

PUBLIC MEETING

June 11, 2024 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, June 11, 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, Laurel Riek, Jessica Makus, Keegan Shae, Margaret Miller, Matthew Cooper, Barbara Rush, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Grant Task Order 23-07-4-51-006-0 Amendment One Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Laurel Riek)

[1:13] Laurel Reik, Disease Control and Prevention Division Administrator, presented amendment one to a task order with Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$49,970. The task order is for HIV prevention services and to promote vaccinations to priority populations to reduce the transmission of HIV. The task order is effective June 1, 2023 through March 31, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the amendment.

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 25-07-4-51-103-0 Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. (Laurel Riek)

[4:21] Laurel Reik, Disease Control and Prevention Division Administrator, presented a grant task order with Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services in the amount of \$22,800 for

HIV medical case management services. The task order is effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the task order.

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 2024-45 to Levy and Assess the Countryside Rural Improvement District No. 2021-4. (Jessica Makus)

[7:17] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Program Coordinator, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Countryside Road Rural Improvement District (RID) \$150 upon each benefiting property. With 59 benefiting properties, the total assessed for annual maintenance is \$8,850. A meeting was held on April 17, 2024 with 11 attendees. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Helena Independent Record. As of June 11, 2424, no written testimony has been received. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- [19:40] Matthew Cooper, 3190 Mountain Meadows Road, the Countryside Road RID does not benefit him as he does not go that way.
- [21:55] Margaret Miller, represents Five Miller Butterflies, states she does not benefit from the RID. She has had no issues with drainage or the road when people were filling in potholes. There is one culvert that was installed in the wrong area. She does not foresee benefits of more culverts being installed. She feels the assessment is unfair as she owns three benefiting properties.
- [32:32] Dennis Prody, 6961 Black Sandy Loop, had previously filled in potholes on Black Sandy Road. This RID has been a godsend. He is in support of the increase.
- [34:06] Ty Dralle, 3179 Mountain Meadows Rd., commented by phone as he is deployed. He is not in support of the RID or the increase. He has only seen improvements once since the RID was created.
- [37:07] Ms. Makus explained the process of how RIDs are created and how benefiting properties are determined. An engineer was brought in and conducted studies for the drainage and his suggestions were followed.

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

Resolution 2024-46 to Levy and Assess the Rosemary Acres Rural Improvement District No. 2007-1. (Jessica Makus)

[1:08:46] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Program Coordinator, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Rosemary Rural Improvement District (RID) for \$240 upon each benefiting property. With a total of 54 benefiting properties, the annual total assessed is \$12,960. A public meeting was held March 20, 2024 with 9 attendees. Legal notice was sent to each property owner and published in the Helena Independent Record. As of June 11, 2024, no written testimony has been received. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

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.

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

[1:13:53] Barbara Rush, 720 Holter St., stated nothing is taken care of on her street. She pays \$3,000 per year property tax. She is upset that the County Commission would vote yes on matching grants, specifically \$88,000 for a Commission for pandemics.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:15am.

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