MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY MEETING
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
JUNE 21, 2022

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 2022.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Dr. William Muth, Linn County Health Officer; Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator; Shane Sanderson, Linn County Public Health Program Manager; Brian Carroll, Linn County Parks and Recreation Director; Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff; Ric Lentz, Emergency Manager, Linn County Sheriff’s Office; Randy Porter, Linn County Fair and Expo Director; Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster; Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Department Director; Russ Williams, Linn County General Services Director; Michelle Hawkins, Linn County Treasurer; Alex Paul, Linn County Communications Officer; Rebecca Grizzle, Executive Director, Lebanon Chamber of Commerce; Alan Kwan; Rich Kellum and Joanna Mann, Reporter for Democrat-Herald.

1, 2, 3. At 9:00 a.m. Chair Nyquist called the meeting to order. The flag salute and roll call followed. Commissioners Roger Nyquist, Chair; William C. Tucker, Vice-Chair and Commissioner Sherrie Sprenger were present, as well as, Darrin L. Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer and Heather Gravelle, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners.

4. Approval of Agenda.

Commissioner Nyquist noted they were removing Item 9 A, Fair/Expo Update, from the agenda and rescheduling it to the next Board meeting.

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

5. Approval of the June 14, 2022 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the June 14, 2022 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.
6. Board of Health – Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator.

A. Communicable Disease and Vital Statistics Reports – Dr. William Muth, Linn County Health Officer.

Dr. Muth provided the Board with an overview of the Communicable Disease and Vital Statistics Reports for May, 2022. A copy of the reports are on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File. He then provided the Board with a brief Covid-19 update. The Board thanked Dr. Muth for his work and the reports.

B. Environmental Health Monthly Activity Report – Shane Sanderson, Linn County Public Health Program Manager.

Mr. Sanderson provided the Board with an overview of the Environmental Health Monthly Activity Report for May, 2022. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners' Staff File. The Board thanked Mr. Sanderson for the update.

Mr. Noble provided the Board with details regarding the items below.

C. Order 2022-180 approving certain health services accounts deemed uncollectible.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Order 2022-180. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution 2022-203 appointing a member on the Linn County Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2022-203. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Resolution 2022-209 appointing members to the Linn County Mental Health Advisory Board.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2022-209. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sprenger asked Mr. Noble for an update regarding the Developmental Disability Advisory Board. Mr. Noble responded that he had recently hired new staff who would be focusing on organizing the meetings.

F. Resolution & Order 2022-228 approving an Amendment No. 8 to Agreement between Protocall Services, Inc. and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.
Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-228. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Mr. Carroll provided the Board with background information regarding Resolution & Order 2022-242.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-242 delegating authority to Brian Carroll, Linn County Parks and Recreation Director, to purchase a CXT Prefabricated Concrete Restroom.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-242. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Sheriff’s Office - Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff.

Ric Lentz, Linn County Emergency Manager, provided the Board with information regarding the following items.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-152 approving an Agreement between the Harrisburg School District and Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-152. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution & Order 2022-218 adopting a 2022 Linn County Emergency Operations Plan for Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-218. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Sheriff Duncan provided the Board with details regarding the items below.

C. Resolution & Order 2022-231 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Brownsville and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

D. Resolution & Order 2022-232 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Halsey and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.
E. Resolution & Order 2022-233 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Harrisburg and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

F. Resolution & Order 2022-234 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Lyons and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

G. Resolution & Order 2022-235 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Mill City and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

H. Resolution & Order 2022-236 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Millersburg and Linn County.

Action Taken Below.

I. Resolution & Order 2022-237 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for Law Enforcement Services between the City of Scio and Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Orders 2022-231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236 and 237. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

J. Resolution & Order 2022-238 approving an Amendment No. 5 to Intergovernmental Agreement (No. 5187) between the State of Oregon Department of Corrections and Linn County and delegate authority to sign originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-238. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

K. Resolution & Order 2022-240 amending a classification for Computer Resources Manager and amending the pay range from 18 to 22 (Management/Exempt-Pay Range 22) (SO).

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-240. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Reports of Staff and Committees:
A. Fair/Expo Update – Randy Porter, Linn County Fair and Expo Director. *(This item was removed from the agenda and rescheduled to the next Board meeting).*

Mr. Porter provided the Board with an overview of the items below.

