

PUBLIC MEETING

January 28, 2021 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, January 28, 2021, at 9:00 AM in Zoom https://zoom.us/j/5669454978.

Roll Call

Chair Andy Hunthausen called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Jim McCormick and Commissioner Tom Rolfe were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nancy Everson, Lauren Little, Peter Italiano, Charles Lane, Sarah Sandau, Eric Spangenberg, Jeni Garcin, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Memorandum of Understanding Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Sarah Sandau)

Sarah Sandau, Prevention Program Supervisor, presented the memorandum of understanding with Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services to sponsor a Suicide Prevention AmeriCorps VISTA from January 10, 2021 through January 18, 2022 in the amount of \$5,000. The VISTA will prepare an education-based program that engages the firearm and pharmaceutical companies to increase awareness surrounding mental health and suicide prevention. The program will focus on lethal means and increase awareness around safe storage of firearms and recognizing the signs of suicide. The working group for the program will have representatives from NAMI, Center for Mental Health, Moms Demand Action, Shodair, Capital Sports, state legislators, FWP and the Sheriff's Office. Staff recommends approval of the memorandum of understanding with Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services.

No public comment was received.

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

Resolution 2021-11 Naming Slayton Ln. (Jason Danielson)

Eric Spangenberg, GIS Coordinator, presented the resolution to name a road located east of Danas Vista Dr, traveling approximately 2,100 feet. The Addressing Office received the request and signed petition forms from two adjacent property owners to name the road Slayton Ln. Two additional adjacent properties are owned by the same person, but a petition was not submitted.

If approved, notification letters will be sent to each property owner confirming their updated address with a separate notification email sent to all service providers. County Public Works will also be notified to create and install the road sign. It is understood that adjacent property owners will be responsible for associated costs of the new road signs. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Mr. Spangenberg discussed the importance of road naming and the process to name roads; named roads are very important for emergency responders. The actual name of a road is up to the petitioner, the County does not assign road names.

No public comment was received.

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

Budget Amendment to Lewis and Clark County's Fiscal Year 2021. (Nancy Everson)

Nancy Everson, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Lewis and Clark County Attorney's Office request to amend the High Intensity Drug Task Force Area (HIDTA) Grant Fund and add one additional FTE, an administrative assistant position to the adopted budget. The estimated annual cost of the position is \$58,000 with the FY21 cost at approximately \$24,165.

The position was included in the grant budget for many years and then was filled by City of Helena police officers for several years. Due to a restructure, the County Attorney is asking to reinstate the FTE for the HIDTA Grant. The City Police Officer assigned to HIDTA is still in place and will train the new employee. Per County policy, adding a position outside of the budget process requires Commission approval after presenting the request at a public meeting. Because grant funding is being used for the position, an advertised public hearing is not required. Staff recommends approval of the request to increase staffing by 1.00 FTE.

No public comment was received.

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

<u>Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.</u>

<u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:29 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF OMMISSIONERS

Andy Hunthausen, Chair

m McCormick, Vice Chair

Tom Rolfe, Member

ATTEST:

Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board