

PUBLIC MEETING

May 19, 2020 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 19, 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, Theresa Ortega, Vee Yang, Jacqueline Isaly, Peter Italiano, Kevin Horne, Nicole Newman, Jessica Makus, Jeni Garcin, Ann McCauley, Audrey McCue, Audra Zacherl, Nadine McCarty and Misty Edwards, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Proclamation Declaring May as Mental Health Month.

Vee Yang, Local Advisory Council Behavioral Health Coordinator, read the proclamation declaring May as Mental Health month in Lewis and Clark County. Ms. Yang stated that the normal events that they schedule during the month have been postponed to later in the year.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Bid Opening. 2020 Chip Seal. (Audra Zacherl)

Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, presented the bid opening for the 2020 Chip Seal project. The project consists of cheap seal surfacing, fog sealing and paint striping on various county roads and RID's in Lewis and Clark County. Three bids were received. The first bid is from Pavement Maintenance Solutions of Columbia Falls, Montana. The total base bid is in the amount of \$748,500.16 with an additive alternate of \$29,415.75. The second is from Helena Sand and Gravel, Inc. of Helena, MT. The total base bid is in the amount of \$758,227.64 with an additive alternate of \$40,341.60. The third bid is from Bullock Contracting, LLC of Boulder, Montana. The total base bid is fin the amount of \$666,101.34 with an additive alternate of \$32,777.55. A motion was made by Commissioner McCormick for staff to take the bids under advisement and make a recommendation to the Commission at the May 26th public meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Task Order 20-331-74135-0 Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Jacqueline Isaly)

Jacqueline Isaly, Community Health Promotion Division Administrator, presented the task order with the Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$55,000 to support the Governors Challenge Peer to Peer project providing evidenced-based services found to prevent/decrease suicide in the veteran population in Lewis and Clark County. The grant period is effective May 15, 2020 through June 30, 2021. Staff recommends approval of the task order with the Department of Public Health and Human Services.

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.

Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from the Montana Department of Commerce (Ann McCauley)

Ann McCauley, Grants Coordinator, presented the grant award from the Montana Department of Commerce for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Planning grant in the amount of \$32,000 to conduct a Preliminary Architectural Report (PAR) for the Good Samaritan Ministries building located on North Montana Avenue in Helena. A complete PAR is required for the CDBG Public Community Facilities grant application for project implementation. The application opening is expected in fall 2020. Grant writing services to complete the application is also included in the planning grant. The grant period is upon contract execution to February 28, 2021. Staff recommends approval of the grant award from the Montana Department of Commerce.

Ms. McCauley discussed the process when applying for CDBG grants. The City and County do a community needs assessment every year where organizations can come forward and ask for support in applying for a CDBG grant; applicants must be sponsored by a local government and local governments can only have one open grant at a time. Good Samaritan was chosen during the last assessment.

Theresa Ortega, Good Samaritan Ministries, thanked the Commission for the support and stated this is for a roof remodel project.

PUBLIC COMMENT -

Vee Yang, spoke in support of the project stating that many community members rely on the Good Samaritan for a variety of support services.

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

Board Appointment. (Audrey McCue)

Audrey McCue, Elections Supervisor, presented the board appointments to the Marysville Volunteer Fire District Board of Trustees. The Marysville Fire District election was canceled

pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA because the number of candidates that filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. When an election is canceled pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA and there are no regular or declared write-in candidates for a position, the Board of County Commissioners shall fill the position by appointment.

Chris Coyle and Jon Maxwell requested appointment to the open positions on the Marysville Fire District Board of Trustees. They were verified by the elections office to be registered voters of the district and eligible to fill the positions. The recommendation is to appoint Chris Coyle and Jon Maxwell to three-year terms on the Marysville Fire District Board of Trustees.

No public comment was received.

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

Board Appointment. (Audrey McCue)

Audrey McCue, Elections Supervisor, presented the board appointment to the Augusta Fire Service Area Board of Trustees. The Augusta Fire Service Area election was canceled pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA because the number of candidates that filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. When an election is canceled pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA and there are no regular or declared write-in candidates for a position, the Board of County Commissioners shall fill the position by appointment.

Chase Young requested appointment to the open position on the Augusta Fire Service Area Board of Trustees. He was verified by the elections office to be a registered voter of the district and eligible to fill the position. The recommendation is to appoint Chase Young to a three-year term on the Augusta Fire Service Area Board of Trustees.

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.

Board Appointment. (Audrey McCue)

Audrey McCue, Elections Supervisor, presented the board appointment to the Bridge Creek Estates Water/Sewer District Board of Directors. The District election was canceled pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA because the number of candidates that filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. When an election is canceled pursuant to 13-1-502, MCA and there are no regular or declared write-in candidates for a position, the Board of County Commissioners shall fill the position by appointment.

Tom Rygg requested appointment to the open position on the Bridge Creek Estates Water/Sewer District Board of Directors. He was verified by the elections office to be a registered voter of the district and eligible to fill the position. The recommendation is to appoint Tom Rygg to a four-year term on the Bridge Creek Estates Water/Sewer District Board of Directors.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner McCormick and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. 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.

Commissioner Hunthausen reminded the public about the potential for flooding.

<u>Adjourn</u>

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:48 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS Susan/Good Geise, Chair

Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair

Jim McCormick, Member

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Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board