

APPROVED BY ORDER # 11-16-274

MINUTES OF THE  
LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

MEETING OF October 5, 2016

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Hall called to order the regular session of the Lincoln County Board of Commissioners.

**ROLL CALL - ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Also present at the meeting were Commissioner Terry Thompson, Commissioner Doug Hunt, County Counsel Wayne Belmont, Public Information Officer Casey Miller and Recorder Tanya Graham.

**RECOGNITION/PROCLAMATION**

**Employee Recognitions:**

Chair Hall presented the following Lincoln County employees with service pins and certificates:

1. Patricia Jarrett – Health and Human Services - 15 years of service
2. Eli Adam – Surveyor's - 10 years of service
3. Kari Hall – Health and Human Services - 10 years of service
4. Joel Matz – Assessor's - 10 years of service

**New Hire Introductions:**

Del Kruse, Personnel Assistant, introduced four new employees to the Commissioners:

1. Justin Wallace, Health and Human Services
2. Brad Adams, Health and Human Services
3. Jennifer Mack, Health and Human Services
4. Melanie Schimpf, Health and Human Services
5. Maureen Linden, Health and Human Services

**Resolution #16-5-10A**

**Declaring Support of the National “Stepping UP” Initiative to Reduce the Number of People with Mental Illnesses in Jails – Presented by:**  
*Commissioner Bill Hall and Steve Sparks*

Chair Hall read the Stepping Up resolution and a video was shown. Commissioner Hall explained that the Stepping Up Initiative is a national initiative geared at reducing the number of people with mental illnesses in jails. In Lincoln County approximately 30 percent of our jail population at some point has been treated for a mental health diagnosis. Of those 30 %, 10% are significantly mentally ill. By joining the Stepping Up initiative, the County will focus on improving the way the public safety and health care systems work together, and we will look for ways to fill the gaps in resources to provide treatment, housing and supportive services to people with mental illness.

Commissioner Hunt moved and Commissioner Thompson seconded to approve the resolution declaring support of the National Stepping Up Initiative to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jails. The vote was taken and passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #16-5-10A  
DECLARING SUPPORT OF THE NATIONAL  
“STEPPING UP” INITIATIVE TO REDUCE THE  
NUMBER OF PEOPLE WITH MENTAL ILLNESSES  
IN JAILS**

**ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Hall introduced the Consent Calendar and the items were reviewed. Commissioner Thompson moved and Chair Hunt seconded to approve the consent calendar. The vote was taken and passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR OF  
OCTOBER 5, 2016**

**CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:**

**Minutes of Board of Commissioners Meeting:**

**Order #10-16-253 Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes September 14, 2016**

**Order #10-16-254 Board of Commissioner Meeting Minutes September 28, 2016**

**Commission Appointments and Resignations:**

**Order #10-16-255 Changes in Membership to the Mental Health Advisory Committee**

**DECISION/ACTION**

**Resolution #16-5-10B**

**Initiating Amendments to Ordinance #484; Amending Temporary  
Regulation of Recreational Marijuana – Presented by: Onno Husing and  
Joshua Shaklee**

Wayne Belmont explained that when changes need to be made to the County Code the Board of Commissioners initiates a review to the Planning Commission.

Onno Husing stated that temporary regulations often times need to be reviewed until they become permanent regulations. Currently there are two items that need to be reviewed with Ordinance #484. One being the minimum acreages in the Agricultural Conservation (A-C) Zone provided for outdoor production of marijuana. The other item is the setbacks from residentially zoned property for recreational marijuana wholesalers and retail outlets. If the Board of Commissioner approve initiating review of these amendments, then a public hearing will be set before the Planning Commission to discuss the amendments. After the public hearing has occurred, then the Planning Commission will bring forward recommendations to the Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Hall called for public input. Pat Morford stated that her family has a farm in East County and if they could grow cannabis it would help provide them a living wage, this value added crop only needs one acre to make a difference.

Commissioner Thompson moved and Commissioner Hall seconded to approve the resolution initiating amendments to Ordinance #484; amending temporary regulations of recreational marijuana. The vote was taken and passed with a 2-1 vote. Commissioner Hunt opposed the resolution.

**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION #16-5-10B INITIATING  
AMENDMENTS TO ORDINANCE #484; AMENDING  
TEMPORARY REGULATION OF RECREATIONAL  
MARIJUANA**

**REPORTS**

**Jail Facilities, Maintenance and Structure Update – Presented by: Sgt. Tom Graham and Jack Whaley**

Sgt. Graham gave an update to the Board on the state of the Jail, the state of the County functions managed by the Sheriff's Office and the County personnel challenges that come with managing the Jail and County projects. The Sheriff's Office strives to maintain the Jail at its highest level of sanitation, safety and security. These goals are accomplished through the strong partnerships with Facilities Maintenance, IT, the Board of Commissioners, County Counsel and many other County Departments. The Sheriff's Office often times uses inmate labor to help with cleaning, painting and other special projects in the Jail. With the Jail building being 25 years old, it is in a continuous state of repair, maintenance, upgrades and improvements. This requires a lot of hours from the maintenance department as well as deputies.

The Sheriff's Office also manages various security projects around the County such as 170 cameras and 190 doors with those numbers continuing to grow. The challenges faced with managing these various projects are funding and staff. The Jail is a high consumer of maintenance and IT resources. As technology and equipment is added to the systems, it puts pressure on IT and Maintenance's staffing and budgets. As the County expands and modernizes, staffing levels will need to increase to meet the needs of the County's infrastructure. Jack Whaley stated that the current infrastructure needs have maxed out the maintenance department and often the bigger more complex projects have to be contracted out.

The Commissioners thanked Sgt. Graham and Jack Whaley for the update and appreciate the collaboration that goes on between departments. They also recognize the growing needs of IT and Maintenance.

**Bill Hall** announced that the Lincoln County Community and Economic Development Grant Application period is open. Applications will be accepted through November 3, 2016. Since 2001, this grant has awarded over \$2,070,000 in projects.

**Doug Hunt** announced that he spoke at the "Play on the Grade" event that was hosted by ODOT. The new section of Highway 20 is scheduled to open on October 15.

**Terry Thompson** reported that he attended the "Play on the Grade" event and it was very well attended. He also attended the Senior Fair in Lincoln City on October 4.

**CONSTITUENT INPUT**

Commissioner Hall called for constituent input.

Richard Sherlock introduced himself to the Board and stated that he is Peer Support for HHS. He voiced concern about inmates in the County Jail and the suspension of their Medicaid and Social Security benefits. Once an inmate's benefits have been suspended it becomes very difficult to have them reinstated upon release.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

An executive session was convened at 10:55 a.m. pursuant to:  
ORS 192.660(2) (h) to discuss litigation matters

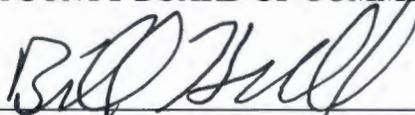
**ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Board of Commissioners will be held on October 12, 2016 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 108 of the Lincoln County Courthouse.

The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

These meeting minutes were read and approved this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of November, 2016.

**LINCOLN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



\_\_\_\_\_  
**BILL HALL, Chair**



\_\_\_\_\_  
**TERRY N. THOMPSON, Commissioner**



\_\_\_\_\_  
**DOUG HUNT, Commissioner**