



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY MEETING  
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200  
JULY 7, 2020**

**The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 7, 2020**

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Jodi Gollehon, Linn County Deputy Attorney for Linn County; Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator; Darrin Lane, Linn County Roadmaster; Alan Kwan and Alex Paul, Reporter for Democrat-Herald.

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; 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.

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 unanimously.**

5. Approval of the June 30, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve the June 30, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

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

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

A. 2nd Reading of Ordinance 2020-164 amending LCC Chapter 430, the Contract Review Board Code.

Ms. Gollehon provided the Second Reading for Ordinance 2020-164 by reading it into the record by title only.

B. Ordinance 2020-164 approving amendments to LCC Chapter 430, the Contract Review Board Code.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Ordinance 2020-164. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

8. Health Department - Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator.

Mr. Noble provided the Board with details regarding the following items:

A. Resolution & Order 2020-127 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the 23<sup>rd</sup> Judicial District Circuit Court for the State of Oregon and Linn County.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-127. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

B. Resolution & Order 2020-190 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Adult Drug Court Probation Officer Services between the State of Oregon Department of Corrections and Linn County.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-190. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

C. Resolution & Order 2020-191 approving an Amendment No. 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement between Benton County and Linn County.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-191. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

D. Resolution & Order 2020-200 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Health Assessment Services between Benton County and Linn County.

**Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-200. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.**

Commissioner Nyquist commented that, in regard to COVID-19, it seemed that Linn County was faring well especially when you consider activities in the counties to the north of us. Commissioner Nyquist added that he was disheartened to see the Governor's comments recently that she would be sending Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and the Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) out to thousands of small business owners in Oregon who already had the financial stuffing knocked out of them.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that it may be a matter of interpretation, but it appeared to him that it was threatening and intimidating which was the last thing that small businesses needed; 99 percent of them take this very seriously and they were doing their best to comply. He commented that they may want to reach out to the Governor's Office to find out if there were areas they should be focusing on; if there were isolated cases in Linn County where businesses may not be following the Governor's Emergency Order and perhaps a follow up of the educational variety would be appropriate. Discussion followed.

9. Correspondence: Commissioner Nyquist mentioned that the Board had received a request from the City of Sweet Home for a letter of support for a rail crossing application and that the letter was being prepared for Board signature. Next, Commissioner Tucker shared that there was a request for a letter of support for an analysis of broadband capabilities in Linn County and a commitment for funding not to exceed \$10,000; the Board had agreed that Mr. Wyatt would write the letter. Brief discussion followed.

10. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms were read into the record for: Chloe Hall (General Services); Hannah Alley, Maegan Christoson, Lituania Corral, Katalin Csaba, Rebekah Evenhus, Jesus Hagan, Kelly Haws, Kate Hemlock, Raquel Lee, Luke Linenberger, Janice Myers, Skylar Randklev, Peyton Sassaman, David Smith, Tracy Voeller and Ian Williams (Juvenile); Elizabeth Salazar (Juvenile Detention); Angela Johnson (Mental Health); Emerson Hoagland (Planning & Building); Robert Kennedy, Layne Newman and Eelyssa Scofield (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.**

11. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars.

12. New Business: Commissioner Nyquist mentioned an article in the Democrat-Herald today, Tuesday, July 7, 2020 regarding the 4-H virtual festivities later this month. He stated that, consistent with the Board of Commissioners' wishes, the Fair Board had pursued to all ends the desire to have a live auction but that was not the direction it ended up going. He added that he hoped that the community would support the youth and their projects via the virtual auction and that he recommended that it be advertised through public service announcements and the Board agreed.

13. Announcements: There were no announcements.

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

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

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled for 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

[REDACTED], Recorder  
For Board of Commissioners  
Heather Gravelle

**LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

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Roger Nyquist, Chairman

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John K. Lindsey, Commissioner

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William C. Tucker, Commissioner

Date 7-14-2020