

PUBLIC MEETING May 23, 2019 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, May 23, 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, Misty Edwards, Kim Gardner, Dan Karlin, Charles Lane, Jennifer McBroom, Doug Nisbet, Amy Tenney, Jesse Whitford, Eric Griffin, Debra Crider, Reese Martin, Kevin Wright, David Schmitz, Lindsay Morgan, Greg McNally, Kari DesRosier, Aaron Douglas, Nancy Everson, Debra Crider, Janna McBride, Coco Nisbet, Laura Nisbet, Mike Nisbet, Susan Suter, Jered Wald, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Proclamation Declaring Thursday, May 23, 2019 as Doug Nisbet Day.

Eric Griffin, Public Works Director, recognized Doug Nisbet and the asset that he has been to Public Works and the community. Mr. Griffin introduced Mr. Nisbet and wished him the best in retirement. Mr. Nisbet noted it has been an honor and a privilege to work for Lewis and Clark County and thanked the County for all of the opportunities that he has been provided.

Commissioner McCormick read the proclamation declaring Thursday, May 23, 2019 as Doug Nisbet Day in Lewis and Clark County.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Boyd Andrew Community Services and Intermountain Annual Update. (Amy Tenney & Kim Gardner)

Amy Tenney, Chief Executive Officer of Boyd Andrew Community Services, presented the annual update to include: the provision of over 180 substance use disorder and mental health

assessments; conducted almost 1,500 hours of individual therapy; over 3,500 units of adult group therapy; conducted 57 substance use disorder assessments at the Lewis and Clark County Detention Center. Ms. Tenney stated Boyd Andrew continues to operate the transitional living facility for men serving approximately 26 men and gave an overview of those services. Boyd Andrew continues to provide evidence-based information via the Prime for Life curriculum for DUI offenders not diagnosed with a substance use disorder and have conducted nearly 100 assessments with over 70 individuals receiving the Prime for Life education course. Beginning January 2019 a fulltime peer support specialist was hired and has provided support to nearly 80 clients.

Both Intermountain and Boyd Andrew recognize the value of collaboration in the community and have been part of the Lewis and Clark County First Judicial Court since its inception and the fairly new Family Treatment Court that has served 18 families. Both entities are working with PureView Health Center to provide behavioral health and primary care under the same roof. With the help of alcohol tax dollars clinicians have completed training on evidence-based treatment programs. Boyd Andrew received a 100% score on the last annual quality assurance audit.

Commissioner Good Geise asked about recidivism and Ms. Tenney noted it depends on the program and addiction is a chronic relapsing disease. Ms. Tenney stated the Prime for Life program is difficult to have good numbers as Boyd Andrew is not the only providers, but the bulk of their clients this last year were first time offenders.

Commissioner Good Geise asked if there is a data tracking system and Ms. Tenney noted if that information was available it would be the Addictive and Mental Disorders Division.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked about the developing partnership with the Criminal Justice Services and Ms. Tenney stated she is waiting on a May meeting to discuss and noted they have been working with the mental health provider in the jail to assure substance use issues are addressed. Boyd Andrew does have some clients referred from the pre-trial program.

Commissioner McCormick asked how much of the OPIOD usage is illegal and Ms. Tenney noted the bulk of what they see is not obtained through legal means and noted legal substances such as alcohol is still a large issue as well as Spice.

Kim Gardner, Associate Clinical Director of Intermountain, stated they primarily serve children up to the age of 21 and presented the annual update that included: they served 275 people with 133 being direct clients; through the contract with public schools 127 screeners were done; sixty-five classes were conducted for youth cited for things such as minor in possession. Ms. Gardner noted they are trying to get ahead of the increasing juuling issue. Ms. Gardner gave an overview of the Awareness Network and their mission. Ms. Gardner reported on the collaboration of Intermountain and Boyd Andrew using the therapists located at PureView and also the school clinic in East Helena. Intermountain is working with the Local Advisory Committee (LAC) related to the co-occurrence of the substance use addressing a problem. Also through the LAC Intermountain is part of an emergency room crisis response team and Ms. Gardner gave an overview of the process that should occur when a child presents at the Emergency Room.

