



PUBLIC MEETING

January 31, 2017
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 31, 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 Charles Lane, Pam Attardo, Lori Ladas, Jim Henry, Mike Stevenson, Shawn Rowland, Dick Alberts, Kathy Marks, Mike Murray, Bill Gehring, Rose Gehring, Al Knauber, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Announcement

- a. Lewis and Clark County Heritage Tourism Council Presentation of Gratitude. (Pam Attardo)

Pam Attardo, Heritage Preservation Officer, presented a Lewis and Clark County Heritage Tourism Council Token of Gratitude to former Commissioner Mike Murray. The Council acknowledged Mr. Murray's contributions for his support to historic preservation.

Dick Alberts, Council member, presented a picture of the Gehring Ranch to Mr. Murray.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Community Services Block Grant for Rocky Mountain Development Council (Lori Ladas)

Lori Ladas, Rocky Mountain Development Council Executive Director, presented the Community Services Block Grant work plan for the grant year 2016-2017. The grant is awarded through the State of Montana to Rocky Mountain Development Council (RMDC) to provide services to Lewis and Clark County. The overall goal is to help low income people become more self-sufficient; to help low income people own a stake in their community; and to help vulnerable populations achieve their potential by strengthening family and other support systems. Some of the programs

this will include are the Head Start program, which serves 236 children from low-income families, a subsidized rental program that has 297 units in Lewis and Clark, Broadwater and Jefferson Counties, the LIEAP and Weatherization Programs and a nutrition program including Meals on Wheels.

No public comment was received.

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

Conditional Use Permit to Allow for the Development of an Overflow Parking Lot Located Within the R-1 Zone of Special Zoning District No. 2 (West Valley) (Applicant: Mountain Valley Crematories, LLC) (Planner: Jim Henry)

Jim Henry, Planner I, presented the request for a conditional use permit (CUP) to allow for the development of an approximately 15,000 square foot overflow parking lot for the Anderson Stevenson Wilke Funeral Home and Crematory. The proposed parking lot will add 43 parking spaces to the 99 spaces currently in place on the lot that contains the funeral home and will be located at 3736 North Montana Avenue. The applicant expects that the additional parking will only be used on an average of two to three times per month during regular business hours.

The Planning and Zoning Commission did recommend unanimous approval of the CUP subject to 8 conditions at their January 18, 2017 meeting. There were concerns from neighboring landowners that the use was not residential in nature.

Mr. Henry noted that a condition of approval would be that a minimum distance for parking and loading areas shall be twenty-five feet from any residential property line. Additionally, the applicant shall include a vegetative buffer of six foot tall opaque fence between the parking lot and all residentially zoned areas.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to incorporate the minutes from the January 18, 2017 Planning and Zoning Commission into the record for this meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion passed 3-0.

No public comment was received.

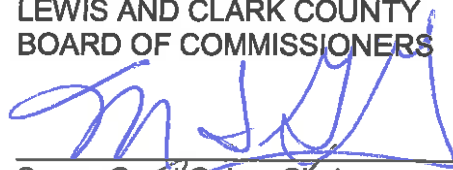
A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to approve the conditional use permit to allow for the development of an overflow parking lot as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion passed 3-0.

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

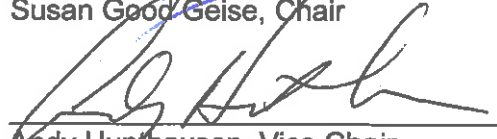
Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:21 am.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Susan Good Geise, Chair

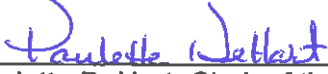


Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair



Jim McCormick, Member

ATTEST:



Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board