



PUBLIC MEETING

June 14, 2018
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, June 14, 2018, 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 was present. Commissioner Andy Hunthausen was out of the office. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Marni Bentley, Kathy Moore, Drenda Niemann, Roger Smith, and Nadine McCarty, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending June 15, 2018. (Marni Bentley)

Roger Baltz reported on consent action item 2 a and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Right-of-Way Lease Agreement with Doug Demarest. (Roger Smith)

Roger Smith, Statewide Communication Microwave Network Administrator from the Sheriff's Office presented the right-of-way lease with Douglas Demarest in the amount of \$150 for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The agreement grants the right to Lewis and Clark County to use the road that passes through the Demarest Ranch to access the microwave communications site at Mt. Royal and the Sweet Grass Hills. Staff recommends approval of the right-of-way lease agreement.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Task Order 19-07-5-01-025-0 Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Tabled 6/7/18) (Drenda Niemann)

Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer presented the task order from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$82,095 to provide core maternal and child health services. The task order is effective July 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. The grant is a fifteen month grant because it will be on a federal fiscal year starting October 1, 2019. Staff recommends approval of the task order.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Task Order 19-07-5-41-177-0 Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Tabled 6/7/18) (Drenda Niemann)

Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer presented the task order from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$191,581 to implement Nurse-Family Partnership home visiting services. The model will serve an average of thirty high risk, low income first time pregnant women starting at 28 weeks gestation through two years of the child's life. One hundred clients have been enrolled in the program with 1,141 home visits. In Fiscal Year 2019 a half-time nurse will be hired to serve additional families. The caseload is currently at 112 percent. The grant period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Staff recommends approval of the task order.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Task Order 19-07-3-01-009-0 Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Tabled 6/7/18) (Drenda Niemann)

Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer presented the task order from the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$364,688 to implement activities to reduce the burden of chronic disease: including cancer control, tobacco prevention, asthma home visiting, first breath tobacco sensation for pregnant women, and the expansion of CONNECT Referral System. Ms. Niemann gave an overview of the individual activities and the services provided by each. Lewis and Clark County is the regional hub that manages the task order for Lewis and Clark, Jefferson, Broadwater and Meagher Counties. The grant period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Staff recommends approval of the task order.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner McCormick. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

Internship Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Carroll College. (Kathy Moore)

Kathy Moore, Environmental Division Administrator presented the internship agreement with Carroll College in the total amount of \$4,250 for a student intern to measure ground water levels in private wells and collect water quality samples in the North Hills area and along Spokane Creek. The agreement period is through August 15, 2018. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

Ms. Moore gave an overview of the two projects. The North Hills project regarding the observed ongoing declines in water levels. The area in question is North of Lincoln Road, east of Interstate 15, west of Hauser Dam Lake Road. Total funding for the project is \$2,250 paid by the Water

Quality District. The project near Spokane Creek is outside the Water Quality Protection District fee accessed area and the staff does not work in that area. The residents requested a study be completed. The intern will collect baseline information. Funding will be in the amount of \$2,000 paid by the Community Development and Planning Department.

The Water Quality Protection District's strategic plan asks that water quality curriculum projects be developed and projects in partnership with local educational institutions.

Commissioner Good Geise referenced a recently discussed subdivision in the Spokane Creek area with concerns centering on water availability and asked for an explanation of the study. Peter Italiano, Director of Community Development and Planning explained the purpose of the study. How it will be used will depend on what the data sets provide. The way subdivisions are reviewed regarding water availability, sustainability is with assistance from the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC). There is clearly enough hydrologic activity in the area that questions are raised. There seems to be a relationship between more recent development and water levels. It is very difficult to draw a conclusion that more wells have been installed therefore other wells are negatively impacted. Depending on the results the growth policy may need to be reviewed, possibly class 2 zoning issues, and possibly greater discussion with the state legislature regarding how subdivisions are analyzed pertaining to water sustainability.

Ms. Moore stated information will probably be able to be analyzed by the early fall.

No public comment was received.

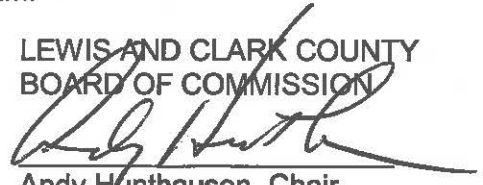
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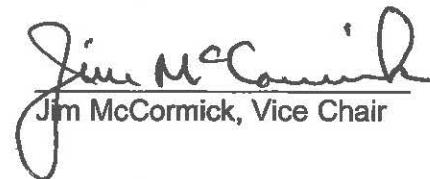
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:44 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSION


Andy Hunthausen, Chair


Jim McCormick, Vice Chair

Susan Good Geise, Member

ATTEST:


Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board

