



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

January 8, 2015

Minutes

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on January 8, 2015, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

### **Roll Call**

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

Commissioner Susan Good Geise and Commissioner Mike Murray were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, Katie Jerstad, Laura Erikson, Matt Heimel, Dean Retz, Jerry Christison, Matt Witkos, and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

- a. Resolution 2015-18 Ordering a Refund of Taxes/Fees/Assessments Paid by Joan Andrews in the Amount of \$223.01. (Cheryl Green)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action item 2a and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Murray and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 3-0

### **Resolution 2015-17 Intention to Create Fox Trot Estates Rural Improvement District 2015-1. (Matt Heimel)**

Matt Heimel presented resolution 2015-17 intention to create Fox Trot Estates Rural Improvement District 2015-1. The applicant has requested the creation of an RID to satisfy the conditions of approval for the final plat. The general maintenance of the Fox Trot Drive includes but is not limited to: grading, dust control, surface compactions, snow removal, gravel road repair, mowing/weed control, culvert cleaning, signage and any miscellaneous repair. The estimated

cost is: \$399.87/per parcel per year. If the resolution is approved, a 30-day public protest period will be open on January 11th and the period will end on February 12, 2015. The public hearing will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2015. There is no home owner's association established at this point to his knowledge. All maintenance funds collected for the district will be spent solely on road maintenance within the proposed district.

Commissioner Murray asked if there was a home owners association for this subdivision and stated that they may not need snow plowing as often as listed in the resolution. Generally, the association would make the determination on how many times a year snow is plowed not the County.

Eric Bryson stated that a requirement of creating an RID is to notice what the impact would be for the affected lots and the way to do that is to establish a scope of work and divide it by the number of lots in the RID. The resolution is a generalized characterization of maintenance work that will be required if this RID moves forward.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT-**

Jerry Christison, the applicant, asked the Commission where the money for the road work would come from. Mr. Christison read a letter that he wrote to the Board of County Commissioners regarding his concern for the requirement of a 30 day protest period. There is a maintenance agreement in the covenants and an association for the subdivision.

Commissioner Hunthausen stated that money is held in an account specifically for the RID and a bill could be submitted to be paid for the road work. He also reminded the applicant that the agenda only allows a decision for the resolution before the board today. They are not able to take action on his request for approval on the final plat that has been brought to the Commission today. He also stated that an RID was apart of the conditions of approval signed by the applicant.

Commissioner Geise stated that being given a letter at the time of the meeting does not allow the board to give this matter the consideration it deserves.

Katie Jerstad stated that the conditions of approval attached in the letter that the applicant gave you today pertains to Fox Trot I specifically, which has already been final platted. The RID before you today for consideration pertains to conditions of approval for Fox Trot II.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Murray, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 3-0

#### **Contract between Montana Department of Commerce and Lewis and Clark County for the YWCA Rehabilitation Project. (Laura Erikson)**

Laura Erikson presented the contract between Montana Department of Commerce and Lewis and Clark County for the YWCA Rehabilitation Project in the amount of \$750,000 under the HOME program. The YWCA serves homeless women and children in the area. The total project cost is 2.5 million dollars. The schedule for the project is to have final design completed by the end of January 2015 with bids for construction by March 2015. They would like

to have construction starting in May 2015 and have people being back in the YWCA by the end of this year.

No public comment was received.

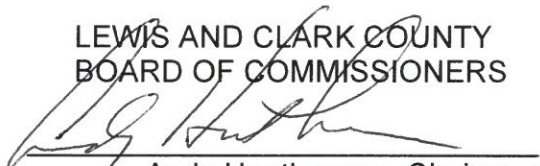
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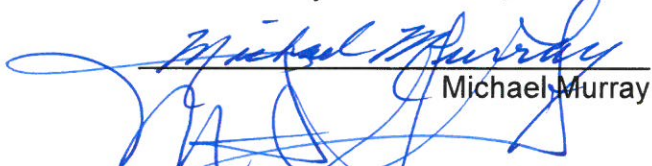
**Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.**

**Adjourn**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:40 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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Andy Hunthausen, Chairman

  
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Michael Murray

  
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Susan Good Geise

ATTEST:

  
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Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board