

PUBLIC MEETING

April 11, 2024 MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, April 11, 2024, at 9:00 A.M. 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, Dan Karlin, Kevin Horne, Ed Tinker, Elizabeth Hale, Nelda Walker, Pam Von Bergen, Marni Bentley, Nadine McCarty, Jeremy Mygland, Greg McNally, and Florence Liston, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Vendor Claims for the Week Ending April 12, 2024. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Resolution 2024-20 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Amy Reeves)

[01:16] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action items 2a-b and staff recommended 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.

Bid Award. Valley Drive Improvements. (Dan Karlin)

[02:27] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented the bid award. On March 28, 2024, three bids were opened for the Valley Drive Improvements project. The project consists of asphalt overlay for a portion of Valley Drive, from Canyon Ferry Road to Howard Road approximately 8.96 miles. Funding for this project is in the road infrastructure budget. After the review of the bids, staff recommends awarding the contract to Hoffman's R&M Services, Inc. of Helena, Montana, for the total contract amount of \$148,618.

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.

Bid Award. Augusta Gravel. (Dan Karlin)

[05:23] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented the bid opening. On March 28, 2024, one bid was opened for the Augusta Gravel Supply project. The project consists of providing 20,000 tons of 1 1/4" minus top surfacing gravel, stockpiled within a ten-mile radius of the intersection of Sun Canyon and Barr Creek Roads, Augusta, Montana. Funding for this project is in the road infrastructure budget. After review of the bid, staff recommends awarding the contract to Valley Sand and Gravel, LLC. of Helena, Montana for the total contract amount of \$197,800.

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.

Cooperative Forest Road Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and the United States Forest Service. (Kevin Horne)

[09:50] Kevin Horne, Road and Bridge Operations Supervisor, presented the Cooperative Forest Road Agreement Schedule A with the United States Forest Service. This long-lasting agreement allows maintenance on specific roads outlined within the agreement to be performed by either Lewis and Clark County on US Forest Service roads or by US Forest Service on Lewis and Clark County roads. The reason for the change is to identify specific roads that may require additional maintenance due to timber harvest operations on designated haul routes. 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.

Board Appointments. (Roger Baltz)

[26:34] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented the board appointments for the Augusta Solid Waste District Board, Board of Adjustment, and the Fair Board.

There has been a vacancy for over a year on the Augusta Solid Waste District Board. Lloyd Allen and Dale Clark applied. Staff recommends a selection be made to complete the vacant term that expires December 31, 2025.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Appoint Dale Clark to the Augusta Solid Waste District Board was made by Commissioner Rolfe and seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Nicole McKeith resigned from the Board of Adjustment with a term to expire June 30, 2024. Tony Quirini applied. Staff recommends considering Tony Quirini for the position on the Board of Adjustment that expires June 30, 2024.

No public comment was received.

A motion to accept the application of Tony Quirini to sit on the Board of Adjustment in place of Nicole McKeith was made by Commissioner Payne and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

FayDee Hamilton, A Jo Young, Jay Sherley have served on the Fair Board with partial terms that expired December 31, 2023. FayDee Hamilton does not wish to be reconsidered. Both A Jo Young and Jay Sherley wish reappointment. Mat Walter and John Moore applied. Staff recommends selection of candidates for the three positions on the Fair Board.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Appoint Jay Sherley, A Jo Young, and John Moore to the Fair Board 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</u> not on the agenda above.

Elizabeth Hale, resident of Helena, talked about election integrity.

Jeremy Mygland, resident of the county, talked about election integrity.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:47 a.m.

Meeting minutes approved on 4-23-24

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMISSIONERS

Andy Hunthausen, Chair

Candace Payne, Vice Chair

Tom Rolfe, Member

ATTEST:

Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board