



PUBLIC MEETING

April 6, 2023
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, April 6, 2023, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Room 330.

Roll Call

Chair Tom Rolfe called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen and Commissioner Candace Payne were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Dustin Noel, Eric Spangenberg, Connor Fitzpatrick, Sierra Anderson, Pam Attardo, Jenny Chambers, Amy Reeves, Ethan Mancili, Becky Stockton, Loy Chvilicek, Ardan Colgan, Van Gottwals, Drake Scheke, Lant Barney, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Bid Award. 2023 Four New Reversible Plows. (Dustin Noel)

[2:07] [1 of 2] Dustin Noel, Public Works, presented a bid award for four reversible plows. There was one bid opened for the project on March 30, 2024, from Monroe Truck Equipment of Monroe, Wisconsin in the amount of \$56,804. Staff recommends approval of the bid award.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Resolution 2023-20 Establishing Commission District Boundaries in Lewis and Clark County. (Eric Spangenberg)

[8:58] [1 of 2] Eric Spangenberg, Geographic Information Systems Supervisor, presented a resolution establishing boundaries for Lewis and Clark County Commission districts. It is required for the boundaries are re-evaluated every ten years. Information used to establish any changes in boundaries is from the 2020 Census. Being no significant change in population, the boundaries do not need adjusted. He explained how boundary lines are established. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Resolution 2023-21 Establishing Precinct Boundaries In Lewis and Clark County. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[25:09] [1 of 2] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a resolution redistricting Lewis and Clark County precinct lines. Redistricting is done every ten years and due to new House District lines, the precinct boundaries need to be updated. He gave a background to explain reasons for changing boundaries and the government process. The boundaries are established by registered voters to create competitive elections. Elections have 45 days from the House District changes to redistrict their boundaries. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Becky Stockton, resident, asked about possible typo on a document that lists precincts and went through the math that she concluded from the document and asked about Senate Districts.

Lant Barney, resident, pointed out a word in the resolution that he feels should be changed; the word "confirm" with "conform".

Mr. Fitzpatrick answered questions from the public, there is no typo on the document. He explained districts that are shared with other counties. He will take a look at the language from the resolution that was used from ten years ago to create the one presented today.

Nicho Hash, Deputy County Attorney, suggested a recess to discuss the language. Chair Rolfe called for a ten-minute recess.

[:07] [2 of 2] Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. Hash concluded that the resolution should be changed to conform based on language in statute.

Commissioner Hunthausen made a motion to accept the amendment to the resolution and was seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

A motion to Approve the resolution was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Grant Application to Montana Disaster & Emergency Services. (Sierra Anderson)

[3:25] [2 of 2] Sierra Anderson, Disaster and Emergency Services Coordinator, presented a grant application to Montana Disaster and Emergency Services for fiscal year 23-24 Emergency Management Performance Grant Program through the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) in the amount of \$121,564.80 with a required match of \$60,782.40. Staff recommends approval of the grant application.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from the Foundation for Montana History. (Pam Attardo)

[7:22] [2 of 2] Pam Attardo, Heritage Preservation Officer, presented a grant award from the Foundation for Montana History in the amount of \$5,000 for the repair of Unionville school, specifically a

bowed wall and rafters. The community of Unionville is providing in kind match through materials and labor. These funds will serve as a match for American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds requested for the project. The contract period is April 7, 2023 through June 30, 2024. Staff recommends approval of the grant award.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Law and Justice Center Building 2nd Floor Remodel Project and Funding Plan Update. (Roger Baltz)

[16:25] [2 of 2] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented an update to the Law and Justice Center Building 2nd Floor Remodel Project and funding plan. Work has begun at 406 Fuller Ave. The building is owned by the City and County and both parties have agreed to all aspects of the project. Funding was approved in the last budget cycle. An amendment to the budget is for \$12,762 for unforeseen issues needing attention. No additional funding is being requested. Staff recommends approval and acknowledgement of the revision to the funding plan and acknowledgement of the project update.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen made a motion to accept and acknowledge the amendment to the funding plan and acknowledge update information on the project and seconded by Commission Payne. 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 10:36 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on 4/25/2023


LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS



Tom Roffe, Chair



Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair



Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board