

APPROVED BY ORDER #10-21-325

**MINUTES OF THE
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

MEETING OF JANUARY 19, 2021 at 3:00 pm

Meeting held virtually

This meeting was audio and video recorded and a link is available at co.lincoln.or.us/meetings

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Hunt called to order the regular session 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/PROCLAMATIONS

A. Employee Recognition

Al Eames, Planning & Development, 40 years of service

Marie Gainer, Sheriff's Office, 20 years of service

Rob Eoff, Community Justice, 20 years of service

Joshua Bighill, Sheriff's Office, 15 years of service

Nicole Kendall, Personnel, 5 years of service

Joshua Bacher, Planning & Development, 5 years of service

Amber Gross, Health & Human Service, 5 years of service

ADOPTION OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Hunt introduced the Consent Calendar which was adopted as presented.

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

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

Order #1-21-18 Execution of Quitclaim Deed for Certain Tax Acquired Property – Schwalbach

Documents and Recording Matters in the Commissioners Journal

Order #1-21-19 OCHIN Statement of Work (#7662) HCCN Care Transformation Practice
Coaching Cohort 2 for SA22 Lincoln County

Order #1-21-20 Colorectal Cancer Screening Technical Assistance (CRC TA) Memorandum of
Understanding (January – June 2021)

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Order #1-21-21 Agreement between InterCommunities Health Plans, Inc. and Lincoln County Health and Human Services for Hepatitis C Virus Outreach Screening and Treatment Protocol (effective January 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021; not to exceed \$39,404.33)

Execution of Documents

Order #1-21-22 Authorizing Certain Employees of the Health & Human Services Department to take the Actions Permitted by ORS 426.233 Relating to the Emergency Commitment, Care, and Treatment of the Mentally Ill

DISCUSSION/ACTION

A. Order #1-21-23 Authorizing Memorandum of Understanding with the City of Newport regarding Animal Shelter Facility Relocation Process – *Presented by Wayne Belmont, County Counsel*

Counsel Belmont reported that discussions have been ongoing with the city of Newport about a potential location of the animal shelter facility at the southside of the Newport airport. Things got side-tracked along the way but to get things back on track, the first step will be to undertake the memorandum of understanding (MOU) with the city of Newport. This order would authorize the Chair to execute the MOU and it will be presented by Counsel Belmont to the City Council tonight for formal approval. The site is approximately 5 acres; the MOU will allow the determination of boundaries. This location will allow more amenities for the shelter and possible expansion in the future. It will also provide some storage space for Lincoln county. The city of Newport will not be selling the property, rather it would be a long-term lease agreement; the terms of the lease and the price need to be developed and decided. A commercial use permit is required for this property as it is adjacent to the airport and, plans for the application have begun. To answer a question from Commissioner Jacobson, Counsel Belmont confirmed that a consultant will be recruited before the commercial use permit application to get the needed plans drawn.

Commissioner Jacobson moved to approve the order authorizing the Memorandum of Understanding with the city of Newport, Commissioner Hall seconded; a vote was taken and passed unanimously.

B. Commissioner's Letter of Support for the Oregon Coast Small Business Development Center (SBDC) Funding

Counsel Belmont suggested that the recipient of the letter for the SBDC funding be expanded to address the governor, in order to increase the reach.

Dave Price reported that the SBDC has done phenomenal work in the county and the governor's budget shows about a 60% cut in funding that could cripple its services. This funding source contributes about \$80,000 to support the SBDC and small businesses and is therefore important.

Commissioner Hall moved to approve the proposed letter of support for the SBDC funding with the inclusion of the local legislators' delegation and the governor as recipients of the letter. Commissioner

Jacobson proposed the inclusion of all the relevant cities in Lincoln county as recipients of the letter. The amendment was accepted by Commissioner Hall and Commissioner Jacobson seconded the motion to approve the letter. A vote was taken and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

A. State Transportation Improvement Program (STIF) Project List 2021-23 Biennium – Presented by Cynda Bruce, Transit Director

The STIF committee met on January 7th and 14th and ranked projects on the STIF project list for the 2021 - 2023 biennium. Cynda Bruce reported that there are 13 total projects including program contingency and reserve; she explained the different projects in more detail for the board of commissioners. In the list, there were many project carryovers from the past biennium due to the pandemic as only 2 projects were executed.

