



PUBLIC MEETING

May 4, 2023
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, May 4, 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, Bradley Bragg, Calob Marquis, Jessica Makus, Dan Karlin, Jenny Chambers, Connor Fitzpatrick, Jesse Whitford, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and NCIC Inmate Communications. (Brad Bragg)

[2:04] Bradley Bragg, Detention Center Captain, presented a contract with NCIC Inmate Communications for systems that include telephone, video visitation, messaging and other services for incarcerated population at no cost to the County. The agreement period is three years. Staff recommends approval of the contract.

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.

Bid Award. 2023 Rural Improvement District Asphalt Overlay Project. (Calob Marquis)

[6:56] Calob Marquis, Special Districts Construction Supervisor, presented a bid award for the 2023 Rural Improvement District (RID) Asphalt Overlay Project. Three bids were opened April 27, 2023. Staff recommends awarding the bid to the low bidder, Hoffman's R&M Services of Butte, Montana for \$174,251.50.

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.

Bid Award. 2023 County Asphalt Overlay Project. (Dan Karlin)

[10:56] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a bid award for the 2023 County Asphalt Overlay Project. Three bids were opened April 27, 2023. He explained the process of reviewing and recommending bid awards. Staff recommends awarding the bid to the low bidder, Helena Sand & Gravel, Inc. of Helena, Montana in the amount of \$303,690.

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.

Bid Award. Valley Drive Improvements. (Dan Karlin)

[18:30] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a bid award for the Valley Drive Improvements. Two bids were opened April 20, 2023. He gave an overview of Bridge and Road Safety Accountability Act (BARSA) funds for projects that have benefited the community, including this project that is in partnership with the City of East Helena and gave a background of the project. Staff recommends awarding the bid to the low bidder, Helena Sand and Gravel, Inc. of Helena, Montana for \$1,201,717.

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 County and JHS, Inc. (Jenny Chambers)

[26:40] Jenny Chambers, Public Works Director, presented a contract with JHS, Inc. in the amount of \$16,800 for aerial and ground mosquito control for the Craig-Wolf Creek area for the 2023 season. The contract period begins on approval and automatically renews every year for a period of three years. Staff recommends approval of the contract.

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 County and JHS, Inc. (Jenny Chambers)

[32:27] Jenny Chambers, Public Works Director, presented a contract with JHS, Inc. in the amount of \$228,550 for aerial and ground mosquito control for the Helena Valley for the 2023 season. The contract period begins on approval and automatically renews every year for a period of three years. Staff recommends approval of the contract.

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.

Interlocal Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and the City of Helena. (Jenny Chambers)

[35:16] Jenny Chambers, Public Works Director, presented a renewal of an Interlocal Agreement with the City of Helena for solid waste management services in the amount of \$157,500. The agreement begins July 1, 2023 for a period of five years with auto renewal for an additional two years unless the agreement is terminated. She reviewed the changes that were made to the Interlocal Agreement and discussed composting services. Staff recommends approval of the Interlocal 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.

Declaring Fire District Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[44:00] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented candidates elected by acclamation for Fire District Boards of Trustee and recommended declaring the election by acclamation of Joe Barrett and Chase M. Young to three-year terms for the Augusta Fire District; Paul M. Olsen to a three-year term for the Augusta Volunteer Fire District; Linda J. Keim and Dennis McCall to three-year terms to the Baxendale Volunteer Fire District; Doug Richey to a three-year term to the Birdseye Rural Fire District; Mathieu Bianchini to a three-year term to the East Helena Valley Volunteer Fire District; Catherine E. Culver to a three-year term to the Eastgate Volunteer Fire District; Gary Weisner and Richard Birkholz to three-year terms to the Lincoln Fire District; Glenn M. Henderson and Bonnie M. Jones to three-year terms to the Tri-Lakes Fire Service Area; Marc Boutilier and Greg Archie to three-year terms to the West Helena Valley Fire District; Don "Wyatt" Reed to a three-year term to the Wolf Creek - Craig Fire Service Area; and J.R. McFadden to a three-year term to the York Fire Service Area.

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.

Declaring Lincoln Hospital District Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[48:24] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a candidate elected by acclamation for the Lincoln Hospital District and recommended declaring the election by acclamation of Karen Frank-Plumlee to a three-year term.

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.

Declaring Upper Blackfoot Valley Community Council Candidates Elected by Acclamation. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[50:32] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a candidate elected by acclamation for the Upper Blackfoot Valley Community Council and recommended declaring the election by acclamation of Richard Foreman to a three-year term.

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.

Board Appointments - Fire Districts. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[52:40] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented candidates for the York Fire Service Area and Marysville Volunteer Fire District and recommended the appointment by acclamation of Julie Ouzts to the York Fire Service Area and Jon J. Maxwell and Michael Pool to the Marysville Volunteer Fire District.

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.

Board Appointment - Upper Blackfoot Valley Community Council. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[57:03] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a candidate for the Upper Blackfoot Valley Community Council and recommended the appointment by acclamation of Kevin R. Grantier to a three-year term.

No public comment was received.

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

Board Appointment - Baxendale Volunteer Fire District. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[58:58] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a candidate for the Baxendale Volunteer Fire District and recommended the appointment of Mark D. Scott to an unexpired term that will expire in May 2024 with an opportunity to refile for election at that time.

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.

Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, addressed the upcoming elections and reminded the community to keep their voter registration current.

Adjourn


There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on June 01, 2023

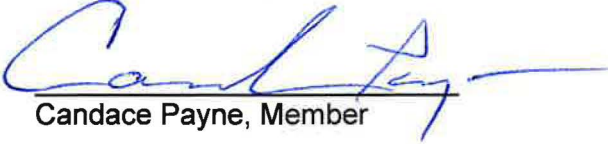
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Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair



Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board