



PUBLIC MEETING

January 9, 2020
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, January 9, 2020, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

Roll Call

Chair Susan Good Geise called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen was present. Commissioner Jim McCormick was out of the office on other county business. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Marni Bentley, Nancy Everson, Peter Italiano, Dan Karlin, Charles Lane, Christal Ness, Audra Zacherl, Kevin Wright, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending January 10, 2020. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Public Meeting Minutes for November 26; December 5, 12, 19, and 24, 2019. (Nadine McCarty)

Roger Baltz reported on the consent action items 2 a-b and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Contract #MT-TSEP-CG-21-986 Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Commerce. (Audra Zacherl)

Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, presented the contract with the Treasure State Endowment Program (TSEP) to provide funding in the amount of \$309,985 to Lewis and Clark County for the Elk Creek Bridge Replacements TSEP project. The project will cost approximately \$909,730 with Montana Disaster and Emergency Services contributing \$289,760 and the County \$214,500 in hard match and \$95,485 of in-kind match. TSEP awarded the project back in May 2017. Startup requirements were met in November 2017 and again in September 2019.

The project consists of replacing three existing timber bridges west of Augusta with steel modular bridges including the steel modular bridge systems, corrugated steel backwalls, pre-engineered concrete foundation systems and steel bridge rail. The bridges will be installed by the County's bridge crew. Staff recommends approval of the contract with the Treasure State Endowment Program.

Dan Karlin, County Engineer, explained the reasons for the length of the project noting the original application was submitted in 2014 and delayed due to state budget shortfalls. The projects were put on hold and resubmitted the last legislative session. Mr. Karlin gave an overview of the damage to the Elk Creek Bridge 7 due to a significant flooding event and also Elk Creek 5 and 6 bridges. He added the state deadlines for replacements are firm, an extension has already been requested and may have to request another extension.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked if the road is eligible for a Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) grant and Mr. Karlin noted it could be looked into as the road does access federal lands but he is not sure that it would rank well.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Good Samaritan Ministries. (Tabled 1-7-20)
(Drenda Niemann)

Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the agreement with Good Samaritan Ministries to operate Our Place Drop in Center in the amount of \$12,291 per month through February 29, 2020 or the start-date of the provider selected through the Request for Proposal (RFP) process. On January 7, 2020, the Executive Director of Good Samaritan Ministries asked to have the insurance indemnification information reviewed by the County's legal office. The item was tabled to today to allow for review. The indemnification language was confirmed and as such staff recommends approval of the agreement.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Big Sky Cremations. (Nancy Everson)

Nancy Everson, Chief Financial Officer, presented the contract with Big Sky Cremations in an amount not to exceed \$1,600 for each cremation, increasing 3% each year thereafter. The contract begins upon signature through June 30, 2020 and will automatically renew for five successive years. Staff recommends approval of the contract with Big Sky Cremations.

Ms. Everson gave an overview indigent persons and also of abandoned persons, which is where the deceased's family refuses to take care of the body. She added the funeral home will not cremate a body without signed authorization.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Amended Memorandum of Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Hamlin Construction and Development Co, Inc. (Jerry Hamlin, President) (Christal Ness)

Christal Ness, Development Services Supervisor, presented the amended memorandum of agreement (MOA) with Hamlin Construction and Development Co., Inc. The amended MOA is in regard to the completion of a flood control detention pond on Lot 126A of the Amended Plat of the Red Fox Meadows Subdivision, located south of Canyon Ferry Road and east of Lake Helena Drive. The MOA originally stated the flood detention pond was to be located on a 163 acre parcel but since the boundary line relocation was conducted, Lot 126A now expands to include the flood detention pond. Statute allows a boundary line relocation to occur between one lot in a platted subdivision and land outside of that platted subdivision.

It is anticipated the amended MOA will be filed simultaneously with the survey that does the boundary line relocation. Ms. Ness stated all exhibits on the MOA remains the same except the new survey that will be attached. Staff recommends approval of the amended MOA with Hamlin Construction and Development Co., Inc.

No public comment was received.

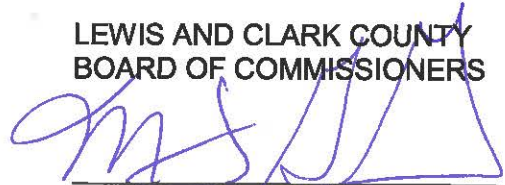
A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

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 9:29 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