APPROVED BY ORDER # 12-08-343

MINUTES OF THE

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING OF DECEMBER 17, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Terry Thompson convened the adjourned session of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present at the meeting were Commissioner Bill Hall, County Counsel Wayne Belmont, PIO Casey Miller, and Recorder Judy Eames. Commissioner Don Lindly was excused.

ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Thompson introduced the Consent Calendar items. Commissioner Hall highlighted Item IV.G.1 accepting a grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for improvements to Moonshine County Park located near the Siletz River. Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar in its entirety. Chair Thompson seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 2-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR OF DECEMBER 17, 2008

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting

12-08-340 BOC Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2008

Documents Being Recorded

12-08-341 Accepting a Grant from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for the Purpose of Making Improvements to Moonshine County Park on the Siletz River

DECISION/ACTION

Formation of and Appointments to the Lincoln County Forestland Classification Committee

Counsel Belmont advised that after previous discussion by the Board concerning the formation of a county forestland classification committee, he prepared an order to establish the Lincoln County Forestland Classification Committee under the provisions of Oregon Revised Statutes (ORS

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Chapter 526). The purpose of the committee is to investigate and study forestlands within the county to determine which lands are suitable primarily for the production of timber, joint agricultural and timber production, and agricultural use. Based on the classification scheme, certain forestland regulations and programs, including firefighting capabilities and assessments for fire protection, will be determined. In addition to the one appointment to the committee made by the state forester and one appointment by the director of the Oregon State University Extension Service, the commissioners will be appointing Dan Cummins as the forestland representative, Joe Steere as the agricultural/forestland (grazing land) representative, and Dave Edwards or other designee of the County Fire Defense Board. The committee will be holding a series of meetings throughout the county and will hold a public meeting to receive comments before a final classification is adopted by the committee. Land use laws will not be impacted by the classification process. Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve Order # 12-08-342 establishing the Lincoln County Forestland Classification Committee under ORS Chapter 526. The motion was seconded by Chair Thompson. The vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 2-0.

MOTION TO APPROVE ORDER # 12-08-342 ESTABLISHING THE LINCOLN COUNTY FORESTLAND CLASSIFICATION COMMITTEE AND MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

Request by Central Coast Humane Society

Kathe Stander of the Central Coast Humane Society (CCHS) presented a request to the commissioners to enter into an agreement to procure a cargo van for use in transporting animals from the Lincoln County Animal Shelter to veterinary visits, movement to other animal facilities to increase adoption rates, and to adoption outreach sites. CCHS would bear the majority of the cost of the purchase price of the van (from 75% to 100%) and is requesting that the county pay any remainder of the purchase price and the vehicle's insurance and upkeep costs. The commissioners also heard from Lee Smith and Paulette Sloan, members of the CCHS, and Dee Kaminski, Animal Shelter Manager, who spoke about the hardships of using their personal vehicles to transport animals from the Shelter. Sheriff Dotson noted he has contacted the county's Fleet Manager, Mike Lafon, who will be providing costs of maintaining the vehicle once he has been given a mileage estimate. The commissioners voiced interest in the proposal, but advised they will need to look at the long-term viability of the program. Sheriff Dotson stated he would provide the commissioners with estimated costs when he receives that information from Mr. Lafon.

REPORTS

Warming Shelter – Lincoln County Fairgrounds

Kiera Morgan, a member of the Lincoln County Fair Board, reported that Fair Board members, in conjunction with help from community volunteers, notably Lee Ritzman and Newport Fire Chief

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Rick Crook, opened the Fair's Exhibit Hall on Tuesday night from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. as a "warming shelter" for the homeless. Five individuals slept in the Hall Tuesday night, and no problems were experienced during the facility's use. Ms. Morgan stated the Fair Board would like to keep the doors open during the same time period (7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.) through at least Sunday should weather conditions stay cold and if enough volunteers are found to man various shifts. The commissioners expressed their thanks to the Fair Board for taking on this needed service.

ADJOURNMENT

Counsel Belmont noted that the Board's December 24, 2008 meeting has been canceled, and the next Board meeting will be held on December 31 at 9: 30 a.m. at the Lincoln County Courthouse, Room 108. Hearing no additional constituent input, the meeting adjourned at 10:02 a.m. These meeting minutes were read and approved this 31st day of December, 2008.

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