



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE  
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY MEETING  
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE - ROOM 200  
AUGUST 30, 2022

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 30, 2022.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Department Director; Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster; Steve Wills, Planning and Building Director; Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department; Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer; Alex Paul, Linn County Communications Officer; Alysia Rodgers, Economic Development Catalyst, City of Lebanon; Alan Kwan; Ron Edwards (via teleconference) and Joanna Mann , 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.

4. Approval of Agenda.

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

5. Approval of the August 23, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the August 23, 2022 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Resolution & Order 2022-316 approving the Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2022 Elections for the combined National Forest and O & C Land related Safety-net payments.

Commissioner Tucker provided background on the matter and brief discussion followed.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-316. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Reports of Staff and Committees:

A. Juvenile Update — Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Department Director.

Mr. Lynn provided the Board with a Juvenile Department update for the month of July, 2022. The report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File. Discussion followed. The Board thanked Mr. Lynn for his work and the update.

8. Road Department — Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster.

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

A. Resolution & Order 2022-308 adopting a new classification for Special Operations Group Foreman (Management/Exempt — Pay Range 16).

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-308. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution 2022-315 approving the use of county roads, North River Drive (County Road Number 0908) and Quartzville Road (County Road Numbers 0932 and 0912) by Best in the West Events for a "Best in the West Triathlon Festival".

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2022-315. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Correspondence: Commissioner Tucker noted that he had drafted a letter from the Board to Jim Kelly, Chair of the Board of Forestry and Cal Mukumoto, State Forester, regarding the Board's opposition to the proposed Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). A copy of the letter is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File. Commissioner Nyquist stated that he would like an opportunity to review the letter prior to it being sent. Commissioner Tucker agreed.

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 2022-309 amending a classification and title from Microcomputer Support Specialist to Systems Administrator (Management/Exempt — Pay Range 17).

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-309. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Resolution & Order 2022-312 approving the sale of tax foreclosed property by private sale.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-312. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution & Order 2022-314 approving an Amendment No. 2 to a Grant Agreement (Contract No. 35072) between Linn County and the Public Transit Division for the Oregon Department of Transportation and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-314. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

#### 11. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars and Commissioner Sprenger noted that she would likely not be attending the Tuesday, September 6, 2022 Board meeting. She added that, if she did attend, it would be via teleconference.

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

13. Announcements: There were no announcements.

14. Business from the Public (3-minute limit per speaker):

Ron Edwards, Lebanon, Oregon, stated that he would like an update on the Green Peter Dam. Commissioner Tucker explained that he had been in touch with Erik Petersen, Willamette Valley Project Operations Manager with the Army Corp of Engineers and they were working on a date that he would be available to attend a future Board meeting and provide an update.

15. Public Hearing — PLN-2022-00455: An application by Darren Cox for a Code Text Amendment to Linn County Code (LCC) Section 929.320(B) [Limited Industrial (I-I) uses permitted through a Type IIA conditional use review] to add "Home occupations, subject to I-CC 932.830 to 932.845" as Type IIA conditional use — Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department.

Commissioner Nyquist opened the Public Hearing and noted, for the record, that the Public Hearing had been dutifully advertised. He then asked the Board if they had any exparte communication, conflict of interest or financial interest regarding this matter. Commissioners' Nyquist and Sprenger noted that they did not have any exparte communication, conflicts of interest or financial interests.

Commissioner Tucker indicated that he did need to acknowledge that he had exparte contact with the applicants. He explained that he was introduced to them and had left the room immediately after the introduction. The applicants then held a meeting with Ms. Boles to go over their application. Commissioner Tucker stated that he had no conflicts or financial interests to declare and he would be able to make a fair and unbiased decision on the matter.

Commissioner Nyquist opened the Public Hearing and read, into the record, the process for the Public Hearing and then called upon Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department, to provide the Board with further information regarding the matter. Ms. Boles referred to the Staff Report she had submitted to the Board. A copy of the report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

Commissioner Nyquist noted that no one had signed the sign-in sheet and asked if there was anyone who was opposed, in support, or neutral who wished to speak on the matter either in the room or telephonically; there was not.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to close the Public Hearing. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Action — Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve PLN-2022-00455: An application by Darren Cox for a Code Text Amendment to Linn County Code (I-CC) Section 929.320(B) [Limited Industrial (I-I) uses permitted through a Type IIA conditional use review] to add "Home occupations, subject to I-CC 932.830 to 932.845" as Type IIA conditional use. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

16. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 10:10 a.m. by unanimous consent.

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The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, September 6, 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 9-6-2022