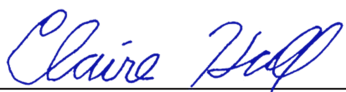


## LINCOLN COUNTY PUBLIC COMMENT RULES

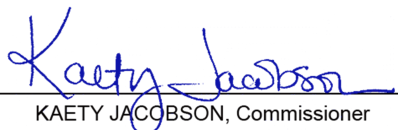
During a Lincoln County Board of Commissioners meeting, the following rules shall be in place for those wishing to provide public comment in person or virtually:

1. Individuals who wish to address the Board must write their name and address on the speaker's sign-in sheet prior to the start of the public meeting. The speaker's sign-in sheet will be located near the media table in the meeting room and those wishing to publicly address the Board are advised to arrive well before the start of the public meeting to secure a spot.
2. When called by the Board Chair, those wishing to address the Board shall come to the designated area and state their name. They shall limit their remarks to the time allocated by the Chair. They should address all remarks to the Board as a body and not to any member thereof.
3. No person shall be permitted to enter into any discussion without the permission of the Chair. Questions from the public shall be asked of a Commissioner or staff through the Chair.
4. For all regular meetings, individuals who signed the sign-in sheet will be given three (3) minutes to address the board. Speakers will be recognized by the Board in the order in which they signed the speaker's sheet. In order to avoid repetition and delay, groups of people seeking to express the same or similar position are encouraged to designate a spokesperson for the group.
5. Individuals attending Board meetings should conduct themselves with respect and civility toward others. Anyone speaking during the public comment period are advised that the speakers' subject matter may not contain obscenity, defamation, or slander. Each person attending a public meeting is prohibited from engaging in a violation of the disorderly conduct or disturbing a lawful meeting provisions of ORS 166.025. If the Board determines that these rules are not being followed one warning will be given. Speaker's conduct shall be subject to the right of the Board to preserve the order and decorum of the meeting. If the rules continue to be violated after a warning, the Board may revoke the individual's speaking privileges or have them removed from the meeting. The intent of these rules is not to stifle public debate but to facilitate meaningful and productive comment and debate.
6. Individuals who sign the speaker's sign-in sheet may not transfer or yield their time or opportunity to speak to another individual.
7. While the Board values input from the public, Board members are not obligated to respond to questions or comments from the public during the public comment period.

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