



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY MEETING
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
JANUARY 8, 2020**

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Wednesday, January 8, 2020.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Russ Williams, Linn County General Services and Property Management Director; Kerry Johnson; Gerald Davidson and Alan Kwan.

1, 2, 3. At 9:30 a.m. Chairman Nyquist called the meeting to order. The flag salute and roll call followed. Commissioners Roger Nyquist, Chairman and John K. Lindsey, Vice-Chairman were present, as well as, Ralph Wyatt, Linn County Administrative Officer and Heather Gravelle, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Will Tucker was at a Board of Forestry meeting in Salem.

4. Approval of Agenda.

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

5. Approval of the December 17, 2019 and December 31, 2019 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve the December 17, 2019 and December 31, 2019 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed.

6. Reports of Staff and Committees: There were no reports of Staff and Committees.

7. Resolution 2020-001 Election of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Linn County Board of Commissioners for the Year 2020.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution 2020-001. The vote was called. The motion passed.

8. Resolution & Order 2020-002 designating newspapers for official publications for the Year 2020 for Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution & Order 2020-002. The vote was called. The motion passed.

9. Joint Resolution & Order 2020-003 adopting a Resolution & Order regarding the use of the Linn County Fair and Expo Center for July, 2020.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Joint Resolution & Order 2020-003. The vote was called. The motion passed.

10. Resolution 2020-004 declaring the Attorney General’s Model Public Contracting Rules not applicable and the Linn County Public Contracting Rules (LCPR) shall continue in effect.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution 2020-004. The vote was called. The motion passed.

11. Resolution 2020-005 appointment for Justice of the Peace Pro Tempore (District 4A).

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution 2020-005. The vote was called. The motion passed.

12. Resolution 2020-007 appointment of a Linn County Tax Collector.

Commissioner Nyquist asked if they should have the appointment of the Budget Officer before them for approval as well. Commissioner Lindsey noted that that would be a separate item and Mr. Wyatt concurred stating that it would be a separate resolution and he would find out where it was in the process.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution 2020-007. The vote was called. The motion passed.

13. General Services – Russ Williams, Linn County General Services and Property Management Director.

A. Sealed Bid Opening – Account No. 151353 (This item was held over from the Tuesday, December 24, 2019 Board meeting).

Mr. Williams explained that this item would be postponed again until the Tuesday, January 21, 2020 Board meeting when Commissioner Tucker would be in attendance. Commissioner Nyquist commented that the reason he was abstaining from voting was due to the fact that he owned property next to the property in question and he was erring on the side of caution on the matter.

14. Correspondence: There was no correspondence to come before the Board.

15. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms were read into the record for: Noah Willis (Expo); Diana Denham (Health Admin Services); Isabel Dryden, Ashlie Newbill, Carolyn Miller Wusstig, Ronald Ryden and Mia Schroer (Mental Health); Adam Brenneman, Billy Wagaman II and Lonny Wunder (Parks and Recreation) and Neva Anderson (Public Health).

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

B. Resolution 2020-008 reappointing members to the Linn County Fair Board.

Commissioner Nyquist recognized Kerry Johnson, Fair Board Member, and asked her if she had any comments. Ms. Johnson replied that she would like to continue serving on the Fair Board. Commissioner Nyquist thanked Ms. Johnson for her service and all her work over the years. Commissioner Lindsey concurred and stated that the Fair Board members do put in a lot of work for the Fair each year; it was a non-compensated position and it was appreciated.

Action – Commissioner Lindsey moved to approve Resolution 2020-008. The vote was called. The motion passed.

16. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars and Commissioner Nyquist noted that he would be out of the office next Tuesday and Wednesday, January 14 and 15, 2020. Commissioner Lindsey commented that Commissioner Tucker would be out of the office at a meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020 and recommended that they move the Board meeting to Wednesday, January 15, 2020 and Commissioner Nyquist agreed.

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

18. Announcements: There were no announcements.

19. Business from the Public (3 minute limit per speaker): Gerald Davidson, City of Sweet Home Resident, asked what the plans were for the 150-acre property that Linn County owned in Sweet Home. Commissioner Nyquist responded that the County had given the quarry portion of the property to the City of Sweet Home and the other half of the property had been going through an environmental clean-up process with the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ).

Mr. Wyatt further clarified that the old log ponds on the property had been tested and the environmental issues were not as bad as they had thought they would be; the next step was to get a “no further action required” status from the DEQ. Commissioner Nyquist added that the County had owned the property for ten years and the goal was to get it ready for the community to utilize as soon as possible.

20. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 9:42 a.m. by unanimous consent.

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, January 15, 2020.

 Recorder
For Board of Commissioners
Heather Gravelle

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

ARGENT


William C. Tucker, Commissioner

Date 1-15-2020