

APPROVED BY ORDER #10-21-329

MINUTES OF THE

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING HELD VIRTUALLY ON APRIL 5, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

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

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CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner 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, Commissioner Hall, and Commissioner Jacobson. A quorum was established.

RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION

Employees were recognized for the five years, or multiples of five years, they've worked on the county.

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Commissioner Hunt introduced the Consent Calendar. A motion was made by Commissioner Hall to approve the consent calendar. Commissioner Jacobson seconded. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

Commission Appointments and Resignations

1. Order #4-21-96 Changes in Membership to the Lincoln Community Health Council
2. Order #4-21-97 Changes in Membership to the Alcohol Prevention and Recovery Committee
3. Order #4-21-98 Changes in Membership to the Mental Health Advisory Committee

License Applications or Renewals

1. Order #4-21-98 OLCC Temporary Permit – Wine Fauve

Documents and Recording Matters in the Commissioners Journal

1. Order #4-21-99 Amendment #19 to Intergovernmental Agreement #159820 between Oregon

Health Authority and Lincoln County for the Financing of Public Health Services

2. Order #4-21-100 Amendment #3 to Intergovernmental Agreement #155918 between Oregon Health Authority and Lincoln County for HIV EISO
3. Order #4-21-101 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Family Tree Relief Nursery and Lincoln County for Community Engagement, Education, Support and Outreach for Active Surveillance of COVID-19 Case Contacts
4. Order #4-21-102 Business Associate Agreement between Lincoln County Public Health and The Center for Child and Family Health, Inc.
5. Order #4-21-103 Agreement between Lincoln County and Community Helping Addicts Negotiate Change Effectively (CHANCE) for Peer Support Services
6. Order #4-21-104 Intergovernmental Grant Agreement #168038 between Oregon Health Authority and Lincoln County – FEMA COVID CORE Grant

Execution of Documents

1. Order #4-21-105 Agreement between Lincoln County and Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians for Year Four HIV EISO Activities
2. Order #4-21-106 Agreement between Lincoln County and Benton County for Year Four HIV EISO Activities

REPORTS

1. Lincoln County Public Health COVID-19 Update – Presented by Florence Pourtal, Public Health Deputy Director

Deputy Director Pourtal updated that it is very likely we will move from moderate to high risk category, based on increasing cases. Pourtal reiterated that they should continue to follow guidelines such as physical distancing, wearing a mask, and getting the vaccine. These actions will help slow down the trend and hopefully reverse it country-wide and state-wide. She worries that they may be affected by the new variants.

They don't know what place they're in in terms of vaccinations because the state dashboard is down. In terms of vaccinations, 760 Johnson & Johnson doses were administered over the past week at here very successful outreach clinics in. The county held clinics in Newport and Otis specifically targeting group 6 people, including people working in the fishing industry, agricultural workers, and victims of wildfires. Lincoln County is getting 2,200 first-dose vaccines. 800 of these will be single-dose, and 1,300 boosters. There are five clinics for first doses and three clinics for second doses. They will start outreach to people who are unstable housed and/or homeless. Partners at North Lincoln Fire and Rescue will be using the remainder of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine to vaccinate people who cannot leave their homes or are in another part of the county.

Commissioner Hunt asked a question whether a person getting their first dose in a certain area would have to go to the same place to get their second dose and how that would be managed.

The recommendation is that you get your second dose in the same place you got your first dose. This is to help with record-keeping as well as make sure people who got their first dose will get their second dose. Some exceptions can be made, but it's not recommended. It is best to keep it simple.

2. Siletz Tribal Clinic Vaccinations – Bud Lane, Vice-Chair, CTSI

Vice-Chair Bud Lane expressed displeasure over the increased COVID case numbers, but also expressed appreciation for the work done by the county. As of Friday, April 2nd, they've given out just under 5,000 doses, the majority of those in Lincoln County, and about 1,000 to tribal members and their families that reside in Eugene, Salem, and in the Portland metro areas. Although they started with only 100 vaccines in one day in January, currently they administer about 500 vaccines every Friday at their clinics.

Commissioner Hunt called for a 2-minute recess at 3:43 p.m.

3. Echo Mountain Complex Fire Update

Commissioner Hunt resumed the meeting at 3:45 and continued with the Echo Mountain Complex Fire Update to be presented by Director Kinion or Counsel Belmont.

County Counsel Wayne Belmont first updated on their meeting with folks from FEMA to discuss what's called a community planning and capacity building process. It was the first one that's done in many of the wildfire-impacted counties in Oregon. They will be requesting assistance from FEMA, who will provide some staffing to move forward in that process. Belmont announced that Commissioner Jacobson will be meeting with staff representatives and members of the potable water resources task force in Otis to discuss some preliminary assessments of water needs in the community.

