



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
JULY 14, 2020**

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, July 14, 2020.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Robert Wheeldon, Linn County Planning and Building Director; Bill Palmer, Linn County Accounting Officer; Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer; Darrin Lane, Linn County Roadmaster; Rebecca Grizzle 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 Will Tucker were present, as well as, Ralph Wyatt, Linn County Administrative Officer and Marsha Meyer, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners. John K. Lindsey, Vice-Chairman, was not present at the time of roll call.

4. Approval of Agenda.

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

5. Approval of the July 7, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved to approve the July 7, 2020 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed.

Commissioner Lindsey entered the meeting at 9:35 a.m.

6. Reports of Staff and Committees:

A. Planning Update – Robert Wheeldon, Linn County Planning and Building Director.

Mr. Wheeldon provided the Board with an update for June, 2020. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

He stated that his department's year-end revenues from permits and fees were up 10 percent overall; revenue for commercial industry and residential construction was also up; and, the total number of County land use permits were about the same as last year. Mr. Wheeldon stated that, in the past week, his office had received 38 house plans for new construction due to a subdivision in Millersburg.

The Planning Commission will meet this evening, Tuesday, July 14, 2020, and there are two land use applications to be heard by one applicant on the same property: one is for hemp and one is for marijuana. Mr. Wheeldon did state that the Commission had asked for additional information and the applicant will be requesting a continuance. He stated that Northrock Quarry was also scheduled to be heard tonight by the Planning Commission but it has been rescheduled to Tuesday, August 11, 2020.

Discussion followed about the community meeting held in Crabtree on Thursday, July 9, 2020 to discuss ongoing code enforcement matters. Commissioner Tucker attended and Mr. Wheeldon stated the meeting went well. There was also a discussion regarding significant property violations at a location on Russell Drive in Lebanon. Commissioner Tucker asked Mr. Wheeldon about the meeting with the owners at the Willamette Speedway in Lebanon and extensive discussion followed.

B. Resolution 2020-216 reappointing members to the Linn County Historic Resource Commission.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2020-216. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Linn County Quarterly Financial Report as of June 30, 2020 – Bill Palmer, Linn County Accounting Officer and Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer.

Mr. Palmer provided the Board with a Financial Report ending June 30, 2020. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

He stated that the fiscal year ended in a good spot compared to what had been budgeted. The Health Fund ended up \$1.8 million higher than budgeted and the Road

Fund was \$2 million ahead of what they had budgeted. There was further discussion on unrestricted money and dedicated fund accounts.

The Board thanked Mr. Palmer for his report.

8. Treasurer's Office – Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer.

A. Resolution & Order 2020-223 approving the loan of funds from the General Road Fund to the General Fund of Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

B. Resolution & Order 2020-224 approving the loan of funds from the General Road Fund to the L.E. 4-Year Levy Fund of Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Orders 2020-223 and 224. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Road Department – Darrin Lane, Linn County Roadmaster.

A. Resolution & Order 2020-222 approving an Amendment No. 1 to a Local Agency Agreement Richardson Gap Rd Thomas Creek/Shimanek Bridge Project between the State of Oregon Department of Transportation and Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-222. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Correspondence:

A. Letter of Support signed July 8, 2020 to the Oregon Department of Transportation, Rail and Public Transit Division regarding the City of Sweet Home's Application for a new rail crossing.

The Board acknowledged that the Letter of Support was signed and mailed on July 8, 2020 to the Oregon Department of Transportation.

B. Letter dated July 14, 2020 to IHN-CCO Board of Directors appointing Roger Nyquist, Chairman, to replace Ralph Wyatt on the IHN-CCO Board.

Commissioner Nyquist commented that there was no replacing Mr. Wyatt.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve the Letter to IHN-CCO Board of Directors. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms were read into the record for: Katherine Melton (Developmental Disabilities); Darrin Lane (General Administration) and Austin Leahy and Jordan Thompson (Parks & Recreation).

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 2020-175 approving a new classification for Real Property Program Manager (Management/Exempt-Range 12).

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Lindsey seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2020-175. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Proclamation – July 26, 2020 to be recognized as “Americans with Disabilities Act Awareness Day”.

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

12. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars.

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 10:09 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 21, 2020.


_____, Recorder
For Board of Commissioners
Marsha Meyer

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Roger Nyquist, Chairman



John K. Lindsey, Commissioner



William C. Tucker, Commissioner

Date 7-21-2020