

APPROVED BY ORDER # 7-08-210

MINUTES OF THE

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING OF JULY 9, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Chair Thompson introduced the Consent Calendar items. There were no items highlighted or deleted. Commissioner Hall made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar in its entirety. Commissioner Lindly seconded the motion. The vote was taken, and the motion passed unanimously by a vote of 3-0.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT
CALENDAR OF JULY 9, 2008**

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting

7-08-205 BOC Meeting Minutes of July 2, 2008

Documents and Recording Matters in the Commissioners Journal

7-08-206 Correcting pages 7 and 24 of the 2008-2009 Fee Schedule for Departments of Lincoln County

7-08-207 Grant Agreement # 24830 between ODOT – Public Transit Division and Lincoln County Transportation Service District for general public transportation operations (term: 7/1/08-6/30/09)

7-08-208 Amendment # 1 to Grant Agreement # 24347 between ODOT – Public Transit Division and Lincoln County Transportation Service District to replace four 35-foot transit buses

7-08-209 Letter of Agreement between Lincoln County Health and Human Services and the Lincoln Commission on Children and Families (LCC&F) for pass-through Safe and Drug Free Schools grant funds for Reconnecting Youth

PUBLIC HEARING

2009 Oregon Community Development Block Grant

Chair Thompson opened the hearing regarding consideration of an application for a 2009 Oregon Community Development Block Grant (OCDBG) for the Ken Trueman Recovery Center Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facility located in Newport, Oregon, and to obtain citizen views and comments concerning other possible projects in the community that might be assisted with a Community Development Block Grant. The commissioners also invited citizen comment regarding community development and housing needs, especially the needs of low and moderate income persons. Stephen Howard, Program Development Analyst for the Community Services Consortium (CSC), spoke about previous successful joint efforts between CSC and the County in obtaining Block grants and the OCDBG projects completed in Lincoln County. He advised that CSC has been working with the Trueman Center to raise funds and locate a suitable location for an expanded Center and Treatment Facility. Although the County currently has three open Block grants, which is the maximum number allowed, the Block grant for the new Head Start facility in Newport should be closed out by the next application round in March of 2009. The director of the Center, Bernadette Ray, addressed the need for a larger facility to enable the Center to almost double the current bed capacity of 12 and the total number of clients served. The Center provides detox treatment and mental health and drug and alcohol counseling. The building currently housing the Center is old and presents safety issues. Richard Goulette, CFO of the Oregon Coast Aquarium, expressed support of the application, stating that the Center adds to the quality of life for everyone living in the county. Lincoln County Director of Operations Behavioral Health and Primary Care Julie Dotson stated that the Center is an incredible resource for many agencies in the county and that should the Center's services become unavailable, the cost in human suffering would be high. Tracey Cummings of My Sisters' Place, Lincoln County Jail Inmate Counselor Gus Willemin, Director of the Lincoln Commission on Children and Families Barbara Dougherty, and Assistant County Counsel Rob Bovett each offered testimony on the importance of the services provided by the Center and the critical element drug and alcohol recovery plays in keeping a community safe. The commissioners discussed the 30-year track record of the Trueman Center in the community, the critical services provided by the Center, and the excellent track record of CSC and the County in applying for and securing Block grants. They were unanimous in supporting a future Block grant application by the County and CSC for the Center. Hearing no other public comments, Chair Thompson closed the hearing. Counsel Belmont advised that within the next few months, various items may be presented to the Board for action dealing with possible purchase of a site for the Center.

The meeting was adjourned for a short break at 10:00 a.m. The meeting reconvened at 10:02 a.m.

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

North Lincoln Sanitary Service Rate Report

North Lincoln Sanitary Service President Tina French presented the 2008 rate review, as required under the provisions of the Lincoln County Code as franchisee for the unincorporated areas of North Lincoln County. The uniform rate reporting format provides for an annual review by the commissioners of the operational expenses and revenues of each franchise within the county. Ms. French outlined the new recycling services being made available to all customers, which will result in a monthly increase of \$5.50 for residential customers and \$14 for commercial customers. A variety of optional services including disposal of bulky items, contractor clean-ups, and woody debris drop-off, are offered at additional charge to those who may wish to utilize them. The commissioners directed County Counsel to prepare an order for adoption at a future meeting that will approve the proposed rates effective September 1, 2008.

The meeting was adjourned for a break at 10:31. The meeting reconvened at 10:33.

Formation of Forestland Classification Committee

Counsel Belmont stated that currently, classification of private and public forestlands in Lincoln County is made by the state forester. Forestland classification can have some impact on fire fighting capability and assessment of fees for provided services. He advised that after meeting with the state forester and Department of Forestry staff, a request previously made by the state forester to the county to form a committee under the provisions of ORS Chapter 477 dealing with forestland-urban interface is being revised to request formation of a forestland classification committee under the provisions of ORS Chapter 526. The state forester will be sending a letter to the commissioners to that effect. Counsel Belmont noted that several possible qualified committee members have been identified and will be recommended for appointment at the time of formation. He anticipated that an order will be ready for adoption in mid-August.

Ordinance and Order Relating to Civil Forfeitures

Assistant County Counsel Rob Bovett advised that because of the passage of Ballot Measure 53 on May 20, 2008, amendments to provisions of the Lincoln County Code dealing with civil forfeitures are necessary. Ballot Measure 53 was drafted to clarify provisions included in Ballot Measure 3, which was passed by Oregon voters in 2000. Ordinance # 454, "Relating to forfeiture; amending LCC 2.3005; repealing LCC 2.3010 and 2.3015; and declaring an emergency" incorporates those necessary amendments. A proposed order establishing an interest-bearing Lint M-53 forfeiture trust fund has also been drafted. The commissioners agreed to take action on both the ordinance and order on July 23.

APPROVED

REPORTS

Status Report by County Counsel Wayne Belmont

Counsel Belmont noted that Thugz Off Drugz, a non-profit 501(C)(3) agency, was awarded \$13,500 under the county's Non-Profit Social Service Agency Allocation Program for fiscal year 2008-2009. with provisions that the organization continue to provide services within Lincoln County and that an accounting be provided to the County on how awarded monies are spent. Thugz Off Drugz recently closed the women's shelter it was operating in Lincoln County, but is still maintaining two recovery facilities for men. It also opened a separate bank account to be used strictly for Lincoln County grant funds. Counsel Belmont stated that Thugz Off Drugz appears to be a viable organization within the county and recommended that the first quarterly payment be made to the organization. He also recommended that monitoring of the agency be conducted before disbursement of each subsequent quarterly payment. Counsel Belmont advised that there may be a new 501(C) (3) group forming to provide a recovery facility for women within the county, and that if such an agency does become viable before the end of the 2008-2009 fiscal year, a portion of the award given to Thugz off Drugz could be reserved for disbursement to that agency. The commissioners directed Counsel Belmont to draft a letter to Thugz Off Drugz outlining conditions of the award and reserving the right to disburse part of the award to an agency providing a women's recovery facility, should such a 501(C) (3) group become viable during the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m. These meeting minutes were read and approved this 16th day of July, 2008.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TERRY N. THOMPSON, Chair

DON LINDLY, Commissioner

BILL HALL, Commissioner