

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200

TUESDAY, MARCH 25, 2025

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, March 25, 2025.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Director; Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster; Steve Wills, Linn County Planning and Building Director; Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department; Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff; Brandon Fountain, Captain Patrol Division, Linn County Sheriff's Office; Gene Karandy, County Attorney for Linn County; Stacey Whaley, Linn County Parks and Recreation Director; Rebecca Grizzle, Executive Director, Lebanon Chamber of Commerce; other audience members attending the Public Hearing and Alex Paul, Linn County Communications Officer.

- 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; Will Tucker, Vice-Chair and Commissioner Sherrie Sprenger were present, as well as, Darrin Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer and Marsha Meyer, 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 March 18, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to approve the March 18, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Reports of Staff and Committees:
- A. Juvenile Department Update Torri Lynn, Linn County Juvenile Director.

Mr. Lynn provided the Board with a Juvenile Department Update for the month of February, 2025. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

Mr. Lynn informed the Board that the Juvenile Detention Center's Program Manager had been out due to medical issues and that Amanda McMasters was currently filling in for him.

He then discussed with the Board the investigations involving the Oregon Youth Authority (OYA) which continue to unfold. The perspective of the County Juvenile Departments across the State was, although OYA was an expensive portion of the system, the County Juvenile Departments serve 90 percent of the youth in the Juvenile Justice System. Mr. Lynn stated that he continues to put forward the message to the State Representatives and Senators that the County Juvenile Departments do the majority of the work.

- 7. Road Department Wayne Mink, Linn County Roadmaster.
- A. Roadmaster's Report 2025 Overlay Project.

Mr. Wink reviewed his Roadmaster's Report with the Board and stated that they had received eight bids. The low bid was for \$694,378.82 from North Santiam Paving Co. Mr. Mink recommended that the Board accept and award the bid for the 2025 Overlay Project to North Santiam Paving Co.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to accept the Linn County Roadmaster's 2025 Overlay Project bid award recommendation as submitted and described by Roadmaster Mink. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Correspondence: There was no correspondence to come before the Board.
- 9. 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.

- 10. Unfinished Business and General Orders:
- A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars.

- 11. New Business: There was no new business to come before the Board.
- 12. Announcements: There was no announcements.
- 13. 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.

Commissioner Nyquist recessed the regular Board meeting at 9:42 a.m.

Commissioner Nyquist reconvened the regular Board meeting at 10:00 a.m.

14. Public Hearing – PD24-0416: An application by Brooke Knutzen representing Pacific Northwest Pirate Nation for a Level 3A (L3A) Outdoor Assembly Permit to conduct a five-day outdoor pirate festival event (Port Nassau) – Alyssa Boles, Planning Manager, Linn County Planning and Building Department.

Commissioner Nyquist asked the Board if they had any conflict of interest or exparte' communication in regard to this matter and they replied that they had none. Commissioner Nyquist then reviewed the hearing process for the audience members.

Commissioner Nyquist called upon Ms. Boles to review her Staff Report with the Board. A copy of her Staff Report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that on these types of hearings there would be a check off from multiple interests such as the Fire Department, Sheriff's Office, Oregon Liquor and Cannabis Commission (OLCC), Public Health Department and Road Department. He asked Ms. Boles if there were written submissions from those agencies and Ms. Boles stated that none of the reviewing authorities had submitted written comments regarding the application. He then asked if there was a time frame in which the Board needed to make a decision and Ms. Boles replied that the Board's decision for this event had to be issued by Tuesday, May 20, 2025.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that, on page three of the Staff Report under ORS 580.400–Permit Standards regarding noise control, it listed electronically amplified sound and she asked if that meant no speakers after 11:00 p.m. on weekends and 10:00 p.m. on weekdays. Ms. Boles deferred her question to Gene Karandy, County Attorney for Linn County, because that Code had recently been updated to include the amplified noise code. Mr. Karandy stated that provisions in the Outdoor Assembly Code would control noise during the assembly under the permit and if there was any electronic noise outside of that permit it would be covered by the noise ordinance. Commissioner Sprenger asked, should the application be approved, would there be no amplified sound after 10 p.m. on weekdays and 11:00 p.m. on weekends and Mr. Karandy concurred. Commissioner Sprenger then asked Ms. Boles if that would have a bearing on this issue since the property was Exclusive Farm Use (EFU) and Ms. Boles stated that it would be allowed.

Commissioner Nyquist then called upon the Applicant.

Brooke Knutzen, 31293 Allen Lane, Tangent, OR 97389 – Applicant.

Ms. Knutzen started off by stating that they would not have any amplified music at their event and they would not be running electricity as it's a re-enactment of a time when there was no electricity.

Ms. Knutzen stated that there was a lot of history associated with them due to the other festival. She stated that part of the reason they broke off from that group was because of their unsafe practices. She stated that she had worked for a non-profit for a long time and worked for 15 years running special missions in Iraq and was a disabled combat veteran; safety and risk management were her number one priority. Ms. Knutzen stated that their event was a charity event and no one gets paid.

Ms. Knutzen stated that they try hard to address all safety concerns and work with the fire department. All the services in Linn County had been great and willing to work with them. She then asked the Board if they had any questions.

Commissioner Tucker stated that this event was on EFU land and the concerns the Board had in the past was returning that land back to its use and the impact that this event may have on that land and neighboring land and practices. He mentioned the Bi-Mart Willamette Music Festival where there were concerns by farmers about getting their large equipment up and down the road safely. He then asked Ms. Knutzen what crop they produced on their EFU farm land and she stated that it had been grass seed but they were changing the crop to an orchard with different fruit as she was allergic to grass.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that, as she went through the packet, she saw the liability insurance they had in 2024 but did not see one for this year. Ms. Knutzen stated that it was on hold until they were approved because they did not want to pay for it if they didn't get approved for the event. Commissioner Sprenger asked if Ms. Knutzen was aware that liability insurance was a requirement and she replied yes. Mr. Karandy stated that the applicant had 30 days before the event to provide proof of insurance.