Commissioner Good Geise asked if there is a designated area in the hospital for people experiencing mental illness crisis and Ms. Gardner noted at this time there is not, but St. Peter's is looking at a model set up like a living room next to the ER.

Ms. Gardner gave an overview of the work being done through the Behavioral Care Alliance to pull all the providers of substance use treatment and mental health into one alliance. Intermountain is working with the Drug Abuse Coalition through Youth Connections.

No public comment was received.

<u>Bid Opening. Purchase of Concrete Precast Materials for the Construction of the Lewis & Clark County Trap Club Flood Mitigation Project. (Dan Karlin)</u>

Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented the bid opening. One bid was received from Forterra Pipe & Precast of Helena, Montana for a total bid amount of \$703,481.49.

Mr. Karlin gave an overview of the Trap Club Flood Mitigation project and details of the process that includes installation of 13 culverts with upsized piping to enhance the capacity for water movement. Mr. Karlin explained the reason for establishment of the Rural Improvement District (RID) that is an annual \$100 on approximately 1,600 parcels in the valley and noted the 25% match for these culverts is to be paid through the RID in an approximate amount of \$380,000.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen for staff to take the bid under advisement and make a recommendation to the Commission on May 28, 2019. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Good Geise. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Change Order No. 1 to the Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Cap Paving, Inc. (Jesse Whitford)

Jesse Whitford, Construction Project Coordinator, presented the change order to the contract with Cap Paving, Inc. on the South Forestvale II Rural Improvement District (RID) paving project to increase the scope of work, increase the contract price by \$15,342.38 and increase contract time by 5 days. The reason for the change order is in preparation for paving the contractor encountered poor subgrader soft spots in the road that need to be replaced. The original contract was for \$87,747 with the change order the current amount will be \$103,089.38. Staff recommends approval of the change order to the contract with Cap Paving, Inc.

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.

<u>Contract Amendment No 1 Between Lewis and Clark County and RESPEC. (Jennifer McBroom)</u>

Jennifer McBroom, Water Quality Protection District Supervisor, presented the contract amendment with RESPEC to extend the existing contract completion date from July 2, 2019 to September 1, 2019. The extension will allow for the County and RESPEC to reveal all project alternatives with the landowner with the goals of finalizing the design plan and to apply for funding for the 2021 Legislative Session through the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Reclamation and Development Grant Program. Ms. McBroom gave some background on the project noting the services are part of the Grizzly Gulch Mine Reclamation Planning Project and gave an overview of the benefits of the project. Staff recommends approval of the contract amendment with RESPEC.

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.

Updated Cell Phone Policy. (Misty Edwards)

Misty Edwards, Finance Coordinator, presented the updated cell phone policy and noted that staff revised the policy to include language regarding public records and employee's responsibilities regarding maintaining work related text and voice mail messages in accordance with Montana's local government records retention. The policy also clarifies County owned cell phones and the

process to obtain one as well as the expectation regarding privacy with the use of County owned devices. The updated policy has been reviewed by Department Heads and approved by the County Attorney's Office. Staff recommends approval of the updated cell phone policy.

Commissioner Good Geise asked if the cell phone stipend is accepted than any work related texts would need to be retained.

Charles Lane, Deputy County Attorney, stated the stipend received by a County employee is irrelevant to the creation of a public document. A County employee doing work and creating a text message even on a private phone not receiving a stipend is creating public information which is what is being addressed in the policy. Mr. Lane recommended that email be used rather than text messages by employees related to County business as the email system is linked to the Information Technology servers for retention according to the Montana required retention policies.

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.

Board Appointments. (Roger Baltz)

Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the board appointments for the Compensation Board and the Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force and recommended the appointment of Marie McAlear to the Compensation Board to a term that expires June 30, 2021 and the reappointment of Jay Nelson to the Lewis and Clark County DUI Task Force to a term that expires December 31, 2020.

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.

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 10:14 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

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