The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, August 2, 2022.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff; Micah Smith, Linn County Undersheriff; Brian Carroll, Linn County Parks and Recreation Director; Gene Karandy, County Attorney for Linn County; Alex Paul, Linn County Communications Officer; Alysia Rodgers, Economic Development Catalyst, City of Lebanon 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; 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.

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 July 26, 2022 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the July 26, 2022 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. Sheriff’s Office – Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff.
Undersheriff Smith provided the Board with an overview of the item below.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-285 approving a Memorandum of Understanding between the Oregon Department of Transportation and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-285. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

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

Mr. Carroll provided the Board with background information regarding Resolution & Orders 2022-276 and 282.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-276 approving an A & E Services contract between Udell Engineering and Land Surveying and Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-276. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

B. Resolution & Order 2022-282 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement No. 2123-047 for Maintenance Assistance Grant between the State of Oregon Marine Board and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-282. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Nyquist asked Mr. Carroll how Parks Department staff were handling the summer season. Mr. Carroll responded that, although they were short-staffed and close to 100 percent capacity, things were going well. He added that they were trying to hire additional staff to assist, but were having a difficult time. Discussion followed. The Board thanked Mr. Carroll and his staff and their hard work and effort; it was appreciated.

9. County Attorney’s Office – Gene Karandy, County Attorney for Linn County.

Mr. Karandy provided information regarding the matter below.

A. Resolution & Order 2022-254 Calling an Election on the issue of prohibiting Psilocybin product manufacturers and Psilocybin service center operators in the unincorporated area of Linn County.
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Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-254. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Correspondence: Commissioner Tucker shared that the Board had signed three letters of opposition regarding the proposed Douglas Fir National Monument. The letters were addressed to Representative Peter DeFazio, Senator Jeff Merkley and Senator Ron Wyden and are on file in the Linn County Clerk’s Office in the Commissioners’ Staff File.

11. 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 2022-277 approval of rate increases for Republic Services of Albany-Lebanon and Corvallis.

Action Taken Below.

C. Resolution & Order 2022-278 approval of rate increases for Pacific Sanitation, Inc.

Action Taken Below.

D. Resolution & Order 2022-279 approval of rate increases for Waste Connections, Inc. of Oregon dba Sweet Home Sanitation.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Orders 2022-277, 278 and 279. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Resolution & Order 2022-288 approving a First-Time Youth Wage Grant Agreement between Linn County and Cook Family Farms, Inc.

Action Taken Below.

F. Resolution & Order 2022-289 approving a First-Time Youth Wage Grant Agreement between Linn County and David C. Malpass Warehouse, Inc.

Action Taken Below.

G. Resolution & Order 2022-290 approving a First-Time Youth Wage Grant Agreement between Linn County and Malpass Farms, LLC.
Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Orders 2022-288, 289 and 290. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

H. Resolution & Order 2022-294 approving the sale of tax foreclosed property.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve Resolution & Order 2022-294. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars and Commissioner Nyquist noted that he would be out of the office on Tuesday, August 9, 2022.

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

14. Announcement: The Board announced that there would be an Elected Officials meeting held tomorrow, Wednesday, August 3, 2022 from Noon to 2:00 p.m. at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center in Conference Room 3.

15. Business from the Public (3-minute limit per speaker): There was no one present from the public wishing to use this forum neither in person or telephonically.

16. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 9:52 a.m. by uncontested consent.

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

For Board of Commissioners
Heather Gravelle

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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Date 8-9-2022