Commissioner Sprenger then asked what an SCA event was and Ms. Knutzen stated that it was a Society Creative Anachronism; it's a medieval group with festivals held all over the United States. She stated that they had been involved with them in the past, however, they are very accurate on their history so participating in their group was very expensive because you had to have accurate period costumes and specialty canvas tents. Ms. Knutzen stated that their event embraced everyone and did not require those expensive purchases.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that she had heard they had moved away from the other organization but one concern she heard about that event was the police were not welcomed on the grounds. Ms. Knutzen stated that, when the police were called, they were told it was "our deal not theirs". Ms. Knutzen also stated that she had already sent

a letter to the Sheriff's Office stating that they were welcomed on their property for any reason at any time.

Commissioner Tucker stated that he wanted to discuss the sale of alcohol at the event, compliance with OLCC monitoring and whether or not people would be able to wonder through the property with alcohol because he got the sense that people would be able to bring in their own alcohol. He asked what their plan was to control and manage alcohol consumption at the campsites. Ms. Knutzen stated their alcohol vendor has an OLCC license and worked through the County to get permitted; they're responsible for monitoring their sales and consumption. She stated that they do allow people to bring in their own alcohol to their campsite and their IDs are checked.

Commissioner Tucker then asked about the plan for first-aid tents and wanted to know the level of medical skill they'd have on site. Ms. Knutzen stated that she was an EMT in the military and had worked in disability services. They have registered nurses and EMT's who run the medical site and everyone has to be trained. Last year, Ms. Knutzen stated they had to call for an ambulance for a medical emergency and they were able to get through to the event. They have volunteers walking around with radios who are first-aid and CPR trained and she is a Red Cross first-aid trainer.

Next, Commissioner Tucker asked Ms. Knutzen about their security plan and staffing and what they'd do for night security. Ms. Knutzen stated that they would have a full security staff and her husband is in charge of medical, security and the health and safety team. They've done crowd training, as required by the fire department, and have a specialist on the team whose trained them in conflict resolution. Ms. Knutzen stated that they do not allow drugs on the site and were prepared to handle that issue. She stated they run 24-hours a day, do incident reports and document any issues. We don't allow people to drive off site at night because we're worried about people drinking and driving; once they're on site, they are on site.

Commissioner Sprenger also had questions about security. She wanted to know about the perimeter of the event property, the ingress and egress, how they planned on stopping people from leaving and how many security members would they have working. Ms. Knutzen stated that they were surrounded by the Calapooia River so they only have one entrance to their property or, in an emergency, they could go through their neighbor's property. During the event, they would have staffing at the entrance at all times. Commissioner Sprenger asked how many security staff members they would have and Ms. Knutzen stated they would have 12 dedicated staff members and six volunteers roving around at all times 24-hours a day. Commissioner Sprenger asked if their security would be taking into consideration the neighboring properties so there's no trespassing and Ms. Knutzen stated yes; if anyone trespassed, they would be gone and never come back.

Ms. Knutzen stated that they don't allow fires on the ground; even a camp stove has to be inspected by the fire marshal. She didn't want her property or anyone else's property to burn down.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that he would attempt to view this application on its merit and make a decision accordingly. He stated that, looking at the application, the Sanitary Facilities plan referenced the Pirate Festival, as well as, the Tortuga Nights Pirate Festival. Ms. Knutzen stated that they have two events a year and the other one is in October, 2025. Commissioner Nyquist asked what they would do with this application as it didn't reference any future events. Ms. Knutzen stated it was the same plan for both events.

Commissioner Nyquist asked if Pacific Northwest Pirate Nation was a legal entity. Ms. Knutzen stated it's a 501(c)(3). Commissioner Nyquist stated that he's heard there had been conversations with the fire department; and, whatever their position was on this matter, she should have something in writing from them. If something goes wrong, it becomes a he said/she said and that concerned him.

Commissioner Nyquist asked Ms. Knutzen about the non-permitted event she had last year. He stated that, in the County Code, a history of non-compliance was consideration for not granting a permit. He asked if she knew that when she went forward with that event last year. Ms. Knutzen stated she did know that and stated that the event was going to be in Creswell on a state site but, due to a windstorm which knocked down a bunch of trees and caused a lot of damage, they were no longer allowed to have their event there. At the last minute, they had to find somewhere to have the event and, unfortunately, all the money had been invested so she had to make a decision; was she going to lose her home or have the event. Ms. Knutzen stated, financially, she had to make that choice and just pay the fines; she knew it wasn't her brightest moment but she had to make a choice out of two bad situations as it would've cost her \$100,000.

Commissioner Nyquist asked if there was alcohol at the non-permitted event and Ms. Knutzen stated yes, however, she still worked with the County departments to make the event safe. He then asked if there was a vendor who served alcohol or did people just bring in their own. Ms. Knutzen stated that alcohol was sold and people had their personal alcohol at their campsite. Commissioner Nyquist stated that the issue of noncompliance was in the Code for a reason and the Board actually added it to be consistent with OLCC regulations. He stated that, as he looked at the map in the application, he didn't think one would get an OLCC permit for alcohol without indicating the service area; outside alcohol cannot not be co-mingled. Ms. Knutzen stated she was not involved in the permitting of a vendor. The vendor's OLCC person came out and inspected them and she said she didn't know the ends and outs of that but knew they complied with the requirements to put on the event. Commissioner Nyquist stated that one of the things the Board would need to have would be the details from the alcohol vendor and information about the area where they would be serving. There would need to be separate security outside that area. Ms. Knutzen stated she understood it's a risk and concern and she would provide the Board with their detailed plan.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that, looking at the color-coded key on the map for the event, the biggest blocked area was marked land grant. Ms. Knutzen stated that was the area for personal camping.

Commissioner Nyquist then asked if there was anyone else wishing to speak in support of the application.

Debi Roam - 4395 Herman, Eugene, OR - Support.

Ms. Roam stated that she started in the SCA and worked with the other pirate event as a senior staff member. She stated that she jumped ship when it went wrong and has been working with this organizer since they started; she recently joined the Board of Directors. Ms. Roam stated that, in her professional life, she had been a federal agent for 26 years and now worked for the Lane County District Attorney's office in enforcement for child support.

