



PUBLIC MEETING

April 30, 2020

MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, April 30, 2020, at 9:00 AM in Zoom Meeting <https://zoom.us/j/5669454978>.

Roll Call

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

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen and Commissioner Jim McCormick were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Dan Karlin, Jeni Garcin, Jennifer Preble, Kevin Horne, Reese Martin, Charles Lane, Travis Schneiderhan, David Oclander, Sydney Blair, Audra Zacherl, Nadine McCarty, and Misty Edwards, Recording Secretary. All attendees were present via Zoom.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending May 1, 2020. (Marni Bentley)

Roger Baltz reported on consent action item 2 a and recommended approval.

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.

Bid Opening. 2020 Crack Seal. (Audra Zacherl)

Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, presented the bid opening. Two bids were received. The project consists of routing, cleaning, and sealing cracks in the asphalt pavement that are 1/3" wide or wider on various county roads and RID's. The first bid is from Stripes, Inc. of Helena, MT. The bid is for 51,207 linear feet at \$1.55/foot for a total bid of \$79,250. The second bid is from Cap Paving of East Helena, MT. The bid is for 51,207 linear feet at \$1.52/foot for a total bid of \$77,834.64.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen for staff to take the bids under advisement and make a recommendation to the Commission on May 7. The motion was seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Detention Center Renovation Update. (Audra Zacherl)

Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, gave an update on the Detention Center Renovation. In the past month Sletten completed the security metal deck ceilings in the cells on both levels; the framing of the security ceilings in all the dayrooms and corridors; and running all conduit for the security and fire alarms for both levels. They also completed the priming and began the painting on the lower level; began hanging drywall on the ceilings of the three smaller dayrooms; and began taping the drywall on ceilings and walls.

Over the next few weeks Sletten will be installing the new uninterruptable power supply (UPS); hanging drywall for the big dayroom ceiling; pouring the floor for the Public Coordinators office as well as the control room; continue painting; installing window frames; and begin floor prep to be able to seal the concrete. The ADA improvements between the Courthouse and Detention Center will begin around May 11th and construction should be completed approximately May 25th.

Inmates will be transitioned from the upper floor down to the newly renovated space the end of May. The transition will occur in two phases to enable the upper floor to undergo minor renovations that include: splitting the exercise area in two; turning the laundry into a program room; turning the kitchen and medical areas into interview rooms; turning the visitation area, booking floor and detention offices into a 16-person dorm, public visitation, staff restroom and storage; making minor changes to Pod H to provide code required egress route; plumbing upgrades that include replacing valves for the sinks and lavatories in all cells, a new shower and ADA toilet/sink in Pod H; and security upgrades that include CAT 5 cabling, new cameras, tie existing locks, lighting and TV power into new controls, new security graphic plans and controls, and add duress alarms to all control stations.

Construction is anticipated to continue into September. The COVID-19 virus had affected work from subcontractors not having enough workers to materials not being manufactured to keep up with demand. At this time, there is no change to the schedule.

Renovations will transform all three floors of the Law Enforcement Center into detention space with a minimum of 156 beds. Funding for the Detention Center Renovation is from the voter approved \$6.5 million general obligation bond with additional funding from capital savings, bond premium and bond interest for a current total project budget of \$8.6 million.

Expenditures to date total \$4,858,520 with architecture at \$593,550; owner's rep at \$374,470; Sletten Construction at \$3,674,800; miscellaneous at \$215,700 that include testing, builder's risk, electric reroute, bond-related expenses.

Contract Amendment Between Lewis and Clark County and Helena YMCA. (Roger Baltz)

Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the contract amendment with Helena YMCA for shelter-in-place services to be provided at Camp Child. The amendment clarifies that the first \$30,000 in expenses incurred will be paid by Rocky Mountain Development Council. Those costs include the staffing the facility and \$10 per person per day for the use of the facility. Total costs will not exceed \$51,500 that has been committed by Rocky Mountain Development Council, Lewis and Clark County, the City of Helena and the City of East Helena. Mr. Martin added that the cost estimates for staffing as of April 23 is \$1,500 per week. Staff recommends approval of the contract amendment with Helena YMCA.

David Oclander, Helena YMCA, stated that he has not had a chance to review the amendment and would like to review before Commission approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner McCormick to table the item to the next regular public meeting on May 5th. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion passed 3-0.

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

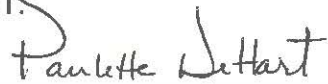
Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

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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