



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY MEETING
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
APRIL 14, 2022**

The Linn County Board of Commissioners moved the regularly scheduled meeting to Thursday, April 14, 2022.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department; Steve Wills, Linn County Building Official, Linn County Planning and Building Department; Brian Carroll, Linn County Parks and Recreation Director; Bill Palmer, Linn County Accounting Officer; Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer; Tori Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Department Director; Alex Paul, Linn County Communications Officer; Phillip Van Leuven, Deputy County Attorney for Linn County; Ron Edwards and Tim Gruver, Reporter for Democrat-Herald.

1, 2, 3. At 9:30 a.m. Chair Nyquist called the meeting to order. The flag salute and roll call followed. Commissioners Roger Nyquist, Chair; Will Tucker, Vice-Chair and Commissioner Sherrie Sprenger were present, as well as, Heather Gravelle, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners. Darrin L. Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer, was out of the office.

4. Approval of Agenda.

Commissioner Tucker noted that he was amending the agenda to add two items: 6 B, Building Update, as well as, item 12 A, Discussion of the First-Time Employment Youth Wage Grant Program.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approval of the April 5, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the April 5, 2022 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Reports of Staff and Committees:

A. Planning Update – Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department.

Ms. Boles provided the Board with a Planning Update for the month of March, 2022. A copy of the report is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File. The Board thanked Ms. Boles for the update.

B. Building Update – Steve Wills, Building Official, Linn County Planning and Building Department. *(This item was added to the agenda during the Board meeting).*

Mr. Wills provided the Board with a Building Update that included information regarding the Fire Hardening Program that assisted Santiam Canyon residents in making their homes more resistant to wildfires. Discussion followed. The Board thanked Mr. Wills for the update.

7. Parks Department – Brian Carroll, Linn County Parks and Recreation Department Director.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-135 approving a County Opportunity Grant Program Agreement for improvements at Green Peter Reservoir between the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Mr. Carroll provided the Board with details regarding Resolution & Order 2022-135.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-135. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

8.. Linn County Quarterly Financial Report as of March 31, 2022 – Bill Palmer, Linn County Accounting Officer and Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer.

Mr. Palmer and Ms. Hawkins reviewed the Quarter Financial Report with the Board. A copy of the report is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners Staff File. Brief discussion followed.

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

10. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to accept the Personnel Action Forms list as Exhibit 1. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution & Order 2022-132 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for the Election Modernization Grant Agreement between the State of Oregon and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Commissioner Nyquist provided the Board with details regarding Resolution & Order 2022-132.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-132. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution & Order 2022-141 approving a Lease Agreement between the Courthouse Diner and Casetta Di Pasta, LLC and Linn County.

Commissioner Tucker provided the Board with details regarding Resolution & Order 2022-141.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-141. 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:

A. Discussion of First-Time Employment Youth Wage Grant Program. *(This item was added to the agenda during the Board meeting).*

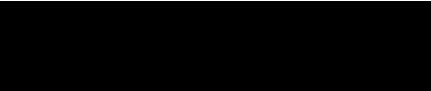
Commissioner Tucker stated that the Willamette Workforce Partnership had announced their version of the First-Time Employment Youth Wage Grant Program. He explained that Willamette Workforce Partnership had modeled it after Linn County's Youth Wage Grant Program that had been in place for many years. Commissioner Tucker distributed a handout to the Board that provided further details on Willamette Workforce Partnership's program. Discussion followed regarding the similarities and differences in the programs, as well as, the possibility of hiring Sean Tate with Tate Public Affairs to assist with outreach efforts.

13. Announcements: The Linn County 2022-2023 Budget Hearings will be held Monday, May 2, 2022 through Thursday, May 5, 2022 at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center, 3700 Knox Butte Road, Albany.

14. Business from the Public (3-minute limit per speaker): Ron Edwards, Lebanon resident, asked the Board to take a drive on Lebanite Drive, Oak Loop and Wagon Wheel Drive. He stated that he was very concerned about potential traffic and safety issues posed by the development of a new apartment complex. He distributed a packet with additional information on the matter to the Board and it is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

15. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 11:02 a.m. by unanimous consent.

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, April 19, 2022.

, Recorder
For Board of Commissioners
Heather Gravelle

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Roger Nyquist, Chair


William C. Tucker, Vice-Chair


Sherrie Sprenger, Commissioner

Date 4-19-2022