There was a consensus from the commissioners to go forward with the list as presented.

REPORTS

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

Florence Pourtal reported a current number of 998 COVID-19 cases in Lincoln county. There has been a total of 109 cases in January, with the case positivity rate decreasing in the past week. The number of cases per 100,000 has reduced and the county has maintained its position in the high-risk category.

Florence Pourtal reported that the county has received 2,480 doses so far and administered 2,096 of them. The county was expecting 1,000 doses last week but was informed of its cancellation on Friday. However, there was a delivery of 100 doses today with 700 doses expected this week in Public Health and 975 doses from Samaritan. With these doses, there will be three mass vaccination clinics on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Reports show that the 1,296 slots available for these clinics have already been filled. With the support of Pacific West Ambulance and North Lincoln Fire, 319 people including staff and residents of three long term care facilities will receive vaccinations; those at Oceanview will be vaccinated on Thursday while Lakeview and Sea Aire will receive theirs on Friday. About 100 doses from the vaccination clinics which will be used in mobile clinics for people in Phase 1A who cannot come to the vaccination event, like those in group homes.

Florence Pourtal stressed that the public health staff have no control over the number of doses they receive but they will be transparent whenever they receive any and publicize it so people can register to get vaccinated.

Chair Hunt participated in a phone call with the Oregon Health Authority and the State public health officials last week. During the meeting he learned that the state expects to get 100,000 doses from the federal level, but half of these will be 2nd doses which sheds more light on the challenges in the vaccine administration. Counties like Lincoln county with organised vaccine clinics however have a better chance of getting vaccine allocation from the state.

The commissioners commended the good work done by the public health officials.

B. Echo Mountain Complex Fire Update

Counsel Belmont reported that in a call this morning, he received confirmation that FEMA is moving forward with the agreement on the property they will be utilizing for the direct housing mission. The property is in the Lincoln city area and they are planning to accommodate 21 spaces in this site.

Counsel Belmont also reported that FEMA denied the request to fund the clean-up of commercial housing by ODOT. He said an appeal of the decision is being prepared. Commissioner Jacobson encouraged everyone to reach out to their congressional delegates to assist in the appeal while the formal process starts.

Roy Kinion reported that the debris clean up hasn't begun yet, but all the plans are in place for its commencement.

C. Lincoln County Emergency Management Volunteer's Year in Review – Presented by Jenny Demaris, Emergency Manager, & Samantha Buckley, Assistant Emergency Manager

Both Jenny Demaris and Samantha Buckley were absent from the meeting as they are fully occupied with the organization of the vaccination clinics. The commissioners agreed to move the report to another meeting.

D. Commissioners

Commissioner Jacobson reported she spent some time with the ODOT volunteers, and they are working to get people back on their feet. She also visited the Salmon River grange, and they are still seeking donations of certain items and volunteers; these needs can be viewed on their Facebook page.

Commissioner Hunt reported that from his meeting with the Oregon Health Authority and the State public health officials, the work done by the public health team and Florence Pourtal has earned the county benefits like the doses of vaccines received from the state.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Counsel Belmont reiterated that tomorrow night is the first workshop on Short term Rental Licensing program and potential changes to the program. They will be using the Zoom platform in order to get public comments with an interactive segment. There are already 80 people signed up for the workshop.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

A. To discuss labor negotiations pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d)

Chair Hunt declared a recess into the executive session to discuss the labor negotiations and the board of commissioners will not be returning to the public meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

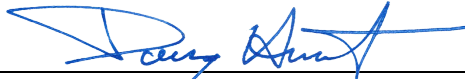
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January 19, 2021 Meeting Minutes

The next board of commissioners meeting will be held virtually on January 25th, 2021 at 3:00 p.m. held virtually.

The meeting adjourned at 4:13 p.m.

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

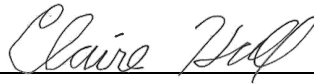
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DOUG HUNT, Chair

Excused

KAETY JACOBSON, Commissioner



CLAIRE HALL, Commissioner