



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF THE
LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
LINN COUNTY COURTHOUSE – ROOM 200
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2025**

The Linn County Board of Commissioners met for the regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 13, 2025.

Those present at various times for the matters as indicated below were: Steve Wills, Linn County Planning and Building Director; Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator; Phil Van Leuven, Deputy County Attorney for Linn County 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 and Commissioner Sherrie Sprenger were present, as well as, Darrin Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer and Marsha Meyer, Recorder for the Board of Commissioners. Will Tucker, Vice-Chair was excused.

4. Approval of Agenda.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve the agenda. The vote was called. The motion passed.

5. Approval of the May 6, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve the May 6, 2025 Commissioners' Meeting Minutes. The vote was called. The motion passed.

6. Reports of Staff and Committees:

A. Planning and Building Department Update – Steve Wills, Linn County Planning and Building Department Director.

Mr. Wills provided the Board with a Planning and Building Department Update for the month of April, 2025. A copy of his report is on file in the Linn County Clerk's Office in the Commissioners' Staff File.

Mr. Wills mentioned that his department had received one new application for the Wildfire Grant Program which would end in June, 2025.

Commissioner Nyquist asked Mr. Wills about his department's revenue. Mr. Wills stated that revenue was very good and that they're staying busy. Commissioner Sprenger asked Mr. Wills about his ability to self-generate revenue. Mr. Wills stated that his department doesn't seek revenue it's generated by the public.

Commissioner Nyquist thanked Mr. Wills and his staff for all their work.

7. Health Department – Todd Noble, Linn County Health Services Administrator.

Mr. Noble provided background information on the following items:

A. Resolution & Order 2025-069 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between Oregon State University Extension Service and Linn County.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve Resolution & Order 2025-069. The vote was called. The motion passed.

B. Resolution & Order 2025-141 approving an Amendment No. 1 to an Intergovernmental Agreement for the Intoxicated Driver Program Fund (IDPF) and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Commissioner Nyquist asked Mr. Noble what the IDPF fund was for and Mr. Noble provided an explanation and stated that, since the Linn County program hadn't received enough people for the program, the State was asking for the remaining funds to be returned to them.

Commissioner Sprenger asked if the funds could be used to install breathalyzers in cars and Mr. Noble stated that the funds were specifically for treatment.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve Resolution & Order 2025-141. The vote was called. The motion passed.

C. Resolution & Order 2025-157 approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between Lincoln County and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve Resolution & Order 2025-157. The vote was called. The motion passed.

D. Resolution & Order 2025-158 approving an Amendment No. 2 to an Intergovernmental Agreement for Occupational Therapy Services between Marion County and Linn County and delegating authority to execute originals.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to approve Resolution & Order 2025-158. The vote was called. The motion passed.

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

9. Special Orders:

A. Personnel Action Forms.

Action – Commissioner Sprenger moved to accept the Personnel Action Forms list as Exhibit 1. The vote was called. The motion passed.

10. Unfinished Business and General Orders:

A. Calendar Update: The Commissioners updated their calendars.

11. New Business: Commissioner Nyquist stated that he had a conversation with C.J. Nugent who has a well drilling business. Mr. Nugent has concerns about a Senate Bill that would impact the southwest area of Linn County. Commissioner Nyquist stated that he would give Darrin Lane, Linn County Administrative Officer, the Senate Bill number so he could discuss it with Public Affairs Council (PAC). If needed, the Board could issue a letter regarding this matter.

Commissioner Sprenger indicated that she had been engaged with this matter since the Legislative Session started and that Mr. Nugent had been in contact with her as well. She indicated that she would be willing to draft something for the Board's review and could brief PAC during the 11:00 a.m. teleconference scheduled for today, Tuesday, May 13, 2025. Discussion followed.

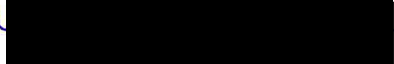
Commissioner Nyquist stated that he trusted Commissioner Sprenger's experience and instinct on the matter and that she had the Board's support. Discussion followed.

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.

14. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board; the Board of Commissioners meeting was adjourned at 9:49 a.m. by unanimous consent.

The next regular public meeting of the Board of Commissioners is scheduled at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday, May 20, 2025.

 Recorder
For Board of Commissioners
Marsha Meyer

LINN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Roger Nyquist, Chair



William C. Tucker, Vice-Chair



Sherrie Sprenger, Commissioner

Date 5-20-2025