

APPROVED BY ORDER # 2-08-55
MINUTES OF THE
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MEETING OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Terry N. Thompson convened the adjourned session of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners. Present at the meeting were Commissioners Don Lindly and Bill Hall, County Counsel Wayne Belmont, and Recorder Judy Eames. Also present were Kiera Morgan from KNPT, Kendall Cable from the *Newport News Times*, and Patrick Alexander from the *News Guard*.

ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM

CONSTITUENT INPUT

Tom Swinford, Race Director for the Newport Marathon, announced that the 10th annual Newport Marathon will be run this year by the Newport Booster Club and will be held on May 31, 2008. The goal of the marathon is to provide a “first class experience” for marathon participants while raising funds for support of athletics, athletic participation scholarships, and extra-curricular activities at Newport High School. Anyone interested in volunteering may e-mail the Booster Club at run@newportmarathon.org or call 270-4250.

RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION

Presentation of Flag

David Huguley, a long-time county resident, presented the commissioners with the last state flag to fly in front of the Lincoln County Courthouse before the county seat was moved from Toledo to Newport. Mr. Huguley explained that while in Alaska, he became involved in a conversation regarding politics and discovered that one of the discussion participants had the flag in his possession. The flag owner’s family had been close friends of former Commissioner Albert Strand and had been given the flag by Commissioner Strand’s family. The commissioners thanked Mr. Huguley for his generosity and sense of history and will be consulting with the Lincoln County Historical Society for advice on whether to repair the flag or display it in its present condition.

“National Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week”

After the reading by Commissioner Hall of Resolution # 08-06-02A proclaiming February 4-8, 2008 “Teen Dating Violence Awareness and Prevention Week” in Lincoln County, members of the Girls of Our Future (GOOF) introduced themselves and explained their group’s mission. Jessalin Shores, Miranda Herzog, and Niki Sylvia, who are currently high school seniors, formed GOOF and designed and implemented a peer mentoring program. They have educated over 500 students in middle and high

schools throughout Lincoln County on dating abuse and healthy relationships. They also testified before the Governor's Council on Domestic Violence and before Oregon State legislators on Senate Bill 558, which allows teen dating violence protection orders. They introduced trainees who will be carrying on this mission: Anall Yancz, Casey Hoppe, and Yoshira Aguilar. The commissioners thanked the students for their work and public education efforts. 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.

**MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION # 08-06-02A
PROCLAIMING FEBRUARY 4-8, 2008 "TEEN
DATING VIOLENCE AWARENESS AND
PREVENTION WEEK" IN LINCOLN COUNTY**

ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR

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.

**MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR
OF FEBRUARY 6, 2008**

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Minutes of the Board of Commissioners Meeting

2-08-46 BOC Meeting Minutes of January 30, 2008

Commissioner Appointments & Resignations

2-08-47 Changes in membership to the Makai Special Road District Board

2-08-48 Reappointment of Peter Carlich to the Westwood Village Special Road District Board

Tax Foreclosure, Right of Way, Sales and Deeds

2-08-49 Acceptance of a right-of-way Deed for the donation of certain property along Logsdan Road

2-08-50 Transferring certain tax foreclosed real property to the City of Newport (10-11-20-CB-TL400, also known as NW 70th Street)

Documents and Recording Matters in the Commissioners Journal

- 2-08-51 Certifying assessments for a local improvement paving project (“LID”) in the Trollers Cove subdivision
- 2-08-52 Agreement between OSU Extension Service and Lincoln County and Lincoln County—Family Care Connection
- 2-08-53 RVG # 0141, Agreement between the State of Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and Lincoln County for the Moonshine Park Development project
- 2-08-54 RVG # 0142, Agreement between the State of Oregon Parks and Recreation Department and Lincoln County for the Moonshine Park Feasibility Study project

DECISION/ACTION

Lincoln County School District - Construction Excise Tax

Counsel Belmont reviewed the history of the intergovernmental agreement with the Lincoln County School District for collection of a construction excise tax as allowed by Senate Bill 1036. He emphasized that the tax is not being imposed by Lincoln County, which is acting only as a collection agency for the School District. The incorporated areas that use county services in providing building permits will also provide endorsements to the agreement. Commissioner Lindly noted that anyone who has concerns about the excise tax should direct their comments to their legislative representatives. He stated that the School District will be developing citizen committees to advise the School District Board members regarding priority projects in each area and noted that the only reason the county will be involved with the excise tax is to make it easier for clients who are applying for building permits. These clients will only have to visit one government office, as opposed to visiting both City Hall, to pay the excise tax, and the County Building Department, to apply for and pay the building permit fee. Commissioner Hall noted that Senate Bill 1036 gives school boards the option of examining affordable housing as an exemption and urged the Lincoln County School Board to do so. The commissioners agreed on the importance of school facility improvements, which are needed throughout the county.

