



PUBLIC MEETING

December 5, 2024
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, December 5, 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, Shae Bruursema, Ann McCauley, Jenny Chambers, Jesse Whitford, Marni Bentley, Betsy Kirkeby, Kevin Horne, Eric Griffin, Audra Zacherl, Misty Edwards, Dan Karlin, Jade Wills, Christian Lehnert, Pat Whitford, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Announcement

a. Employee Recognition. (Jenny Chambers)

[1:10] Jenny Chambers, Public Works Director, and the Commissioner recognized Jesse Whitford for his years of service and retirement.

[2:56] Jessica Makus, Kevin Horne, Eric Griffin, Commissioner Rolfe, and Nicho Hash shared their appreciation of Jesse and shared stories.

[12:40] Jesse Whitford spoke about time with the County and read his retirement letter.

No public comment was received.

Consent Action Items

a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending December 6, 2024. (Marni Bentley)

[18:46] 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 Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana State University Extension. (Shae Bruursema)

[19:56] Shae Bruursema, Extension Agent, presented an annual agreement with Montana State University Extension in the amount of \$302,026 for support of extension work including portions of agent's salaries. 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 2024-117 to Affirmatively Participate in the Montana Community Reinvestment Plan by Identifying and Approving A Community Reinvestment Organization. (Ann McCauley)

[25:16] Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented a resolution to affirmatively participate in the Montana Community Reinvestment Plan by identifying and approving NeighborWorks Montana as the community reinvestment organization (CRO). 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.


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 9:29 am.

Meeting minutes approved on 12-19-24

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Andy Hunthausen, Chair


Candace Payne, Vice Chair



Tom Rolfe, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board