



PUBLIC MEETING

August 6, 2024
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, August 6, 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, Audra Zacherl, Drenda Niemann, Jessica Makus, Misty Edwards, Jenny Chambers, Kevin Tenney, Kellie McBride, Kari DesRosier, James Thomas, Greg McNally, Frank Cornwell, Jesse Whitford, Kim Smith, Liam Turner, Caleb Turner, Shae Bruursema, Ann McCauley, Jennifer McBroom, Mark Rivera, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Bid Opening. Fairgrounds Gravel. (Audra Zacherl)

[2:00] Audra Zacherl, Assistant Public Works Director, opened bids for the Fairgrounds Gravel project. Three bids were received. The first bid was from Valley Sand and Gravel, schedule one in the amount of \$77,688; schedule two in the amount of \$54,600. The second bid was from Helena Sand and Gravel for schedule one in the amount of \$105,300 and schedule two in the amount of \$57,720. The third bid was from Valley Sand and Gravel as an alternate bid for schedule one in the amount of \$88,920 and schedule two in the amount of \$57,720. Staff recommends taking the bids under advisement and coming back with a recommendation on August 20, 2024.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Payne made a motion for staff to take the bids under advisement and come back with a recommendation on August 20, 2024. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Department Head Updates.

[8:27] James Thomas, IT&S Director, gave an IT&S update.

[18:33] Kellie McBride, Criminal Justice Director, gave a Criminal Justice Services update.

[28:55] Kevin Tenney, Fairgrounds Manager, gave a Fairgrounds update.

[35:55] Shae Bruursema, Extension Agent, gave an Extension update.

[41:51] Jenny Chambers, Public Works Director, gave a Public Works update.

[1:01:01] Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer, gave a Public Health update.

[1:08:05] Kari DesRosier, Human Resources Director, gave a Human Resources update.

[1:14:31] Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, gave a Grants and Purchasing update.

[1:22:32] Greg McNally, Community Development and Planning Director, gave a Planning update.

[1:31:03] Chief Financial Officer, Frank Cornwell, gave a Finance update.

[1:33:23] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, gave a CAO update and shared a report from the Disaster and Emergency Services department.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

[1:39:00] Caleb Turner is pleased with being at the meeting and hearing updates.

Subrecipient Agreement Between Lewis and Clark Public Health and Jefferson County. (Drenda Niemann)

[1:40:02] Drenda Niemann, Public Health Officer, presented a subrecipient agreement with Jefferson County in the amount of \$37,450 to conduct tobacco use prevention work. The term of the agreement is July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the agreement.

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 2024-80 Relating to \$10,408.71 Bond for the Lewis and Clark County Long Gulch Rural Improvement District No. 2022-06: Fixing the Form and Details and Providing for the Execution and Delivery Thereof and Security Therefor. (Jessica Makus)

[1:45:02] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Coordinator, presented a resolution relating to a \$10,408.71 bond for the Long Gulch Rural Improvement District (RID) for the final loan drawdown. Approval of the resolution will begin the payback process. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

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.

Resolution 2024-81 to Levy and Assess the Long Gulch Rural Improvement District No. 2022-06. (Jessica Makus)

[1:51:21] Jessica Makus, Special Districts Coordinator, presented a resolution to levy and assess the Long Gulch Rural Improvement District (RID) to \$154 for improvements, down from \$294 due to the project being completed by Lewis and Clark County at a lower total project price. Legal notice was sent to all property owners and published in the Helena Independent Record. No public testimony was 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.

Resolution 2024-82 Increasing the Solid Waste Disposal Fee as Recommended by the Augusta Solid Waste District. (Misty Edwards)

[1:54:49] Misty Edwards, Senior Finance Coordinator, presented a resolution to increase the annual Augusta Solid Waste assessment rate to \$145 per unit as recommended by the Augusta Solid Waste District Board. Staff recommends approval of the resolution.

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.

Board Appointments. (Roger Baltz)

[2:00:20] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented candidates for the Board of Adjustment and recommended the Commissioners consider the applicant and select a candidate for the open position.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to reappoint Toni Quirini to the Board of Adjustment to a term that expires June 30, 2026. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

[02:02:22] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented candidates for the Heritage Preservation and Tourism Council and recommended the Commissioners consider the applicants and select candidates for the open position.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to reappoint Roger Dey and Christopher Averill to the Heritage Preservation Tourism Council to terms that expires June 30, 2027. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

[2:06:02] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented candidates for the Consolidated City-County Planning Board and recommended the Commissioners consider the applicants and select a candidate for the open position.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Payne made a motion to appoint Sharlet Berentsen to the Consolidated City-County Panning Board to a term that expires September 1, 2027. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

[2:08:20] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented candidates for the Water Quality Protection District and recommended the Commissioners consider the applicants and select a candidate for the open position.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to reappoint Patrick Johnson to the Water Quality Protection District to a term that expires June 30, 2027. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Payne. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

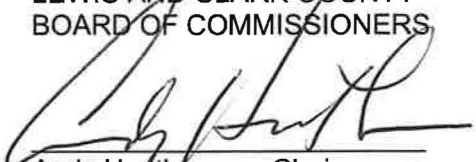
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:11am.

Meeting minutes approved on 8-20-24


LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Andy Hunthausen, Chair


Candace Payne, Vice Chair


Tom Rolfe, Member

ATTEST:


Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board