

PUBLIC MEETING

May 5, 2022 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, May 5, 2022, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Room 330.

Roll Call

Vice Chair Tom Rolfe called the meeting to order at 9am.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen was present. Commissioner McCormick was out of office. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Audra Zacherl, Casey Hayes, Kellie McBride, Ken Breen, Connor Fitzpatrick, Kevin Horne, Jenny Chambers, Charles Lane, Ann McCauley, Brandi Spangler and Misty Edwards, Recording Secretary

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Proclamation Declaring May 6, 2022 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Day.

Larissa Moe, Child Care Connections, read the Proclamation for 2022 Child Care Provider Appreciation Day.

Consent Action Items

Bid Opening. 2022 Paint Striping Project. (Audra Zacherl)

Audra Zacherl, Assistant Director of Public Works, presented the bid opening for the 2022 paint striping project. Three bids were received. The first bid is from Streamline Markings, Inc. out of Billings, Montana. Schedule 1 has a price of \$121,687.60; Schedule 2 has a price of \$13,392.20 for a total of \$135,079.80. The second bid is from High Mark Traffic Services, Inc. Schedule 1 has a price of \$126,924; Schedule 2 has a price of \$14,053 for a total of \$140,977. The third bid is from Highway Specialties. The envelope is non-conforming. Charles Lane, Deputy County Attorney, stated the bid will be rejected.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen for staff to take the bids under advisement and make a recommendation for award at the May 12, 2022 public meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion passed 2-0.

Bid Award Withdrawal for Body Scanner. (Casey Hayes)

Casey Hayes, Purchasing Officer, presented the bid award withdrawal for Detention Center body scanner. On April 12, 2022, the Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners awarded a bid to KPrime Technologies, Inc. for the Detention Center body scanner project. Following award, it came to staff's attention that KPrime's bid did not meet the required size specifications for the product, although the vendor indicated on the Bid Specifications Worksheet portion of their bid that all specifications were met. Staff contacted the vendor to confirm the product's dimensions and it was determined that the product is unable to meet the required size specifications, staff requests a withdrawal of the awarded bid does not meet the project's required specifications, staff requests a withdrawal of the award to KPrime Technologies, Inc. and plans to reissue an Invitation for Bid for the Detention Center body scanner project.

Staff recommends withdrawing the bid award.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Administration. (Kellie McBride)

Kellie McBride, Criminal Justice Services Director, presented the agreement between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Administration for diversity and sensitivity training at the 2022 Pretrial Services and Misdemeanor Probation POST Academy, coordinated by Lewis and Clark County in collaboration with Montana Law Enforcement Academy. The cost of the training is \$570. Four other counties will be attending and sharing the cost. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

Ms. McBride gave an overview of the Criminal Justice Services Department.

Ken Breen, Pre-Trial Officer, gave his background and discussed the program and the work he does. Mr. Breen will be coordinating with the academy.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Resolution 2022-25 A Resolution Appointing Elections Judges for 2022-2024. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented the resolution appointing elections judges for 2022-2024. Election judges are to be appointed from lists of qualified registered electors submitted by the county central committees of the political parties eligible to nominate candidates in the primary election. Neither the Republican nor Democratic Central Committees submitted such lists. Any person appointed as an election judge in even-numbered years must complete a training session before being eligible to serve as an election judge. The list of individuals submitted with the resolution have completed training and are qualified to serve as election judges. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

Mr. Fitzpatrick discussed the training that election judges received.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Resolution 2022-26 Appointing Post-Election Audit Committee. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented the resolution appointing the post-audit election committee. Statute requires the Board of County Commissioners to appoint, prior to each federal election, at least three individuals to serve on the county audit committee. Staff recommends appointing county employees Nancy Everson, Misty Edwards, Rodger Nordahl, Justin Dannenbring, Sarah Woods and Marni Bentley to serve on the audit committee.

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Casey Hayes, Jefferson City, discussed the post election audit process. Mr. Hayes was the Gallatin County Elections Supervisor prior to moving to Helena.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Declaring Hospital District Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented the election by acclamation for the Lincoln Hospital District Board of Trustees. The election for the district was cancelled because the number of candidates who filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. Staff recommends declaring the one candidate who did file, George Brent Anderson, elected by acclamation.

Mr. Fitzpatrick discussed elections by acclamation.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Declaring Water/Sewer Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented the election by acclamation for the Augusta, Craig, East Canyon Ferry, Ranchview, Rimini, Ten Mile/Pleasant Valley, Wolf Creek, and West Canyon Ferry Water/Sewer Districts Boards of Directors. The elections for those districts were cancelled because the number of candidates who filed was less than the number of positions to be filled in each district. Staff recommends declaring the following: Barbara Vassar Geise and Kurt Geise to Augusta; Lori Roeder and John Lindow to Craig; Douglas Bing to East Canyon Ferry; Mark Fitzwater to Ranchview; Cathy Maynard, Indigo Snarr, and Jayson Snarr to Rimini; Thomas Stockton and Pete Storseth to Ten Mile Creek Estates/Pleasant Valley; George Boyle and Shawn Otheim to Wolf Creek; and Nikki DeWolf and Aaron Helfert to West Canyon Ferry Water/Sewer Districts, elected by acclamation.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Declaring Sewer District Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented the election by acclamation for the Treasure State Acres County Sewer District. The election for the district was cancelled because the number of candidates who filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. Staff recommends declaring the two candidates who did file, Culver Varnado and Robert Much, elected by acclamation.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Declaring Fire District Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor presented the election by acclamation for the Augusta Volunteer Fire District, Baxendale Volunteer Fire District, Birdseye Rural Fire District, Eastgate Volunteer Fire District, Lincoln Fire District, West Valley Fire District, and Wolf Creek Fire Service Area. The election for the districts was cancelled because the number of candidates who filed was less than the number of positions to be filled. Staff recommends declaring the following: Bruce Fuller to the Augusta Volunteer Fire District; Vicki Beck to the Baxendale Volunteer Fire District; Brad O'Shea and John Pavsek to the Birdseye Rural Fire District; Ralph White and Tawnya Rieben to Eastgate Volunteer Fire District; Donald LaRoque to Lincoln Fire District; Jim Dusenberry and David Clague to West Helena Valley Fire District; and Art Thompson and Rob Boboth to Wolf Creek/Craig Fire Service Area, elected by acclamation.

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

<u>Adjourn</u>

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:54 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

McCormick, Chair Tom Rolfe Chair

Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:

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Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board