In regard to security, Ms. Roam stated that they would be walking around 24 hours and security members would always have med kits and walkie talkies; communication between staff, volunteers and management was continual. She stated that they have people to deal with crisis intervention if something goes wrong. In regard to fire, they are really particular about how many inches off the ground it needs to be, however, if the fire department didn't say it's was good to go then they wouldn't do it. Ms. Roam stated that they had taken all these things into consideration and safety was a big one. As soon as they know someone is questionable, they are watching them. She stated that, in regard to background checks and safety, they background check everyone to make sure they're not harboring felons or making available small children to those they shouldn't be around; it's a family event. Ms. Roam stated that they do not have amplified music/electricity because everything is supposed to be how it was in the 1700's. We use little lanterns, play fiddles and violins and everyone is laughing and having fun. I don't know how we could do it any better and this organizer rocks at it.

Laura Rasmussen, 440 NE Cottonwood Drive, Bremerton, WA – Support.

Ms. Rasmussen stated that her background was in working with foster children; 30-40 kids throughout time who've been mildly delinquent. She also has had 30 years as a legal secretary/assistant so getting things right and legal were the things she valued, as well as, protecting children and people's rights. Ms. Rasmussen stated that she got involved 12 years ago with the former event management and quit going when their values didn't align anymore with her values. She got involved with this organizer when she found their values did align with hers in regard to their concern for safety and valuing humans. This organizer is welcoming to people with ADA issues and tries hard to make it easier for them to participate. Ms. Rasmussen stated, in regard to fire, there hadn't been any fires because of the concerns for setting something on fire. A group went to the fire department for training on how to appropriately use a fire extinguisher and to find out what was required. They also interface with the fire department every day during the events. The Sheriff's Office had only been called there twice at each event because someone stole a trailer, it had nothing to do with the organizers, and the other incident was with a neighbor. Ms. Rasmussen stated that there hadn't been a reason to call the Sheriff's Office and noted that signs clearly mark to stay out of the neighbor's property and they put up "no trespassing" signs. Ms. Rasmussen stated there was a concern one neighbor had regarding patrons crossing his easement to get to the river and they told the patrons to not cross; they completely blocked that area off.

When the neighbor saw that he said they could go ahead and use his easement. She stated that that was the kind of relationship they want to have with the neighbors; tell us what we can do so you are comfortable with our event. Ms. Rasmussen stated that they had a person walking around with a decimal meter to make sure that they weren't above an appropriate decimal level so not to disturb the neighbors. The organizers are concerned about everyone and that's what keeps her involved.

Ms. Rasmussen stated that the organizers spent \$7,000 for a security team at one of their events when a patron was threatened; that's how seriously they take the safety of their people. She stated that alcohol is served and consumed but they have things in place that if someone gets out of line and doesn't comply, they don't come back.

Commissioner Nyquist asked Ms. Rasmussen, in reference to the decimal level, what the number was and she stated that she didn't know as the guy that took the reading was not there but she knew it was below the maximum allowed. The neighbor that they were most concerned about told them how good they were and that he didn't hear them. She was happy about that as it's a major concern whether or not they're disturbing their neighbors.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that there were three individuals listed on the sign-in sheet who indicated they wanted to speak and he assumed they were opposed but they hadn't indicated that on the sign-in sheet.

Forrest Reid, 31405 Allen Lane, Tangent, OR 97389 - Opposed.

Mr. Reid stated that he wanted to address the Board in three sections and provide them with background information. He then pointed to a map of the event area. A copy of the map is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

Mr. Reid pointed out on the map where the LBCC was located and where Allen Lane and Looney Lane were located. He then pointed out where the closest fire hydrant was located which is one mile from the site of the festival. He pointed to the two-lane road and where his property and Rob Simmons' property was located and indicated the location of another property owner, Brandon Hess, who was not present for the hearing but he and his mother had asked Mr. Reid to speak on their behalf. Next, Mr. Reid pointed out the property of Dean and Kathy Schrock, who has two hazelnut orchards, and he stated that they also asked him to address their concerns on their behalf. He then noted a rye grass field owned by Cody Younger who also asked Mr. Reid to speak on his behalf. Mr. Reid stated that Stan Boshart owned the property to the north and was at today's meeting. He then continued to review the map and noted other property owners.

Mr. Reid stated that, when the Applicant says that the property is surrounded by the Calapooia River on three sides of their property, they're correct. He stated that there is one exit and entrance point and noted the location on the map. Mr. Reid stated that from his driveway he had measured the road and it was 10-13 feet wide. He stated that his issue was not with the noise or the concept of the event; but, was in regard to the health and safety of the community, their property and the 1,200 attendees. Mr. Reid

stated that the Board should also be concerned about those matters as written in the Ordinance. There was also a concern regarding fire danger.

Mr. Reid stated that gravel was now being put down on the sides of the road but the sides have steep angles and the issue was the chock holds on the road where there is only one way to get 1,200 people in and out of the event. He continued to make references to the map. Mr. Reid stated he had questions that he would appreciate if the Board would ask the Applicant in order to get clarification from them.

He then stated that, in a past festival, it was mentioned that they spent \$7,000 for a security firm; how much are they spending for a security firm this year? A second issue was the liability insurance. Mr. Reid stated that he reviewed the liability insurance which was \$2 million dollars and he could guarantee that that would not be enough. The insurance company wasn't going to say that, if the Applicant burnt down his property, that it wouldn't be covered because the insurance would be for instances that occur on site. If a neighbor's house burned down, it would be in excess of \$2 million dollars so that liability insurance, even if it was extended over to the neighbor's property, would not be enough to cover the costs. Mr. Reid indicated, on the map, that all around the Applicant's home the property would be tender dry in June and stated that the Board's job was to protect, not only someone who wants to have a festival, but the lives and property of the attendees and the surrounding owners and farm land.

Mr. Reid then stated that the second question he would like the Board to ask the Applicant was in regard to their statement of a "no return list" for people who caused problems at the festival. He stated that he would like to know how many people made that list from last year and how many would not be allowed to return this year. Mr. Reid stated that he was really surprised when the Applicant stated that they could perform background checks on everyone in attendance; he questioned that knowing he had done that for many years in his career and it was difficult and costly to do. He stated that they wouldn't be able to carry out a search on all the vehicles coming in and out of that location and be able to prohibit firearms. They won't be able to confiscate any illicit drugs that would be brought into the festival and/or used in a confined location. Mr. Reid stated that, at the last festival, he knew there was marijuana being used but he wasn't sure of any other drugs. He asked the Board to take that into consideration.

