



## **PUBLIC MEETING**

April 9, 2024  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2024, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Rm 330.

### **Roll Call**

Chair Andy Hunthausen called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Candace Payne and Commissioner Tom Rolfe were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Keegan Shea, Bradley Bragg, Brian Robinson, Drenda Niemann, Amy Reeves, Phil Gonzalez, Greg McNally, Cody Colbert, Jason Crum, Brent Colbert, Steve Michelson, Aaron Bowman, Jonathon Ambarian, Nadine McCarty, and Florence Liston, Recording Secretary.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

### **Consent Action Items**

- a. Resolution 2024-18 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Amy Reeves)

[01:10] 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 Payne and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Other on a 3-0 vote.

### **Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and Axon Enterprise, Inc. (Bradley Bragg)**

[02:19] Bradley Bragg, Detention Center Captain, presented the contract with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for tasers, training and certifications in the amount of \$404,381.37. The contract begins August 1, 2024, and is good through July 31, 2029. Staff recommends approval.

No public comment was received.

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

**Grant Application to the United States Department of Justice. (Brian Robinson)**

[08:52] Brian Robinson, Patrol Captain, presented the grant application to the United States Department of Justice for the Law Enforcement Mental Health and Wellness Act in the amount \$200,000. There is no match requirement, and the grant period begins October 1, 2024, and is good through September 30, 2026.

No public comment was received.

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

**Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Area 41 Vigilantes Gun Club. (Jordan Chriske-Hall)**

[16:40] Brian Robinson, Patrol Captain, presented the contract with AREA 41 Vigilantes Gun Club in the amount of \$1,200 annually for the use of the gun club. The contract begins upon last signature for one year with three annual renewals.

No public comment was received.

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

**Grant Task Order Amendment No. 1 to Task Order 24-07-7-11-147-0 Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Drenda Niemann)**

[22:11] Drenda Niemann, Health Director/Health Officer, presented the grant task order amendment from the Department of Public Health and Human Services to fund the wastewater surveillance program. The term has extended to June 30, 2026, and the amount has increased by \$189,950 for a total of \$271,850.

No public comment was received.

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

**Resolution 2024-19 Ordering the Billing of 2023 Taxes to Collect Additional Mills. (Amy Reeves)**

[46:17] Amy Reeves, Treasure/Clerk and Recorder, presented Resolution 2024-19 ordering the billing of 2023 taxes to collect additional Mills.

No public comment was received.

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

**Abandonment of a Portion of Farm View Drive, Road 2023-003. (Phil Gonzalez)**

[1:00:15] Phil Gonzalez, Planner II, presented the abandonment of Farm View Drive a county road. Farm View Drive is located within the Bachmeier Subdivision. Staff recommends approval.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

[1:06:03] Steve Michelson, 2021 Farm View Drive, would like to know the reason for the changes and is concerned that it may affect the way he enters his property and his address. He is appreciative of the turn lane.

[1:08:33] Mr. Gonzalez explained the reasons for reducing access points. This is only eliminating a portion of Farn View Drive and residents will still have access through Farm View Drive to their property. The future plan is to have the new access be named Farm View Drive.



A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Rolfe 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 busine Meeting minutes approved on 6-27-24

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
Andy Hunthausen, Chair  
Candace Payne, Vice Chair  
Tom Rolfe, Member

ATTEST:

  
Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board