

PUBLIC MEETING

March 2, 2023 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, March 2, 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, Brian Robertson, Dan Karlin, Jenny Chambers, Marni Bentley, Charlie Sparey, Cannon Colegrove, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending March 3, 2023. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Public Meeting Minutes for February 9, 2023. (Brandi Spangler)
- [1:16] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action items 2a-b 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.

Cooperative Law Enforcement Operating Plan Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and the USDA, Forest Service, Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest. (Capt. Brian Robinson)

[2:40] Brian Robinson, Patrol Captain, presented a Cooperative Law Enforcement Operating Plan Agreement with the USDA Forest Service and Helena Lewis and Clark National Forest Service. Service period is from January 1, 2023 through December 31, 2023 in the amount of \$13,500 to perform campground checks, emergency response, and other patrol within the Forest Service within Lewis and Clark County. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

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.

<u>Task Order Amendment No. One Between Lewis and Clark County and Great West Engineering.</u> (Dan Karlin)

[6:20] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a task order amendment with Great West Engineering to change the scope of work to include a box culvert and three easements for the Arrowhead Drive Rural Improvement District (RID) Bridge Replacement that will increase cost by \$6,700. It is effective upon both parties' signatures with work to be completed by December 31, 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.

Indefinite Term Lease Between Lewis and Clark County and BNSF Railway Company. (Dan Karlin)

[12:28] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented an indefinite term lease with BNSF Railway Company for \$7,318 annually, including a 3% rent increase for a 20-year period beginning December 1, 2022 on a parcel of real property situated in Craig. This parcel is to be made into a parking lot for the Craig Fishing Access. Staff recommends approval of the lease.

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.

Cooperative Management Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and State of Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. (Dan Karlin)

[22:38] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a cooperative management agreement with the State of Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks for improvements and maintenance of the Craig Fishing Access overflow parking lot for a period of 20 years that will end January 1, 2043. Staff recommends approval of the cooperative management agreement.

Charlie Sparey and Cannon Colegrove, Fish Wildlife and Parks, spoke on the importance of the lease for the parking lot that will ultimately provide safety for the residents and visitors of Craig.

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.

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

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:35 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on March 14, 2023

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tom Rolfe, Chair

Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair

Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:

Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board