Mr. Reid then asked the Board to consider the Applicant's statement that security would be walking around the festival 24/7 and asked for clarification on that; did it mean that they have those 18 people throughout the 24-hour day or the same people working 24 hrs., 7 days a week.

Mr. Reid stated that the Applicant had indicated that they did not allow any kind of fires; he disagreed with that blanket statement; to say that there are no flames, when he knew they didn't ban smoking marijuana or cigarettes so there had to be a flame for that, as well as, he's heard them talk about cooking food. When they say they don't allow any kind of fire, that's not accurate.

Mr. Reid asked the Board to ask the Applicant if all the 400 cars for 1,200 people would be parked on site. He stated that last year, to the best of his knowledge, all cars were

parked on site for the first festival. At the second festival, he estimated 200-300 additional cars were parked at the LBCC parking lot and they were transported back and forth to the festival. He asked the Board to find out if all the cars would be contained at that location or are they finding other property where they would shuttle people back and forth all the time. Mr. Reid stated that the application made it appear that the cars would be self-contained on site.

Mr. Reid then read to the Board his written statement. A copy is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioner Staff File which outlined some of what he had already discussed with the Board.

Mr. Reid stated that, after the first festival, he and two neighbors appeared before the Board in early July, 2024 and expressed their concerns regarding health and safety issues. He and his neighbors did not ask the Board to stop the event from occurring because they realized that the Board, under the authority they had last year, didn't have authority to stop that festival. The Board did recognize, at that time, the Ordinance didn't make it very clear that another festival was not allowed to be on the same property within 90-days of that first July, 2024 festival and everyone, including the Applicant, understood that. Mr. Reid stated that he had spoken to the Applicant back then and told them that they needed to follow the law. He stated that, at the unauthorized second festival in September, 2024, it was more efficient for the Applicant to pay the \$2,000 fine than to comply with the agency directive. How long are we going to allow them to do a cost-benefit analysis; will the fine be \$4,000 or \$6,000 next time. Mr. Reid stated that he heard the Applicant say she had a \$100,000 invested in the event and somewhere there has to be a limit. He stated that, if the Board denied this application, was the Applicant going to thumb her nose at them and say tough, we're still going to do it. He was surprised that they had the second festival knowing they did it without a permit. Mr. Reid stated that the Board should take into account what the Applicant did last time; the ordinance allows you to do that.

Mr. Reid stated that after the unauthorized second festival and after recognizing the lack of clarity and ineffective enforcement authority within that ordinance, Gene Karandy, County Council, drafted a new ordinance which covered upcoming festivals. Mr. Reid stated that he believed that Pirate Nation would be before the Board again, in the near future, seeking approval for another festival in October, 2025.

Lastly, Mr. Reid reminded the Board that the fire hydrant was one mile away from the event site and that his other neighbors, who weren't able to be at the hearing, were also concerned about fire danger and had asked him to express their desire for the Board to not approve this application. He stated that he would have a difficult time thinking of a more confined location in Linn County which could pose a fire threat by allowing 1,200 people on the property. There is no more unsafe location than this location. Mr. Reid stated that, if the County was allowed to build that road today, it wouldn't be allowed because it wouldn't meet the standards for emergency vehicles to access that property. The Applicant was asking you to sign off on a 5-day festival that would draw over 1,000 people who are role playing pirates with alcohol in the middle of an EFU land during fire season and relying on a 13-foot-wide single road with the ingress and egress to the property through a single gated entrance. Mr. Reid stated that the Board had the final

say as to whether this event was safe to their community, surrounding farmers and to the attendees of the festival. He asked the Board to please deny their request for this permit.

Commissioner Sprenger asked Mr. Reid to clarify his comment about the event set up and tear down period. Mr. Reid stated that last year's ordinance allowed a 5-day set up, independent of the 5-day set up and then a 3-day tear down. He stated that he could assure the Board that on Monday morning at 7:00 a.m., prior to the festival starting, there were cars and trucks lined up and driving down the road hauling all their stuff 5-days prior to the festival. Mr. Reid stated that, in their application, he saw what was now being proposed, a two-day set up and he thought the ordinance still said 3-day tear down. Mr. Reid stated that the Applicant would say, no, we don't have anything going on during that time; however, there are still people hanging around and getting there early; we have witnesses to that.

Stan Boshart, 34877 Knox Butte Rd E., Albany, OR 97322 - Opposed.

Mr. Boshart stated he was a farmer and spends his entire summer worrying if his combine will start a fire. Mr. Boshart stated that he wasn't sure if the festival property was EFU. He has to base his EFU status off of the thousands of dollars of gross income he takes in per year whether or not he has three specialty events. If I'm involved or knowingly break the law and requirements with any of my farming practices, I'll be out of business. He couldn't believe that someone applied and said, well, we'll do something else.

Mr. Boshart then addressed the traffic issue. He spent two weeks heading to his field knowing that there would be anywhere from 2-20 cars waiting; they would stack up cars and move them in and then stack up cars again. He referenced how the Willamette Music Festival would park cars in an empty field instead of 10 miles of blocked roads. With there being parked cars alongside the road he has to get his farm equipment by them. Mr. Boshart stated that at the last event he had a person in his driveway who was motioning people forward and to stop. He stated that he couldn't do that when he's moving his combine because he isn't a trained traffic controller; are their people trained for traffic control? Mr. Boshart stated that it was borderline kidnapping to stop a car without being a trained traffic controller. For the 15 days of the festival, he knew he would have to wait in line to get to his own driveway and stated that, at the Willamette Music Festival, people drove in and stayed there for the entire event. He couldn't pass them because the line stopped past his driveway and he would be on the wrong side of traffic so he had to sit there and wait. He stated that he wasn't against anyone having fun but the two questions he had was that he couldn't base his EFU status on special events because it had to be agriculture and he couldn't believe they're applying for a second application when they knowingly broke the requirement of their second event. Based on those two things, he didn't know how their application could be passed. Mr. Boshart stated that he was urging the Board to say no on this application.

