



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

January 10, 2017  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2017, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

### **Roll Call**

Chairman Susan Good Geise called the meeting to order at 9 a.m. Commissioner Jim McCormick and Commissioner Andy Hunthausen were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, K. Paul Stahl, George Theborge, William Avey, Brian Coplin, Al Knauber, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

There were no consent action items.

### **Helena/Lewis and Clark Forest Plan Update (William Avey)**

William Avey, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest Supervisor, presented an update on the Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest Plan. The proposed forest plan is a revision of the 1986 Helena Forest Plan and the 1986 Lewis and Clark Forest Plan. A 2012 planning rule directed them to do an assessment of the current conditions, gather public input and build a new action plan. The proposed plan merges the two 1986 plans because the two forests were merged into one. The Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest is 2.9 million acres and spreads across 17 counties. The public comment period is still open on this proposal. There will be an open-house in Lincoln on the update next week. The new forest plan will not designate any new wilderness, only Congress can do that. The plan is however proposing special areas, one of which will be a South Hills area, located south of Helena.

Commissioner Good Geise thanked Mr. Avey for all of the communication and work that his team does.

No public comment was received.

### **Grant Application to the State of Montana Historic Preservation Office. (Pamel Attardo)**

Pamela Attardo, Historic Preservation Officer, presented the grant application with the Montana Historic Preservation Office Certified Local Government Program. The grant application is for \$5,500 and is unrestricted and can be used for salary, contracted services, and programs. Staff recommends approval of the grant application.

Commissioner McCormick asked Ms. Attardo to explain the other expenses of \$20,000 listed in the budget. Ms. Attardo replied that category is for contracted services and in the past it has been used for office support. It has also been used to pay for an intern from Carroll College to help with the website as well as contracting for digitization, cataloging and archival storage of historical documents.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Murray. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

### **Board Appointment. (Eric Bryson)**

Eric Bryson, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the board appointments for the Lewis and Clark DUI Task Force and recommended the re-appointment of Maureen Ward, Tracie Kiesel, Trevor MacDonald and Bill Pandis to the DUI Task force to terms that will expire December 31, 2019.

No public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to appoint Maureen Ward, Tracie Kiesel, Trevor MacDonald and Bill Pandis to the Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force to terms that will expire December 31, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Bryson presented the board appointment to the City-County Library Board and recommended the re-appointment of Leroy Schramm to a term that expires December 31, 2021.

No public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to reappoint Leroy Schramm to the City-County Library Board to a term that expires December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion passed 3-0.

Mr. Bryson presented the board appointment for the Mental Health Local Advisory Council and recommended Brian Coplin to replace Jordan Brown and complete the term that will expire June 30, 2019.

No public comment was received.

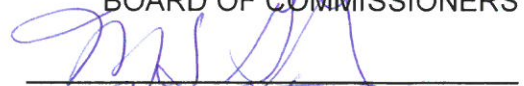
A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to appoint Brian Coplin to complete the term that expires June 30, 2019 in the role of consumer. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion passed 3-0.

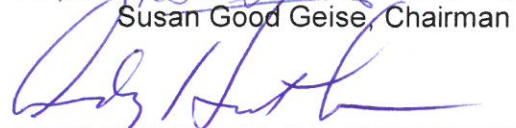
**Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.**

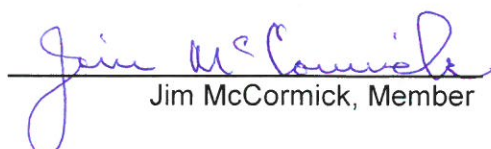
**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:38 a.m.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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Susan Good Geise, Chairman

  
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Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair

  
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Jim McCormick, Member

ATTEST:

  
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Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board