



PUBLIC MEETING

March 6, 2018

MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, March 6, 2018, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

Roll Call

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

Commissioner Jim McCormick and Commissioner Susan Good Geise were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Eric Griffin, Nicho Hash, Melanie Reynolds, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were not consent action items.

Resolution 2018-13 Setting Seasonal Weight Limits on Specific Roads Under the Jurisdiction of Lewis and Clark County for 2018. (Eric Griffin)

Eric Griffin, Director of Public Works presented the resolution concerning the seasonal weight limits on specific roads in the jurisdiction of Lewis and Clark County for 2018. The weight limits are necessary as the frozen ground begins to thaw in late winter and early spring. The base gravel in the road beds becomes saturated reducing the roads ability to carry fully loaded vehicles. To protect the County investments and keep the roads serviceable for the public, weight limits are necessary. They hope to get signs up within the week; it will be posted on the website; and all necessary individuals will be notified. The list of 28 roads with the weight limit was referenced.

Mr. Griffin confirmed the more freeze/thaw cycles there are the more moisture, the more of an issue there will be. He explained the temporary status of the seasonal weight limits occur during the spring thaw only; once conditions are better the signs will be removed with normal weights back on the roads. The weight limit signs are enforced by Motor Carrier Services.

No public comment was received.

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

Resolution 2018-14 Setting Permanent Weight Limits on Specific Roads Under the Jurisdiction of Lewis and Clark County for 2018. (Eric Griffin)

Eric Griffin, Director of Public Works presented the resolution to set required permanent year round weight limits on roads that have sub-standard base material and are normally surfaced with a double shot chip seal. The roads will not stand normal highway loading without experiencing permanent costly repairs. The list of thirteen roads with this restriction was referenced with majority of the roads being Rural Improvement Districts. The weight restriction saves the resident's investment in their roads.

Mr. Griffin gave an overview of the four classifications of roads: gravel, millings, asphalt millings produced from roads such as Interstate 15; chip seal; asphalt mat. The millings and double chip seal roads cannot handle excessive weight.

No public comment was received.

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

Contract Agreement Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Robin Homan. (Melanie Reynolds)

Melanie Reynolds, Public Health Officer presented the contract with Robin Homan in the amount of \$5,000 for grant writing services. The contract will begin when the Request for Proposals (RFP) is posted by Montana Department of Administration through December 31, 2018. The Health Department would like to continue to provide case management services to individuals on the Big Sky Waiver program and the Severe Disabling Mental Illness Medicaid Waiver program. An overview of the Big Sky Waiver program and the Severe Mental Illness program was provided listing the eligibility requirements and that there are a limited number of slots for each with waiting lists as well.

The grant cycle eligibility comes up every seven to nine years and is very competitive. That brings the necessity of having someone such as Ms. Homan who is very familiar with the program and has worked at the state level and knows what is necessary for the RFP.

No public comment was received.


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

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

Adjourn

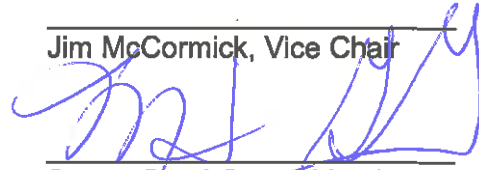
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:31 am.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Andy Hunthausen, Chair

Jim McCormick, Vice Chair



Susan Good Geise, Member

ATTEST:



Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board