

APPROVED BY ORDER #11-21-377
MINUTES OF THE
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
VIRTUAL MEETING OF AUGUST 25, 2021 at 10:00 a.m.

This meeting was audio and video recorded and a link is available at

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CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hunt called to order the regular meeting of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.

ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

Present at the meeting were Commissioner Hunt, and Commissioner Hall and Commissioner Jacobson. A quorum was established.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Hunt introduced the consent calendar.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the consent calendar, Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion; A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting

1. Order #8-21-272 Board of Commissioners Meeting 1.11.2021
2. Order #8-21-273 Board of Commissioners Meeting 7.20.2020
3. Order #8-21-274 Board of Commissioners Meeting 8.10.2020
4. Order #8-21-275 Board of Commissioners Meeting 8.3.2020
5. Order #8-21-276 Board of Commissioners Meeting 7.27.2020
6. Order #8-21-277 Board of Commissioners Meeting 8.24.2020

Tax Foreclosure, Right-of-Way, Sales and Deeds

1. Order #8-21-278 Approving the Distribution of Land Sales Funds for the 2020/2021 Tax Year

Documents and Recording Matters in the Commissioners Journal

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1. Order #8-21-279 Room Block Rental Agreement between Lincoln County and Northwest Coastal Housing for Parole and Probation
2. Order #8-21-280 State of Oregon Department of Human Services Intergovernmental Grant Agreement #159235 for the Financing of Community Development Disabilities Program Services

Execution of Documents

1. Amendment #1 to Intergovernmental Agreement # 169520 for the Financing of Public Health Services
2. Intergovernmental Agreement #170715 between Oregon Health Authority and Lincoln County for Environmental Health Services
3. Lease Amendment between Lincoln County and QA Enterprises

PUBLIC HEARING

Petition to Vacate a Portion of Clark Loop, County Road #567 – Presented by Roy Kinion, Public Works Director

A. Open Hearing

Chair Hunt opened the public hearing.

B. Staff Report on purpose of hearing

Public Works Director Roy Kinion reported the receipt of a petition to vacate a portion of Clark Loop. He explained the intent of the petition, which is to gain additional space to create a tax lot that can be sold or create an additional business on. The petition was presented to the County with 100% signatures from the adjacent property owners.

Director Kinion disclosed that the vacation if approved would not have any impact on the traveling public, it would create a buildable tax lot for the petitioner and it is in the interest of the public to approve the vacation. Director Kinion communicated that a decision was not immediately required from the Board and the public hearing be closed and continued in the next meeting of the Board of Commissioners.

Chair Hunt closed the public hearing.

Commissioner Jacobson moved to continue the process for decisions until the next virtual meeting of the Board of Commissioners on September 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m. Commissioner Hall seconded; a vote was taken and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

A. Insurance Pay out for Totaled Vehicle – P&P – Presented by Roy Kinion, Public Works Director

Director Kinion reported a request to the Board to accept the \$11,294 insurance pay out for a 2013 Dodge Journey utilized by Juvenile Probation. The Board would also need to approve the purchase of a replacement minivan.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the acceptance of the insurance pay out and to purchase a minivan. Commissioner Jacobson seconded, a vote was taken and passed unanimously.

B. Approval of Ambulance for Depoe Bay Fire District - Presented by Chief Tom Jackson

Chief Tom Jackson disclosed the need for an ambulance in Depoe Bay District. He communicated that the State requires approval from Lincoln County in order to proceed with the licensing procedure for Depoe Bay Fire District. Upon approval, Depoe Bay Fire District would collaborate with PacWest on a mutual aid agreement to provide the ambulance service.

Chair Hunt disclosed that the Board is in support however, a decision would be made on the next Board of Commissioners meeting to allow for public comments.

C. COVID-19 leave, vaccine bonus incentive – Presented by David Collier, Personnel Director & Kristin Yuille, County Counsel

County Counsel Kristin Yuille reported on a proposed policy to provide COVID-19 leave for County employees. This leave would be available to sick employees, employees on quarantine and employees taking care of sick family members.

Chair Hunt suggested that the COVID-19 leave be effective with the personnel amendment on September 1, 2021, and continue to December 31, 2021.

Counsel Yuille disclosed that a policy is being prepared and would be presented to the Board in the next meeting. She reported on a bonus incentive for fully vaccinated County employees and there would be a more detailed presentation at the next Board of Commissioners meeting.

The commissioners agreed on October 31, 2021, as the deadline for County staff to be fully vaccinated to qualify for the \$500 vaccine bonus.

Counsel Yuille disclosed that the county would provide free self-testing kits for employees of the County.

REPORTS

A. Echo Mountain Fire Update

Public information officer Casey Miller announced an event to recognize the 1-year anniversary of the Echo Mountain Fire has been postponed due to COVID-19 concerns.

Commissioner Jacobson reported on the progress of homes being rebuilt since the wildfire. She disclosed that the Planning Department would receive \$180 thousand from LCDC, to be spent over a 2-year period to help the department keep up with the housing issues in the County.

Commissioner Jacobson announced that the Planning Department launched the septic and well water program with over 50 applications received and a \$50 thousand budget to help uninsured people get home, septic and well water repairs. She disclosed that the state needs a letter from Lincoln County to appeal the decision of FEMA in regard to the reimbursement of the state for the cleanup of a property affected by the wild fire.

B. COVID/Vaccination Update – Presented by Florence Pourtal, Interim Public Health Director

Interim Public Health Director Florence Pourtal reported that there are 1000 people hospitalized with COVID-19 in the State of Oregon with 283 people in the ICU. She disclosed an increase in pediatric COVID-19 cases in the state, emphasizing the need for people with children who are not eligible for the vaccine to keep wearing their masks.

There were 7 COVID-19 patients currently hospitalized in Lincoln County, 5 of them are in the ICU. She reported an upward curve in transmission with 551 cases reported in August. In addressing concerns about in person school resuming, Director Portal reported that vaccination clinics would be set up in school districts for eligible children 12 years old and above to get vaccinated. She also implored parents to teach children on the practice of COVID-19 preventative measures.

Director Pourtal explained that the upward curve of COVID-19 cases in Lincoln County was due to the transmission rate of the Delta Variant and the relaxation of the mask mandate and social distancing. She encouraged people to get vaccinated, wear masks in public indoor setting and limit social gatherings to curb the spread of the virus. She gave clarifications on COVID-19 symptoms and explained that the COVID-19 symptoms of a vaccinated person might not be as severe as an unvaccinated person's symptoms.

Director Pourtal communicated the steps to take when a person tests positive for COVID-19. Where a home test kit has been used, a positive result should be reported to the public health office. Contacts of the individual should be made aware of the positive result to ensure proper contact tracing, self-isolation and taking measures to curb the spread. She disclosed that a list of centers for COVID-19 tests were available on the Lincoln County website. Contacts of a COVID-19 case are advised to quarantine and if unvaccinated, wear a mask for 14 days and check for symptoms.

Director Pourtal announced that the Pfizer vaccine has received FDA approval; booster shots would be available for high-risk individuals vaccinated at least 8 months ago. She also disclosed that immunocompromised individuals have been approved to receive additional dose as well as mandatory vaccination of health workers and teachers. Director Pourtal presented a list of Vaccination clinics throughout Lincoln County.

C. Commissioners

No commissioner reports.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The next Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting would be held virtually on Wednesday September 1, 2021, at 10:00 a.m.

The meeting adjourned at 11:42 a.m.

These meeting minutes were read and approved November 3, 2021.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



DOUG HUNT, Chair



CLAIRE HALL, Commissioner



KAETY JACOBSON, Commissioner