



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

May 21, 2020  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, May 21, 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, Peter Italiano, Dan Karlin, Tracie Kiesel, Charles Lane, Nicho Hash, Audrey McCue, Jay Nelson, Jayson Zander, Jeni Garcin, Brady Christensen, Jessica Makus, Kevin Horne, Nadine McCarty, and Misty Edwards, Recording Secretary. All attendees were present via Zoom.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

There were no consent action items.

### **Bid Opening. 2020 Paint Striping. (Dan Karlin)**

Dan Karlin, Engineer, presented the bid opening. The project generally consists of paint striping centerline and shoulder roadway marking on approximately 77.4 miles for various county roads and in RID's in Lewis and Clark County. We received one bid. The bid is from High Mark Traffic Services of Billings, Montana in the amount of \$98,630.

A motion was made by Commissioner McCormick for staff to take the bids under advisement and make a recommendation to the Commission on May 28th. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed 3-0.

### **Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Bullock Contracting, LLC. (Dan Karlin)**

Dan Karlin, Engineer, presented the contract with Bullock Contracting, LLC to supply Base Course Gravel. Per the agreement with Sussex Development, Lewis and Clark County Public Works solicited quotes to supply the necessary crushed Base Course Type A, Grade 6A gravel, to complete the project. Bullock Contracting, LLC was the low quote with a delivered cost of \$9.00 per

cubic yard. The estimated quantity of material is 4,468 cubic yards for an estimated total contract cost of \$40,212. Staff recommends approval of the contract with Bullock Contracting, LLC.

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.

**The Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force Annual Plan and Budget. (Jay Nelson)**

Jay Nelson, Montana Highway Patrol Sergeant, presented the Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force FY21 annual plan and budget. In 2018, 64% of all highway fatalities in Montana were the result of impaired driving; the national average is 29%. This is up from 61% in 2017. The goal of the task force is to reduce the number of alcohol related crashes and fatalities. Fatal and serious injury crashes in Lewis and Clark County have been higher in summer months for every year from 2009-2018 with the exception of 2016 where more crashes occurred in the winter months.

Tracie Kiesel, DUI Coordinator, discussed the importance of child restraints and proper use of car seats.

Sergeant Nelson explained the line items in the budget explaining the increase in items such as minor equipment.

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 for the Augusta Community 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.

Terri Lee Elder requested appointment to the open position on the Augusta Community Water/Sewer District Board of Directors. The elections office verified Terri Lee Elder to be a registered voter of the district and eligible to fill the position. The recommendation is to appoint Terri Lee Elder to a four-year term on the Augusta Community Water/Sewer District Board of Directors.

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.

**Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Dengel Surveying. (Peter Italiano)**

Peter Italiano, Community Development & Planning Director, presented the contract with Dengel Surveying in an amount not to exceed \$12,000 for legal description services related to the Helena

Valley Part 2 Zoning project. The contract begins upon approval with services to be completed by June 30, 2020. Staff recommends approval of the contract with Dengel Surveying.

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.**


**Adjourn**

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

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
Susan Good Geise, Chair  
Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair  
Jim McCormick, Member

ATTEST:



Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board