



PUBLIC MEETING

June 4, 2019
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, June 4, 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, Peter Italiano, Charles Lane, Drenda Niemann, Marina Kuntz, Christian Lehnert, Spencer Starke, Sam Neill, Kevin Wright, Brian Coplin, Thomas Plank, Chere Juisto, Jonathon Ambarian, and Misty Edwards, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Contract Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Drenda Niemann)

Drenda Niemann, Lewis and Clark Public Health Officer, presented the master contract with the Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. All task orders that fund public health related services are issued under this contract. Services to be provided and the accounting of funds will be outlined in each specific task order, which are individually presented to the Commission. The contract period is July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2026. Staff recommends 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.

Planning Initiative to Build Bridges Between Jail and Community-Based Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder (Kellie McBride)

Kellie McBride, Criminal Justice Services Director, was not in attendance to present the item.

A motion to move the agenda item to the regularly scheduled public meeting on June 11th was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion was approved 3-0.

Modification to the Participating Agreement with USDA, Forest Service (Christian Lehnert)

Christian Lehnert, Weed Coordinator, presented the contract modification with the USDA Forest Service, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest for the Capital 360 Cooperative Landscape Weed Management Project. The original contract was signed in August, 2016. The purpose of the Capital 360 project is to meet three goals of the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy: resilient landscapes; fire adapted communities; and safe and effective wildfire response. Noxious weed management is outlined as one of the objectives within the Capital 360 planning area. This modification is to add an addition \$33,076 in funding to continue weed treatments as outlined in the original award with a County in-kind match of \$15,558.40. Staff recommends approval of the modification.

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.

Agreement Between PureView Health Center and Disability Determination Services. (Jill Steele)

Marina Kuntz, PureView Health Center Finance Coordinator, presented the contract with Disability Determination Services (DDS) to provide an examination room one day a month at PureView in order for the DDS physician to complete physical exams. The rate is \$50/half day and \$100/full day. Staff recommends approval.

Ms. Kuntz gave a brief overview of the services that are provided at Parker Medical Clinic in Lincoln.

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.

Bid Rejection. Forestvale Cemetery Maintenance Building Addition Project. (Misty Edwards)

Misty Edwards, Finance Coordinator, presented the bid rejection for the Forestvale Maintenance Building project. On May 28th, a bid opening was held for the Forestvale Cemetery Maintenance Building Addition Project. Two bids were received: Golden Eagle Construction in the amount of \$433,500; and, Abraham Construction in the amount of \$404,900.

This project consists of constructing a 1,200 square foot addition with a small office and conference room and additional shop/storage area for cemetery equipment. The project is budgeted in the Forestvale Cemetery CIP and the architect estimated the project at \$280,000 with a contingency of \$20,000, for a total square foot cost of \$234. Both bids that were received exceeded the budget and the estimated costs by more than \$100,000 or \$100 square foot.

At this time, staff recommends rejecting all bids to allow review of the project and costs associated with it.

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.

Amended Plat of Lots 1, 2, and 4- C. F. & W. Commercial Minor Subdivision (Applicant: SS&K Properties, LLC) (Planner: Spencer Starke)

Spencer Starke, Planner I, presented the final plat of Amended Plat of Lots 1, 2 and 4 - C.F&W Commercial Minor Subdivision; the applicants are SS&K Properties, LLC. Preliminary plat approval was granted on April 11, 2019 subject to three conditions of approval; all three conditions have been satisfactorily met.

The preliminarily conditional approval was for the abandonment of the utility easement between lots 1 and 2 of the existing C.F. & W. Commercial Minor Subdivision. The conditions of approval involved modifying the submitted preliminary plat to meet State and County requirements, as well as providing legal documentation of ownership.

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.

Petition to Alter the Boundaries of the Birdseye Fire District Area (Planner: Sam Neill)

Samantha Neill, Planner I, presented the petition to alter the boundaries of the Birdseye Fire District Area. The Birdseye Fire District (FD) has requested to annex certain adjacent lands into their district as authorized by SEciton 7-33-2125, MCA. The lands in question are currently contained within the Lewis and Clark County Fire Service Area (FSA). The first step in the annexation of property from the FSA into a FD is the presentation of the petition, approved by the FD Board of Trustees, to the County Commission. Upon receipt of the acceptable petition, statute requires the BoCC set a date to hold a public hearing on the petition.

It is anticipated that the location of the properties will be better served by the Birdseye FD. A majority of the properties included in the proposed annexation area are undeveloped or serve as single-family homes. The Birdseye FD has submitted a letter of approval for the annexation. Subsequent to the annexation process, the properties will be removed from the Lewis and Clark FSA and added to the Birdseye FD. The services would be funded by assessments made with the Birdseye FD. The property owners within the proposed area have been presented with the proposed change of their fire assessment rate.

No public comment was received.

A motion was made by Commissioner Good Geise to approve the petition and set the public hearing date as July 9, 2019 and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

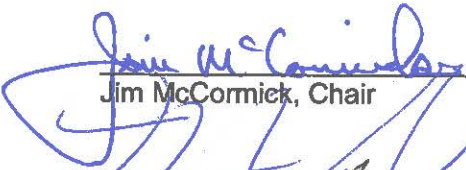
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

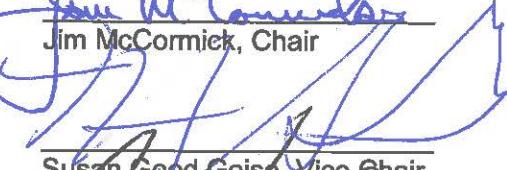
Brian Coplin, discussed a specific mental health crisis that recently occurred in the Helena area. He would like to discuss the issues and crisis responses further with the Commission.

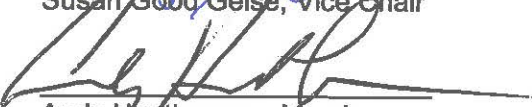
Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:50 a.m.

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


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Andy Hurthausen, Member

ATTEST:


Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board