

PUBLIC MEETING May 3, 2016 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

Roll Call

Chairman Mike Murray 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 Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, K. Paul Stahl, Christal Ness, Matt Heimel, Shana Olds, Kevin Hamilton, Larry Hoffman, Bob Wilson, Christopher Michael, Al Olszewski, Jake Johnson, and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

a. Resolution 2016-23 Ordering a Refund of Taxes/Fees/Assessments Paid by Elaine Arterburn in the Amount of \$2,032.30. (Karie Frydenlund)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action item 2a and recommended approval.

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.

Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from the Montana Department of Agriculture. (Larry Hoffman)

Larry Hoffman, Weed District Coordinator, presented the grant award from the Montana Department of Agriculture for the Tributaries of the Little Prickly Pear Noxious Weed Project Grant Award in the amount of \$5,000. The project is from the weed trust fund and consists of 25 landowners.

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.

Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from the Montana Department of Agriculture. (Larry Hoffman)

Larry Hoffman, Weed District Coordinator, presented the grant award from the Montana Department of Agriculture for the Lincoln Valley Snowmobilers in the amount of \$4,337. The program covers over 700 miles of snowmobile trail.

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>Encroachment Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Richard and Susan Moran.</u> (Christal Ness)

Christal Ness, Ombudsperson, presented the encroachment agreement for a shop encroaching into a utility easement, created for the Barrett Minor Amended Subdivision, located at 6853 Green Meadow Drive. Ms. Ness provided the history of the property from a family transfer, a Minor Subdivision and a boundary line relocation leading to an amended plat. A utility easement was designated on western side of the canal for the lots. In her research she noted that the shop appeared to be in existence before the utility easement was platted during the amendend plat process. The encroachment agreement was done in 2002 and was not brought before the Commission when the property was sold in 2002. The utility companies have no objection to the encroachment agreement and there are not utilities in the easement.

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>Petition to Establish a County Road Easement on a Portion of a Public Road Known as "Valley Speedway Road". (tabled 4/26/16) (Applicant: Bob Wilson) (Planner: Matt Heimel)</u>

Matt Heimel, Special Districts Planner, presented the petition to establish an approximately .4 mile long portion of Valley Speedway Road, currently a public road, as a County road easement. The Commission held a hearing on April 26, 2016 and the public hearing was left open.

Commissioner Hunthausen discussed with Mr. Wilson the options before the Commission. One being to postpone the decision to allow more time for Mr. Wilson to gain support from the neighbors or to deny the proposal as the Commission does not have full support of all the neighbors.

Bob Wilson, 1313 Valley Speedway Road, stated he would be willing to obtain more signatures from his neighbors.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked legal staff about a third option creating a resolution to identify the road to provide traffic control on.

Michele Peterson-Cook stated if the end goal is to have a no parking restriction along Valley Speedway Road, the County can do a resolution to explain why no parking is necessary along the road and that would allow enforcement upon adoption of the resolution.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked Mr. Wilson his thoughts on adopting of a resolution.

Bob Wilson stated his goal is to address the parking issue and enforce it.

No further public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to deny the petition to establish a County road easement along a portion of Valley Speedway Road and to direct staff to bring a resolution forward to enforce no parking on Valley Speedway Road. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Geise. The motion was Passed on a 3-0 vote.

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

<u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:24 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Michael Murray, Chairman

Susan Good Geise, Vice Chair

Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:

Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board