Ron Simmons, 31415 Allen Lane, Albany, OR 97389, Tangent, OR - Opposed.

Mr. Simmons stated that he and Mr. Reid had met with the Applicant last year, prior to the first event, and there had been some arrangements made, on good faith, of what was or was not going to occur.

Mr. Simmons stated that the Applicant's property was at the end of the road and the event would be at the time of season when crops were being cut and laid out to dry and pastures would be dry. He has 12 acres that is just tall grass and, when it dries out, it's a significant fire hazard. He also has 500-600 trees on his property with a lot of old growth oak in the back section that adjoins to the Applicant's property. In regard to the gate, it's a section of T-post they took out and cut the fence out to allow access to the river. Mr. Simmons stated that he had opened his property and didn't have a problem with allowing the Applicant to walk around the back section.

Mr. Simmons raised some of the risks involving fire and security. He stated that he's heard a lot about fire prevention and the fire department coming on site to do an assessment and, yes, you can drive a fire truck down that road, as well as, any other apparatus; however, he wanted to put it into context that the event would be like placing the entire population of the City of Tangent (just over 1,200) into a 40-acre parcel along with 400 cars. Another example would be going into a theater with 200-300 people and there's an incipient fire where there's smoke and everyone has to evacuate; in that case you would have one to four exits to go to. In this case, you have 1,200 people to egress out of one gate down a 12-foot span of roadway while trying to get fire trucks down there; where are they going to go? It's a river locked property with one ingress and egress. Mr. Simmons stated that it was about a massive evacuation of people trying to get out. He stated that the gate the Applicant was talking about as a secondary emergency access was an opening between the two properties that they use to get down to the river; it is not an emergency evacuation point and there's nowhere on the river that would occupy 1,200 people.

Mr. Simmons then provided the Board with a map of an aerial view of the entire property from last year's event of 1,500 people. A copy of the map is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File. Mr. Simmons stated that the map showed the scope and scale of what the Applicant was asking the Board to permit. When you have an incipient then what? As the fire continues to grow and expand all the airborne particles were going to land in their fields. Then the winds pick up and starts to push and that becomes the issue and the risk. You'll have a massive evacuation with a flood of people, which won't be orderly, trying to grab their belongings and get to their cars. Mr. Simmons stated that he would argue that the resources available from the Tangent Fire Department weren't equipped for that and neither was the land. He stated there are venues for these types of events and he would propose the question of why they aren't afforded other venue areas such as the Linn County Fair/Expo or Timber Linn field; why at this location?

Mr. Simmons then provided his personal experiences and what he had seen. The Applicant stated that no one trespasses; he stated that that was not entirely true. He had trail cameras all along the backside of his property and, on three separate

occasions, there were people coming through the gate and trespassing onto his property. One night, there were close to 30 people that came through the gate and used his campground on the back of his property for a good hour. On one occasion there was a female who was so intoxicated that she stumbled and fell down and then vomited on a log which was caught on the trail camera. Mr. Simmons stated that, on the day of the tear down and on two separate occasions, people came carrying containers and dumped the liquid from those containers onto his property; it wasn't just dumped over the fence but they walked in through the gate and came around to the back side and dumped the contents.

Mr. Simmons stated that he had significant concern about the risk to human life, if in the event something happened, he didn't see the resources there. He stated that he had a background in law enforcement and his current remit he covers first response; fast response which covers arms, fire and EMT. He looks for failure points, liability, risk and contingencies. In this case, there was more risk than liability because this land was not intended for this kind of event. If there was a principal access point and then a secondary access point that could provide some reasonable evacuation, Mr. Simmons stated that he then could understand it.

Mr. Simmons stated that the application outlined the festival on their property and alluded to the river. There are festival goers accessing the river regularly and, on any given day, there's probably 20-30 people down there. You couple that with alcohol and the risk goes up; whose monitoring that? On one occasion, he was clearing some brush out on the back part of his property and he could smell cannabis. You couple that with relaxed inhibitions and people's thoughts get a little crazy and who knows what could happen. Mr. Simmons stated that he's bringing these situations to the Board for their consideration because they're valid points; everything looks good on a piece of paper and everyone has a plan until they get smacked in the mouth. He stated that the risks outweigh what they're trying to do and this wasn't the place for it.

Mr. Simmons stated that the Applicant talked about festival goers coming in and not leaving; that's not the case; there are vehicles coming and going all the time. There's a 7-Eleven store which is the principal point for them to get groceries. He stated that he's gone to that 7-Eleven to get coffee and there would be 10-15 people in there; you'd be lucky to find a bag of ice during the festival. One night when he was driving home about 1:30 a.m., he nearly hit someone because there were three or four people walking down the roadway wearing dark clothing and there's no easement for them to walk on and no lights in that area. He stated that he understood that they're not going to get all the vehicles onto the property so they utilize LBCC's parking but that's the point where they take them back and forth. This isn't them just showing up and staying on the property for seven days, they're coming and going and there's constant traffic flow. Mr. Simmons stated that he supported what they were doing but didn't support it being in that location; the risks and liability was too high and there was a lot of unknowns and, coupled with alcohol, things could go from bad to worse. One life or one injury is too much.

Mr. Simmons then asked the Board to seriously consider the risks and liability with this application and not set precedent with something like this; it's not the place and it is not equipped for this type of event and the resources were not there.

Commissioner Sprenger pointed to a road on the map and asked Mr. Simmons if that was the entrance. Mr. Simmons stated no and then pointed out the entrance to her. She then asked Mr. Simmons if he reported the three separate reports of trespassing to the Sheriff's Office and if they would have a record of them. Mr. Simmons replied no. He stated that he hadn't looked at the trail cameras until a week after the event

Commissioner Nyquist asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in opposition or anyone who didn't get to speak; he believed they would leave the record open for written comments.

Commissioner Nyquist then asked if there was anyone wishing to speak as a neutral party or have a comment in either support or opposition.

Dennis Kites, property owner next to the Applicant - Opposition.

