or mace allowed on County property” should not include County Parks; women that walked or jogged needed to feel safe; if someone was out running in one of our parks they should be allowed to carry mace for protection. He added that hunters should also be able to have guns on County property that allowed hunting, as well as, the fact that the Fair and Expo Center had a gun show every year.

After further discussion, Ms. Gollehon stated that Commissioner Lindsey made great points and that she would contact Brian Carroll, Parks Department Director and Randy Porter, Linn County Fair and Expo Director, for their input, make any necessary modifications and would bring the policy back before the Board for their review and consideration.

9. Planning Department – Robert Wheeldon, Linn County Planning and Building Director. Mr. Wheeldon was not in attendance. Mrs. Boles provided the Board with details regarding the following items:

A. Resolution & Order 2020-015 (BC 19-0004) approving an application by Albany Helping Hands, Inc. for a zoning map amendment affecting 4.32 acres of land.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-015. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Ordinance 2020-016 (BC 19-0004) approving an Ordinance amending the Linn County Zoning Map.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 2020-016. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Correspondence: Commissioner Nyquist shared that the Board had a Proclamation prepared for their signature regarding their opposition of Senate Bill (SB) 1530. Commissioner Tucker then read the Proclamation into the record. A copy of the Proclamation is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File.

11. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms were read into the record for: Dina Dysinger (General Admin); Sean Becker and Jeffery Nordtvedt (Mental Health); Mitchell Keenon, Trenton McCormick, Christopher Molina and Austin Sprenger (Road Department).

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to accept the Personnel Action Forms as read into the record. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution & Order 2020-037 approving the sale of tax foreclosed property. (This item was moved from the Tuesday, February 11, 2020 Agenda).

Commissioner Nyquist stated that he was abstaining and would not be voting on this matter. *(At the Wednesday, January 8, 2020 meeting, Commissioner Nyquist had stated the fact that he owned property next to the property in question and that he was recusing himself from the matter to err on the side of caution).*

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-037. The vote was called. The motion passed 2-0 with Commissioner Nyquist abstaining.

C. Resolution & Order 2020-044 approving the sale of tax foreclosed property by private sale.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-044. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution 2020-041 appointing and reappointing members to the Community Services Consortium Community Action Advisory Council (CAAC).

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2020-041. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Resolution 2020-042 reappointing members to the Linn County Law Library Committee.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2020-042. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

F. Resolution 2020-043 reappointing a member to the Linn-Benton Housing Authority.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2020-043. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars and Commissioner Lindsey noted that he would not be able to attend the Association of O & C Counties meeting on Friday, February 21, 2020 at the Fair and Expo Center and that Commissioner Tucker would be attending in his place. Commissioner Nyquist shared that there was a Timber Hearing scheduled on Thursday, February 20, 2020 at 1:30 p.m. in Courtroom 5.

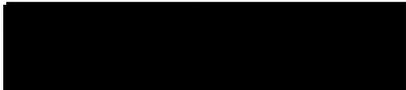
13. New Business: There was no new business to come before the Board.

14. Announcements: There were no announcements.

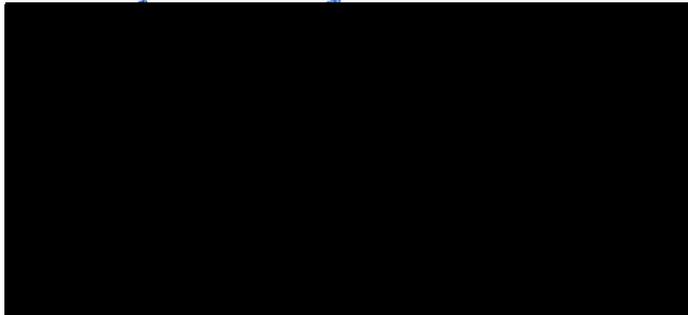
15. Business from the Public (3 minute limit per speaker): There was no one present from the public wishing to use this forum.

16. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 9:40 a.m. by unanimous consent.

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, February 25 and 26, 2020.

 Recorder
For Board of Commissioners
Heather Gravelle

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



William C. Tucker, Commissioner

Date 2-25-2020