Public Works Director Roy Kinion provided updates that Paul Seitz, the solid waste district manager, went through and inspected every fire affected property to determine which property had yet to be cleaned and which ones they didn't have ROEs for. Using this information, he was able to come up with a list to use later to make sure all properties are cleaned.

Commissioner Jacobson added to the updates that the Salmon River RV Park has also started cleanup. Jacobson also reported that they sought direct funding from the state to deal with public access roads that survived the initial fire but are getting damaged in the recovery process. They also sought funding for septic and well system inspection, repair, and replacement, and extending the mental health team past when the FEMA deadline ends. The money was not allocated as expected to said systems, which was upsetting.

4. 2021 Sheriff's Office Annual Report – Presented by Sheriff Curtis Landers

Sheriff Curtis Landers shared a presentation on the 2020 annual report. He addressed the recent jail COVID outbreak. He reported no new positive cases in the jail. The state will go in and do PCR testing throughout the jail. Sheriff Curtis Landers expressed appreciation to the Sheriff Deputies for their hard work during the pandemic.

Sheriff Landers brought attention to the Emergency Management Division, which is committed to ensuring county capabilities to obtain help in an emergency and to protect, mitigate, prepare for, respond to, and recover from emergencies or disasters regardless of cause. They have been extremely busy as they have attended to two country-wide Federal Presidential Emergency Declarations responding to COVID-19 and the Echo Mountain Complex Fire.

Sheriff Landers brought attention to the Patrol Division, which is committed to professional excellence in providing accredited public safety services for Lincoln County in the form of law enforcement patrol, criminal investigations, community and animal services, and community partnerships. This year, the Patrol Division had the duty of evacuations during the fires, as well as dealing with COVID and the governor's executive orders.

Calls for services were down in 2020. In March and April last year, crime was significantly down. He also pointed out the reduction of response time in the Siletz areas due to the higher hours of coverage. Other patrol statistics showed reduction of crime in some areas and increase of crime in other areas due to COVID. Things such as assaults were down, but vandalism was up slightly.

There is a new program called the Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion, which was helped by a grant they were able to obtain. This is a program to divert people from the criminal justice system. Another program pointed out was the Community Outreach and Mental Health Enhancement Team, which pairs a mental health counselor with one of our deputies, and that puts them out there to address a lot of crisis situations.

Sheriff Landers shared about the Support Services Division, which is committed to providing public services to Lincoln County's community members, cooperating agencies, and a variety of external entities with the highest level of integrity, efficiency, and compassion. Based on statistics, concealed handgun licenses were up in 2020, which is a trend that's happening statewide. Civil papers and criminal subpoenas served were down due to COVID.

Sheriff Landers updated on correction facilities where there have been difficulties due to COVID and restrictions on physical distancing. Some projects rolled out gave tablets to adults in custody, which will provide GED studies, vocational training, stress and anger management, as well as cognitive and behavioral therapy. Statistics from the jail showed that bookings were way down because of COVID. They also showed that forced releases were down as well. Failure to appear in court rates are trending back down, which is an indicator that they are doing things correctly.

Finally, an update on the animal shelter. Progress has been going well, and hopefully next year, the new animal shelter will be coming in. A new system has been put in place for people getting licenses for their pets so they can do it more remotely such as online. Volunteer hours have gone down due to COVID.

5. Commissioners

Commissioner Hunt commented that he reached out to Representative Gomberg about getting messaging boards along the major highways into the county reminding visitors that face masks are required statewide. He also requested an update on the status of the animal shelter from Jerry Herbage.

County Counsel Jerry Herbage clarified that last Wednesday, the animal shelter RFP for architectural engineering and planning services went out. This Thursday they are having a pre-conference for the

proposal. There were about 10 interested firms contacting them for the link to the Thursday proposal, which meant there was quite an interest in the animal shelter.

County Counsel Wayne Belmont made a reminder to people that they will be having a public workshop on STRs on Wednesday, April 7 at 6:00 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

The public comments were acknowledged since the last meeting of the Board of Commissioners on March 29, 2021.

Commissioner Jacobson noted that public comments were more targeted lately with ideas, particularly to Wayne Belmont's proposal. She expressed thanks for those comments.

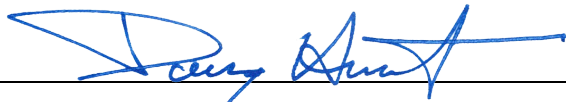
ADJOURNMENT

The next Board of Commissioners meeting will be held virtually on April 12, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

The meeting recessed for Executive Session Under ORS 192.660(d) to discuss labor negotiations and did not return to public session.

These meeting minutes were read and approved October 13, 2021.

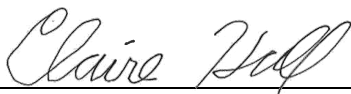
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DOUG HUNT, Chair

Excused

KAETY JACOBSON, Commissioner



CLAIRE HALL, Commissioner