Mr. Kites stated that, last year, he couldn't get into his driveway because the road was so blocked and he had to wait a half an hour just to get to his house. They would stop him and let other people in and out so it was an inconvenience just to leave and to get home. Mr. Kites stated that his concern was that, if there was an accident there was no way he could get out safely and then he would be trapped. In regard to there being no fires, he stated that he lives right there and he saw smoke. He's surrounded by trees and he has horses and if something happened how would they get out. Mr. Kites stated that he tried to talk to the Applicant and they wouldn't talk to him that day so he was a little threatening and they called the cops on him. The cops talked to him and there were no charges made but he did have to deal with the law about being blocked out of his own property.

Commissioner Nyquist then stated that he would offer the Applicant time for rebuttal.

Commissioner Tucker asked Commissioner Nyquist if they could to take a five-minute break.

Commissioner Nyquist recessed the Public Hearing at 11:43 a.m.

Commissioner Nyquist reconvened the Public Hearing at 11:50 a.m.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that they were reconvening the Public Hearing for PD24-0416. They had heard from the Applicant, supporters, opponents and an additional general comment. He then stated that the Applicant would have an opportunity for rebuttal.

Brooke Knutzen, Applicant - Rebuttal.

Ms. Knutzen stated that there were a lot of good points made and she wanted to address them.

She apologized to Dennis Kites for the cops being called on him but whenever there's a threat of gun violence, she doesn't have a choice. She also apologized for people trespassing on Mr. Simmons' property; she was not aware and stated that, if Mr. Simmons wanted to provide her with the trail camera footage, she would make sure those individuals weren't allowed back to any event.

Ms. Knutzen stated that it was hard when people have said things but they're not there to hear directly from them. If someone wants to speak on behalf of someone else that they, technically, have to have a notarized statement or affidavit; you just can't say you're speaking on behalf of someone else. Ms. Knutzen stated that one of the neighbors, the Hess', come to their events and love it.

Next, Ms. Knutzen commented on the one-way direction flaggers. That wasn't something that they did on their own but it was required by the fire department and police. She stated that they may not have to do that this year because they were actually widening the road and in order to get two cars down the one-way road and there was a pull-off in case there was an emergency so cars could pull off to the side. Ms. Knutzen stated the Road Department was out there yesterday and they were working on the road. The Road Department said that its one of those roads that gets forgotten because there's not many people in that area but, when they looked at it for the event, they realized it needed some work and wasn't up to compliance. In regard to parking cars and transporting them to the festival from LBCC, they won't be doing that this year because it added to the number of people on the road. Ms. Knutzen stated that the maximum they would have at the event this year was 1,200 and, once they hit the maximum number of cars, they'd close. The maximum number of cars would also include trailers. She stated that, typically, it would be the entrance and exit days where they would see more people and they try to stagger their entrance based on the type of ticket. Ms. Knutzen stated this year they would be having someone on site selling ice so people wouldn't have to go to the 7-Eleven.

In regard to fire, Ms. Knutzen apologized that she didn't mean that they'd have no flame but meant they wouldn't allow campfires on the grounds, even though the fire department allows them, they'd be fine with disallowing them. Any lantern has to be battery powered. Smoking is allowed only in a designated area that would have an extinguisher, ash trays and butt cans.

Debi Roam stated that when, cooking food on a camp stove, everyone has to have two sources to put out the fire such as a fire extinguisher and a five-gallon bucket of water/sand. Ms. Knutzen stated that there would be 12 different stations with fire extinguishers, shovels and anything needed to put out a fire. They rent three-four water trucks so there would be water on site and they would notify the neighbors of that. In regard to vendors, the fire department requires a specific fire extinguisher and the other fire extinguishers are not just the standard ones.

Ms. Knutzen referred to Mr. Simmons statement that they could use his space so, if there was an emergency, they would have two ways out; otherwise, there's just one way in and out just like other properties they've used. She stated that they have an evacuation plan and all the staff members practice and participate in the plan every time they set up.

In regard to the set-up and tear-down times, Ms. Knutzen stated that the event set-up time would start on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 and they wouldn't have an extra tear-down day; they would tear-down on Monday, June 23, 2025. She stated that there are family members coming from out-of-state attending the festival and would still be there one or two days after the event.

Ms. Knutzen stated that, in regard to security, they did not have private security last year but would be willing to hire private security again if that's what they needed to do.

Commissioner Sprenger thanked Ms. Knutzen for her clarifications on some issues and asked her if this event was something that she could attend and Ms. Knutzen stated she could if she purchased a ticket ahead of time; they only do pre-sales in order to vet who's coming and to know how many people to expect. Commissioner Sprenger then asked, if at the last minute her husband wanted to attend and he just showed up at the gate to pay for a ticket, would he be allowed. Ms. Knutzen stated that they don't take any money at the gate. Commissioner Sprenger then asked how they would be able to do a background check on him. Ms. Knutzen stated that they check people's records online and pay for a background service. If they get a complaint on someone and they didn't see anything on the background check because it had happened 20 years ago, they would pay for someone else to do an investigation. Ms. Roam stated that she had been with the federal service and was a Subject Matter Expert in cyber foot printing and could trace anyone with three points of information in about three seconds; she has access to a lot of tools. Commissioner Sprenger asked if she was doing that on the participants and Ms. Roam stated that she could do that. Ms. Knutzen stated that, on the ticket purchase, the participants agree to having a background check.

Commissioner Tucker stated that Ms. Knutzen had said the Road Department was widening the road and asked if they were widening the road by putting gravel on the shoulders and Ms. Knutzen stated yes. Commissioner Tucker clarified whether or not they widened the paved surface. Ms. Knutzen stated they're making it flatter. Commissioner Tucker then asked about the 800-vehicle limit and Ms. Knutzen corrected by saying it's a 400-vehicle limit. She stated that vehicles have to be registered ahead of time; if its not registered, it can't come on the property. Commissioner Tucker asked if an RV would be counted as a second vehicle and Ms. Knutzen stated, yes, an RV would be included in the vehicle count.

