



PUBLIC MEETING

January 16, 2025
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, January 16, 2025, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Room 330.

Roll Call

Chair Candace Payne called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioners Tom Rolfe and Andy Hunthausen were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, Keegan Shea, Leo Dutton, Sherri Martin, Ann McCauley, Marni Bentley, Connor Fitzpatrick, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending January 17, 2025. (Marni Bentley)

[2:24] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, stated this item did not go through review and it would be appropriate to postpone the item to the next meeting.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen made a motion to postpone this item to January 21, 2025. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to change the date to January 23, 2025 to properly notice the item. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Memorandum of Understanding Between Lewis and Clark County and Missouri River Drug Task Force. (Leo Dutton, Sheriff/Coroner)

[4:19] Leo Dutton, Sheriff/Coroner, presented a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Missouri River Drug Task Force for establishing guidelines and procedures for a multi-agency task force to address drug related crimes. The agreement period is July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2027. Staff recommends approval of the MOU.

No public comment was received.

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

Amendment No.1 to Grant Award Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. (Ann McCauley)

[13:40] Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented an amendment to an American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant award with the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation for water/sewer upgrades for LaCasa Grande Estates Water and Sewer District. The amendment extends to project period to December 31, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the amendment.

No public comment was received.

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

Amendment No.1 to Subrecipient Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and LaCasa Grande Estates Water-Sewer District. (Ann McCauley)

[17:57] Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented a subrecipient agreement with LaCasa Grande Estates Water-Sewer District for upgrade project period to extend to December 31, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the subrecipient agreement.

No public comment was received.

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

Grant Award to Lewis and Clark County from Montana Disaster and Emergency Services. (Dawn Temple)

[21:19] Ann McCauley, Grants and Purchasing Director, presented a grant award from Montana Disaster and Emergency Services State and Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) for a \$4,500 voucher for a SANS Institute training course in lieu of federal funding. The training is anticipated to be complete by December 31, 2025. Staff recommends approval of the grant award.

No public comment was received.

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

Board Appointment - West Valley Fire Rescue District. (Connor Fitzpatrick)

[25:35] Connor Fitzpatrick, Elections Supervisor, presented a board appointment to the West Valley Fire Rescue District and recommended the Commissioners consider appointing Anna Baker to fill the vacancy until the next regular election, May 2025.

Commissioner Hunthausen made a motion to appoint Anna Baker to the West Valley Fire Rescue District until the next regular election, May 2025. Commissioner Rolfe seconded the motion. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Board Appointment. (Roger Baltz)

[29:34] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented a board appointment to the Compensation Board and recommended the Commissioners consider the candidate for a partial term that will expire June 30, 2027.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to appoint Greg Jackson to the Compensation Board to a partial term that will expire June 30, 2027. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. 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 9:35 am.

Meeting minutes approved on 1-30-25

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Candace Payne, Chair


Tom Rolfe, Vice Chair


Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:


Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board