



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

August 15, 2023  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, August 15, 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, Jessica Makus, A.C. Rothenbuecher, Phil Gonzalez, Greg McNally, Toni Austad, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

a. Equitable Sharing Agreement and Certification. (Tammy Potter)

[1:28] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on 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 Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

### **Resolution 2023-69. To Levy and Assess the Lincoln Rural Improvement District 2022-3. (Jessica Makus)**

[3:17] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Coordinator, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Lincoln Rural Improvement District (RID) to \$90, up from \$59.45. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record and Blackfoot Valley Dispatch. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

[6:12] Toni Austad, 208 2nd Ave. Lincoln, MT, is in support of the increase and thanks staff for attention and preparing for the future, therefore avoiding the need for another loan at the last minute. She does have issues with the right-of-way, maintenance of the right-of-way, and drainage from runoff collecting on her property due to a driveway that was built across the street. There is no enforcement of the law that prohibits altering of the right-of-way. She feels unsupported by the County and is losing trust in her local government.

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

**Resolution 2023-70. To Levy and Assess the Lambkins Rural Improvement District No. 2022-4. (Jessica Makus)**

[18:05] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Coordinator, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Lambkin Rural Improvement District (RID) to \$0.0049 per square foot, up from \$0.001972 per square foot; an average increase of \$48 per year. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record and Blackfoot Valley Dispatch. 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.

**Grant Award Amendment to Lewis and Clark County from Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (A.C. Rothenbuecher)**

[22:01] A.C. Rothenbuecher, Community Health Promotion Division Administrator, presented a grant award amendment from Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services for additional funding for the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infant, and Children (WIC) Program. The increase of the grant award is \$30,787. The grant period is until September 30, 2023. Staff recommends approval of the amendment.

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 2023-71. To Levy and Assess the Mayville Manor Road Rural Improvement District No. 2022-01. (Phil Gonzalez)**

[24:55] Phil Gonzalez, Planner II, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Mayville Manor Road Rural Improvement District (RID) for \$420.00 per year per benefited property. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record. 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 2023-72. To Levy and Assess the Grand Vista Estates Fire Rural Improvement District No. 2021-07. (Phil Gonzalez)**

[29:51] Phil Gonzalez, Planner II, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Grand Vista Estates, Ph I-IV Fire Rural Improvement District (RID) to \$70.35 per year per benefited property. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record. 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 2023-73. To Levy and Assess the Grand Vista Estates Road Rural Improvement District No. 2021-06. (Phil Gonzalez)**

[37:14] Phil Gonzalez, Planner II, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Grand Vistas Estates Ph I-IV Road Rural Improvement District (RID) to \$344.00 per year per benefited property. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record. 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 2023-74 to Amend the Olivet Road Rural Improvement District No. 2021-2. (Phil Gonzalez)**

[39:57] Phil Gonzalez, Planner II, presented a resolution to amend the Olivet Road Rural Improvement District (RID) to remove storm water detention pond maintenance, as it is not required in the RID. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Independent Record. 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.

**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 9:43 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on 8/24/23

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
Tom Rolfe, Chair

  
Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair

  
Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:

  
Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board