Commissioner Tucker asked Ms. Knutzen about the fire access. He stated that he had attended several of the Willamette Music Festival events to try to see how road access could be improved. The problem was, when people were leaving and heading home, it took hours for them to get off the property and that's without there being a fire. Commissioner Tucker stated he was worried about the potential for field fires or a cigarette igniting the grass. He stated that Ms. Knutzen mentioned they had a policy

and practice so he asked what she would do in those situations when there would be 400 vehicles wanting to get out at the same time fire rigs were arriving and needed to get in. Ms. Knutzen stated that their evacuation plan is that they would have to walk out and the meeting place was at LBCC. Commissioner Tucker stated that she mentioned two places and Ms. Knutzen stated the other exit would only be used if there was an emergency. She stated that was the agreement they had with Mr. Simmons last year but she would have to talk with him about that for this year. Commissioner Nyquist stated that, even with that, didn't that mean the traffic would still end up with access to Allen Lane and Ms. Knutzen stated yes. Commissioner Nyquist stated that he wasn't sure there was a two-lane version of Allen Lane. Ms. Knutzen stated that it goes from one-lane to two-lanes at the 'S' and then 500-600 feet of that is one lane.

Commissioner Sprenger asked Ms. Knutzen about the security staff and if she had a written policy stating that staff could not be drinking or under the influence while working security and Ms. Knutzen stated that they did have a policy regarding that. She stated that they banned two people last year; one who had been drinking and could not control himself and they are no longer allowed to be on site. Commissioner Nyquist asked how many people were involved in their security last year per event. Ms. Knutzen stated that she would have to look up the total number as they don't have people on 24-hrs a day; people switch on and off. She stated that the four-lead people work in four hour shifts and they have people under them and then there's six volunteers that work on two-hour shifts. Ms. Knutzen stated that they have a pool of extra volunteers that, if someone came on shift intoxicated, someone else would cover their shift. Ms. Roam stated that they put up a volunteer sign-up list for the different positions and they have three rover positions, the front desk, and one additional person during set up days and then they add more people once the event starts; the shifts are every two hours. Ms. Knutzen stated that, on Saturday night, they have extra security staff but they would be willing to hire security if that was necessary but it was expensive and took away from the donations.

Ms. Knutzen stated that, in regard to their EFU, the \$100,000 had nothing to do with that; they have to farm to be EFU. She stated that the \$100,000 was made by the non-profit and it goes to the event or to donations; no one gets paid for their work.

Commissioner Sprenger asked Ms. Knutzen, as she pointed to an aerial map, if that was the property they've been discussing. Ms. Knutzen stated, yes, it was an aerial view of the property when they had 1,500 attendees.

Commissioner Nyquist asked about the level of their liability insurance. Ms. Knutzen stated that they could change that and she understood the neighbor's concerns. She stated that, if a fire started from a combine on a neighbor's property, would they be covering her property if it burnt down. Commissioner Nyquist stated that Ms. Knutzen talked about an evacuation plan for the participants; he envisioned people walking or running up the road so how would the neighbor's get out of their property. She stated that they try to minimize fire risks, unfortunately, she wished she could say there was zero risk; a fire could start on anyone's properties and they do the best they can.

Commissioner Nyquist asked if Ms. Knutzen had anything else as rebuttal and Ms. Knutzen stated no but, hopefully, the Board would make a decision quickly so they would have time to tell their people.

Commissioner Nyquist asked the Board if they had any other questions before closing the Public Hearing. The Board indicated no.

Commissioner Nyquist then, again, recognized Dennis Kite who stated that they were making noise until three in the morning and he didn't know if there were cannons or guns shooting off but there were loud booms. He also would like there to be a 10:00 or 11:00 p.m. curfew so he didn't have to be up all night long.

Mr. Reid stated that, since the Board allowed Mr. Kite to speak, he wanted respond to what Ms. Knutzen said about the road being expanded; it's not. He then referred to the fact that she stated they weren't going to be parking at LBCC so, are they prohibiting attendees from leaving once they come in; he didn't see that last time and they were driving back and forth all hours of the day and night.

Commissioner Nyquist stated, in fairness, Ms. Knutzen would have an opportunity to rebut and/or have no comment regarding those last two statements.

Ms. Knutzen stated that during the day they're allowed to leave the property if they need supplies. At night, they close the gate and, unless it's an emergency, they're not supposed to leave. She stated they can't prevent someone from leaving who's having a medical emergency or is ill but they do manage it and have someone at the gate in order to keep someone from drinking and driving.

Commissioner Nyquist then asked if the Sheriff or Tangent Fire Department had anything to say.

Michelle Duncan, Linn County Sheriff.

Sheriff Duncan stated that she looked over the plan and she had some concerns. She stated that she had done incident management for the Willamette Music Festival in Brownsville for a number of years so just the presence of allowing people to bring in personal alcohol had been an issue because you lose the ability to control it.

Sheriff Duncan then commented, from an emergency management perspective, that her office had done all types of evacuations whether it be up in the woods, in neighborhoods or at events. She stated that she didn't know of a good efficient way they could get 1,000 people out of the festival area safely if there was a fire or some other disaster that happened. She stated the Sheriff's Office only had a hand-full of calls during the last event and that was partially due to the fact that they weren't able to check on the property to find out what was going on because, at the same time, they were at the Fair while it was going on and their resources were tapped out. There wasn't a ton of problems reported and she wanted to state that for the record. In regard to the Applicant's evacuation plan, Sheriff Duncan stated that she wasn't comfortable

with it. Ms. Knutzen asked the Sheriff if she could work with her on that and the Sheriff said she could always reach out.

Commissioner Nyquist recognized the representative from the Tangent Fire Department.

Diego Ramirez, Representative of the Tangent Fire Department.

Mr. Ramirez stated that they would be working to implement a public safety plan should this event go forward, to make sure that everything in their area was going to be safe and that they could mitigate everything they could to the best of their ability. He stated one thing they would be discussing would be having water tenders to go along the road within the actual area of the event and dampen with water all the fuel sources from being able to jump from that area. He stated that, within the public safety plan, they would have a discussion about mitigating fuel load by going around and, potentially, looking at all the shrubbery and anything else in that specific area in order to have a break in between the properties.

