

PUBLIC MEETING February 26, 2015 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on February 26, 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 was present. Commissioner Mike Murray was excused. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, Marni Bentley, Paul Spengler, Frank Rives, Jim Hultin, Brian Coplin, and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims Report for week ending February 27, 2015. (Marni Bentley)
- Resolution 2015-38 Ordering a Refund of Fees and Assessments Paid by Anita Angelo in the Amount of \$48.00 (Cheryl Green)
- c. Resolution 2015-37 Declaring County Property Surplus Property (Amy Reeves)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action items 2 a-c and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 2-0

Memorandum of Agreement between Lewis & Clark County and Montana Department of Environmental Quality. (Laura Erikson)

Eric Bryson presented the Memorandum of Agreement between Lewis & Clark County and Montana Department of Environmental Quality for the Helena Solvent Site Project. DEQ is conducting the sampling of the solvent plume at no cost to the project and the County will pay for the lab testing of any sampling with funds received from a grant.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 2-0

Independent Contractor Contract Between Lewis & Clark County and Korpi Lawn and Landscape, Inc. (Paul Spengler)

Paul Spengler presented the Independent Contractor Agreement between Lewis & Clark County and Korpi Lawn and Landscapes, Inc. to perform wildfire mitigation work in the counties of Broadwater, Jefferson and Lewis & Clark. The project rate is \$975 per acre. There is a grant from DNRC and BLM for these projects. The program is extremely successful with wildfire mitigation is an important part of emergency management. The projects have proven to be successful in saving homes in a wildlife fire in the area.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 2-0

Request for Revocation of an Agricultural Exemption Covenant, Tract A of C.O.S. 3099382. (tabled 2/24/15) (Applicant: Jim Hultin) (Planner: Frank Rives)

Frank Rives presented the Revocation of an Agricultural Exemption Covenant, Tract A of C.O.S. 3099382 tabled from February 24, 2015. A memo was prepared for the possible new condition and motion. The applicant has requested to remove an agricultural exemption covenant on a parcel of land he owns, the land has been identified of local importance.

Jim Hultin, 2623 Fantasy Road, stated that he is the applicant and intends to leave the property to their three children and he would like to have the option to put a house on the property if the children chose to.

Commissioner Geise asked if the applicant had reviewed the new condition that was presented that would require subdivision review.

Jim Hultin stated that he had reviewed the condition and that would be fine. The intent is not to subdivide the whole property but to allow for a home on the site and for the remainder of the property to remain agricultural.

A motion was made by Commissioner Geise to preliminarily approve the revocation of the agricultural exemption covenant on the condition that prior to the revocation of the agricultural covenant, the applicant will apply for and obtain preliminarily and final subdivision for Tract A, in compliance with the requirements of Chapters 5 and 6 of the Montana Subdivision and Platting Act, and the final approval of the subdivision must be completed within three years and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 2-0.

Board Appointment. (Eric Bryson)

Eric Bryson presented the board appointment and recommended the appointment of Dave Baum to the Helena Valley Mosquito District Board with a term that will expire 12/31/18.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen, and the motion result was Passed with a vote of 2-0

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

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:17 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Ándy Hunthausen, Chairman

Michael Murray, Vice Chair

Susan Good Geise, Member

ATTEST:

Paulette DeHart. Clerk of the Board