MOTION TO APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH THE LINCOLN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR COLLECTION OF A CONSTRUCTION EXCISE TAX

DISCUSSION/INFORMATION

2008 Centennial Fair and Rodeo Committee and Lincoln County Fair Board

The commissioners heard from members of the audience who provided comments on combining the 2008 Centennial Fair and Rodeo Committee with the Lincoln County Fair Board. Rick Kissock, Executive Director of the Fair, voiced opposition to the consolidation, expressing the opinion that the committee members and Fair Board members were not presently communicating and that combining

the two groups was a “recipe for disaster.” He stated that his past communication with committee members, which consisted almost exclusively of e-mails, had degraded into personal attacks and false accusations levied against him, constituting a hostile work environment. Mr. Kissock indicated he would be willing to put aside differences and work with the committee members. After a discussion with Mr. Kissock on the budget process, the declining revenues of the fair, and failure of the Fair Board to adopt a strategic plan, the commissioners heard from Susie Clement, a current Fair Board member, who voiced concern that vendor applications had not yet been sent out by the committee. She stated that Fair Board members had received no communication from the committee members since October 2007, but that she was willing to work with them, as she felt they had expressed good ideas in the past. Commissioner Lindly commented that he believed the committee members would bring badly needed new ideas and energy to the Fair Board, as well as an ability to “look outside the box.” He noted the importance of including 4H members in planning for the Fair. Elmer Ostling, an honorary Fair Board member for his many years of service on the Fair Board, stated he was attending the commissioners’ meeting in support of Rick Kissock, whom he felt had done all he could to keep the Fair within budget and whose authority and control Mr. Ostling felt was eroded by the Chair of the Fair Board over the past 8 to 10 years. When asked whether he felt the two groups could work successfully together, Mr. Ostling replied he did not. Terry Dillman, a former Fair Board member, addressed the commissioners and stated he did not feel the groups could work together. Debra Jones noted that the committee members had good ideas, but she was concerned that the committee had not done any community outreach to let interested volunteers know when the committee was meeting, what was being accomplished, and what kind of assistance the committee could use.

Commissioners Lindly and Hall both stated they did not feel the three Fair Board members could successfully plan for the Centennial Fair and that although there was no ideal solution, appointing the committee members to the Fair Board was the best solution available. Commissioner Thompson noted his opposition to the idea. The commissioners directed that the matter of appointing Paul Joannides, Toni Johnson, Kiera Morgan and Stephanie Linn to the Fair Board be placed on the February 20, 2008 agenda.

REPORTS

Commissioner Hall reported that copies were now available of the three-month progress report relating to “At Home in Lincoln County,” a ten-year housing plan for the county with a special focus on chronic homelessness. He also read a letter from Philip Mangano, Executive Director of the United States Interagency Council on Homelessness, praising the accomplishments of Lincoln County.

The Lincoln County employee recognition event held on February 5 was highlighted by Commissioner Lindly, who recognized the talent of students from the Angell Job Corp, who provided a portion of the food, and the efforts of the members of the Employee Events Committee, who planned the event. Carl Reddick, an employee of Community Corrections for 30 years, who has received national recognition for his accomplishments and innovations, was chosen as the “Employee of the Year” award by county employees.

Commissioner Thompson noted that on February 4, he attended training on School Based Health Care Clinics in Salem. There are only 45 clinics located in the 1,200 schools in the state, and four of those are found in Lincoln County.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m. These meeting minutes were read and approved this 13th day of February, 2008.

LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

TERRY N. THOMPSON, Chair

EXCUSED

DON LINDLY, Commissioner

BILL HALL, Commissioner