Commissioner Tucker stated that he was still concerned with the fire danger. If there were four water tenders and a standing tank, given the fact that the closet fire hydrant was a mile away, had Mr. Ramirez given any thought about pre-positioning a pumper truck that could take the water and dispense it by a hose at a high volume and speed. Commissioner Tucker asked Mr. Ramirez what his thoughts were about that part of the road and how they could decrease that as a concern for him.

Mr. Ramirez stated that they had actually met with the State Fire Marshal to have a discussion about this specific event and they were working to figure out a good solution to make everything safer for them and the public. Mr. Ramirez stated that he had discussed with the Road Department about the road itself, and the Road Department had put a turnout at the one area to make sure that emergency vehicles could come in and out onto the turnout so the fire vehicles could then get into the event.

Mr. Ramirez stated that, in regard to having enough resources, the Tangent Fire Department is a volunteer station and they've talked to all of their volunteers to make sure they had enough staff to be able to go out to those events and to staff vehicles in order to have a quick response time. They also have mutual aid with all the local fire departments within their region so if there was going to be any emergent situation, right away Albany Fire and/or Corvallis Fire would be able to respond as well. Mr. Ramirez stated that they've also required traffic control and, from the conversations they've had in the past, the traffic controllers should be trained to completely stop traffic and help out emergency vehicles have access to the road. He stated that last year he was aware of a medical emergency and the ambulance had no issues arriving on the scene.

Commissioner Nyquist asked if it pleased the Board, he would close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Tucker stated that a member of the audience had asked that the record be left opened for written comments only. Commissioner Nyquist stated that they could address that but, again, asked if the Board had any objection to closing the Public Hearing. The Board responded no. Commissioner Nyquist then closed the Public Hearing.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that the Board would either begin deliberations or announce on the record when a decision would be made providing a date, time and place to continue the hearing. He stated that he didn't know if they would be getting any new information based upon what they had already heard. He then asked the Board if they wanted to discuss where to go from there.

Action – Commissioner Tucker moved and Commissioner Sprenger seconded the motion to accept into the record the Staff Report dated Friday, March 21, 2025 and a one-page single photograph from a drone or airplane of the site from a previous event. The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that she was prepared to make a decision today and, if there was a desire by the Board to leave the record opened for one week for written testimony only, she would agree to that.

Commissioner Tucker stated that he was prepared to move forward today, as well, but again, there was a member from the audience that asked that the record be left opened for a week to have an opportunity to provide a written comment.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that he had a problem approving the application. It's not a judgment on the event and he's glad they were doing something to raise money and for people to have fun but, as you look at the property and where it's located, it was an "oh no" moment for him knowing Allen Lane. He stated that years ago they had a Measure 37 claim that could've allowed a half dozen more homes in that area and the Board was concerned of the impact it could have on Allen Lane at that time. The question for the Board, in his mind, was if they were at a level of comfort with the limited ingress and egress and how that would impact the health, safety and welfare for not just the participants but the residence who live there.

Commissioner Nyquist stated that it wouldn't necessarily be anyone from the festival who could start a fire and he didn't think it was the right location to put 1,200 people with those cars at that level of infrastructure. He stated that Commissioner Tucker would remember the Willamette Country Music Festival and it was in a much larger scale and they had multiple entrances to the event and did so skirting State Land Use law and, as it related to the health, safety and welfare, it eventually got the traffic off the road but there were still problems with getting out. Commissioner Nyquist stated that he didn't know what, in short order, could be done to satisfy the deficiency with the infrastructure in regard to the ingress and egress.

Commissioner Tucker stated that he shared Commissioner Nyquist's concerns and that he wasn't sure he would ever pick a site that didn't have two exits and entrances; it worried him. Commissioner Tucker stated he was concerned about the event in the physical location with the current infrastructure that supported it and hadn't heard anything that would take away that concern. He was also concerned about the event organizer going forward with the event and just saying forget the County and their concerns; we're going to have the event any way and just pay a fine. Commissioner Tucker sated that he recognized that the Board walks a very fine line here. Farmers have rights to do things with their fields and he hates to put those things at risk and to

have an event this size. It was a challenge and the Board wrestles hard with that. He then referenced an event in Crawfordsville. Commissioner Tucker stated that, even if the Board said no, a business decision may be made to just pay the fines. Ms. Knutzen, from the audience, stated that decision would not be made.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that there was a lot of talk about fire danger. She went on to say how the Labor Day fire had impacted her and her husband. Clearly the Applicant worked really hard to mitigate what she could mitigate and that's why the map of her property was extremely significant to her and why she wanted to make sure that Ms. Knutzen agreed that that was a map of the property. Commissioner Sprenger stated that this application came down to absolutely only one thing. In in no way, shape or form would she ever be okay with there only being one ingress and egress.

Commissioner Sprenger stated that she was going to make a motion and, therefore, the record would not be left open for written comments should the motion pass. She stated that, unless there was testimony stating that the road would be different and there would be an additional approved egress, that would be the only thing that would change her mind. Commissioner Sprenger stated that she hoped the Applicant would be able to have her event but that road was just not okay; it impacts other property owners. She stated, if the road could be mitigated at some point, she could likely get on board. And, by mitigated, she meant the road would be widened and bigger and not just a turnout and more gravel. However, she still didn't know what that would mean if it was still the only entrance for two-way traffic.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved and Commissioner Tucker seconded the motion to deny PD24-0416.

Commissioner Sprenger said she knew it was heart-breaking and was sorry but she wouldn't be able to sleep tonight if she would say that would be an okay ingress and egress.

Commissioner Tucker stated he appreciated Commissioner Sprenger's motion. It's hard as he always wants to represent the homeowner's rights and look at the State law that allows for a couple of mass gatherings a year on farm property. However, he shared Commissioner Sprenger's concerns about the road and the need for a second ingress and egress and there being an established road.

The vote was called. The motion passed unanimously.

14. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m. by unanimous consent.

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, April 1, 2025.

Recorder LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS For Board of Commissioners Marsha Meyer Roger Nyquist, Chair William C. Tucker, Vice-Chair Sherrie Sprenger, Commissioner 4-22-2025

Date