B. Resolution & Order 2022-114 authorizing the publication and distribution of the Request for Proposals for Catering Services.

*Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-114. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.*

C. Resolution & Order 2022-246 authorizing the publication and distribution of the Request for Proposals for Concessions Services.

*Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-246. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.*

10. Road Department – Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster.

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

A. Resolution & Order 2022-206 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement for right of way services between Lane County and Linn County and delegating authority to Wayne E. Mink, Roadmaster.

*Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-206. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.*

B. Resolution & Order 2022-219 delegating authority to Wayne E. Mink, Roadmaster, for the supply and delivery of fuel.

*Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-219. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.*

C. Resolution & Order 2022-221 delegating authority to Wayne E. Mink, Roadmaster, to purchase a self-propelled sweeper.

*Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-221. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.*
D. Resolution & Order 2022-225 delegating authority to Wayne E. Mink, Roadmaster, to purchase a backhoe loader.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-225. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Juvenile Department – Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Department Director.

A. Juvenile Update.

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

Mr. Lynn then provided the Board with an overview of Resolution & Order 2022-241.

B. Resolution & Order 2022-241 approving an Amendment No. 9 to an Intergovernmental Agreement (Agreement No. 5264i) for the Oak Creek Youth Correctional Facility between the State of Oregon, Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-241. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

12. General Services – Russ Williams, Linn County General Services Director.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-212 approving a Contract for Janitorial Services between Linn County and Garten Services, Inc.

Mr. Williams provided the Board with information regarding Resolution & Order 2022-212.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-212. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

13. Correspondence: Letter of Support for the Santiam Hospital Grant signed by the Board on Friday, June 17, 2022.

Commissioner Tucker noted that the Board had signed a Letter of Support for the Santiam Hospital Grant on Friday, June 17, 2022. A copy of the letter is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File.

14. 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. Personnel Action Forms – Cost of Living Adjustment for Elected Officials, Management Exempt and Teamster Employees.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to accept the Personnel Action Forms list as Exhibit 2. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Request for Refund from the Planning and Building Department to II S Mechanical, $1,476.86.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the Request for Refund. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

D. Resolution & Order 2022-182 establishing certain County Fees and setting forth all fees collected by Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-182. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

15. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars.

16. New Business: Discussion and potential action on adoption of an ordinance for referral to Linn County voters at the November 2022 General Election prohibiting the establishment of psilocybin production, manufacturing or service centers under the Oregon Psilocybin Services Act (Measure 109).

Darrin Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer, referred to a staff memo that Alyssa Boles, Linn County Planning Manager, had written on the matter. The memo is on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File. Mr. Lane explained that the memo was a great analysis of the matter.

Commissioner Nyquist noted that this matter was of utmost importance and that he felt that it should be referred to the Linn County voters. Commissioner Tucker agreed and stated that, if they approved this, it would stop the growing and processing of Psilocybin and would move any treatment services to inside the city limits and would not be allowed in rural Linn County.
Commissioner Tucker added that he was in support of that and wished that they could have done the same thing with Measure 110. Commissioner Sprenger stated that she was not in support of legalizing marijuana, Measure 110, or, of this (Measure 109). She added that she agreed with sending the matter to the local voters because they needed to have a voice about their own community.

After further discussion, It was the consensus of the Board to direct staff to create and deliver the necessary documents in order for the Board to take a formal vote on the matter prior to the deadline. Mr. Lane acknowledge that he understood the Board’s request and he would proceed accordingly.

17. Announcements:

A. The Board will meet on Thursday, June 23, 2022 at 11:00 a.m. to adopt the Linn County 2022-2023 Budget and 11:10 a.m. to adopt the 4-H Extension Service District 2022-2023.

B. There are no agenda items scheduled on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

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

Rich Kellum stated that he was disappointed about the recent City of Albany decision in regard to the Wells Fargo Building. He then shared that he was impressed with the Linn County Health Department’s response to Covid-19. Lastly, he explained that he felt that the Linn County Parks Department should raise their fees. Brief discussion followed. The Board thanked Mr. Kellum for attending the Board meeting.

19. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 10:15 a.m. by unanimous consent.

The next public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 23, 2022.