



PUBLIC MEETING

May 21, 2019
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

Roll Call

Chairman Jim McCormick called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Susan Good Geise and Commissioner Andy Hunthausen were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Peter Italiano, Christian Lehnert, Kathy Moore, Greg McNally, Lindsay Morgan, Kevin Wright, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Public Meeting Minutes for April 16, 30; May 2 and 7, 2019. (Nadine McCarty)
- b. State of Montana Vendor Invoice Motor Vehicle Recycling & Disposal. (Kathy Moore)

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

Kathy Moore, Environmental Division Administrator, gave an explanation of the dollar amount to haul junk vehicles and the other work that the program does including: wrecking yard inspections, letter writing advising people of the junk vehicles on their property. The price of metal has brought people to haul their own junk vehicles so over the years the County is hauling less.

No public comment was received.

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

Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Helena Weed Control. (Christian Lehnert)

Christian Lehnert, Weed District Coordinator, presented the contract with Helena Weed Control for noxious weed spraying in the Jimtown Road area with work to be completed by July 30, 2019. There are 665 acres that will be treated with the focus on Dalmation Toadflax all other noxious weeds within the treatment area will also be treated. The contract is for time and materials for a total sum not to exceed \$36,000. Funding is through an agreement with the USDA Forest Service, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest for the Capital 360 Cooperative Landscape Weed

Management project. Mr. Lehnert explained the purpose of Capital 360 is to meet the three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy; resilient landscapes; fire adapted communities; and safe and effective wildfire response. Noxious weed management is outlined as one of the objectives within the Capital 360 planning area, a jurisdictional mix of private, city, county, state and federal lands. Staff recommends approval of the contract with Helena Weed Control.

No public comment was received.

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

Agreement to Extend Preliminary Subdivision Approval for the Cattle Baron Estates Subdivision. (Applicant: Varyn Land and Livestock, LLC) (Planner: Greg McNally)

Greg McNally, Planner III, presented the requested extension of the preliminary plat approval for the Cattle Baron Estates Minor Subdivision project. The property is located north of and adjacent to Sierra Road and west of the northern terminus of McHugh Lane. On July 16, 2015, the Commission granted preliminary plat approval for 5 lots, 4 lots for one single-family dwelling and one lot for non-residential use. The preliminary approval period was not to exceed three calendar years and the Applicant has requested a one year extension.

The Applicant has not been able to complete all of the required conditions of approval for the Subdivision in a timely manner. Several conditions of approval are complete or near completion. The following has been received or completed: DEQ approval; an active 5-year weed management plan; road plan approval, an approach permit; and has constructed, although not yet certified, the internal access road. Staff has been on-site and visually confirmed the Applicant's due diligence in completing the remaining conditions. The Applicant is currently working with County Public Works staff to offer a stormwater/floodwater easement through the proposed subdivision as an element of a larger stormwater/floodwater management plan in the general area of the subdivision.

The County Subdivision Regulations do not include criteria for determining the length of extension of preliminary approvals and prior extensions have varied from six months to five years. Staff has suggested that preliminary approval extensions provide no more than a three year extension, which reflects the current statutory framework of providing initial preliminary approval periods for three years. Staff has prepared a three year extension agreement for the Subdivision, although the Applicant indicated they intend to have completion of the project summer of 2019.

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 3-0 vote.

Resolution No. 2019-42 to Levy and Assess a Tax upon Benefited Property within the Saddle Rock Rural Improvement District No. 2018-03. (Planner: Lindsay A. Morgan)

Lindsay Morgan, Planner III, presented the resolution to levy and assess a special assessment upon benefited properties within the Saddle Rock Rural Improvement District. The property is located east of Collins Drive, south of and adjacent to Tea Road. The purpose of the assessment of \$183.75 is for maintenance of Saddle Rock Court internal access road and stormwater improvements. Legal notice was properly notified and as of this meeting no written comments had been received. Staff recommends the approval of the resolution.

No public comment was received.

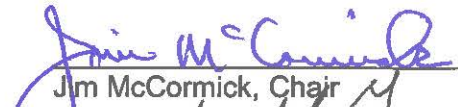
A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

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

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:28 am.

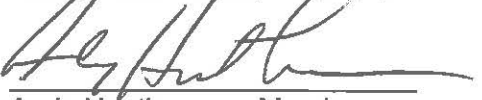
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