



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

March 30, 2023  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, March 30, 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, Marni Bentley, Jeff Wadekamper, Laurel Riek, Audra Zacherl, Dan Karlin, Connor Fitzpatrick, Eric Spangenberg, Mac McCarley, Keeley Hunthausen, Kari DesRosier, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending March 31, 2023. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Resolution 2023-18 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Amy Reeves)
- c. Resolution 2023-19 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Amy Reeves)
- d. Public Meeting Minutes for March 14, 16, 2023. (Brandi Spangler)

[1:37] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action items 2a-d 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.

### **Concurrence with the Airport Authority's Selection for the Next Airport Financial Audit Services Contract. (Jeff Wadekamper)**

[3:25] Jeff Wadekamper, Airport Authority Director, presented a selection for the next airport financial audit services contract with Rudd & Company for fiscal years 2023 through 2025. Request for

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.

**Contract Between Lewis and Clark and Facility Improvement Corporation. (Audra Zacherl)**

[27:39] Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, presented a contract with Facility Improvement Corporation (FICO) for services needed to replace pneumatic controls in the Lewis and Clark County Courthouse. Compensation for labor and equipment are not to exceed \$283,467 with work to be completed within fifteen months of contract execution. Staff recommends approval of the contract.

Mac McCarley, Maintenance Technician, stated pneumatic controls coming out of the courthouse will be transferred over to the City County building for replacement parts for the system there.

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.

**Task Order No.19 to the Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Great West Engineering, Inc. (Dan Karlin)**

[31:32] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a task order with Great West Engineering for design services for plans and specifications to replace the North Beaver Creek Road Bridge over Keep Cool Creek. Time and materials are not to exceed \$58,300 with final plans to be delivered by February 15, 2024. Mr. Karlin gave the history of the area and this project. Staff recommends approval of the contract with an end date of July 15, 2024.

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 Application to the 2023 Montana Federal Lands Access Program. (Dan Karlin)**

[35:18] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a grant application for capital improvements to Hauser Dam Road in the amount of \$5,966,872.01. If successful, the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) grant will allow \$13.24 Million with no local match. The Lake Helena Drive Road improvements Phase I is top priority for submission of the FLAP Program. Four applications were submitted in 2021 and were unsuccessful. Three of the applications have been updated for the 2023 call for applications. 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 Application to the 2023 Montana Federal Lands Access Program. (Dan Karlin)**

[43:21] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a grant application for the Federal Lands Access Program (FLAP) for Dearborn Canyon/Flat Creed Road improvements, which is the second priority for funding. If successful, the grant will allow \$4,427,995.82 worth of work with no local match. Staff recommends approval of the grant application.

[1:03:56] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, gave updates on Commissioner Districts and stated that he invited people to come for public comment in the April 6 meeting. He stated everything is going well in the elections office and they are on track with elections coming up.

**Adjourn**

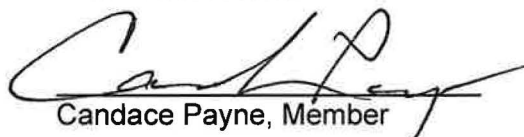
There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:06 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on APRIL 13, 2023

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BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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Tom Rolfe, Chair

  
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Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair

  
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Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:

  
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Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board