

**PUBLIC MEETING
JULY 2, 2013
MINUTES**

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, July 2, 2013, at 9 a.m. in Commission Chambers Room 330 of the City-County Building, 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana.

Chairman Mike Murray called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen and Commissioner Susan Good Geise were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Eric Griffin, Emily Post, Paul Montgomery, Roger LaVoie, Skeeter Baertsch, Archie Harper, LaDawn Whiteside, Jack Walsh, Al Knauber, Steve Netschert and Rita Cortright, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone recited the Pledge.

Consent Action Items. (Eric Bryson)

- a. Resolution 2013-64 Ordering a Refund of Taxes/Fees/Assessments Paid by the Craig Community Cemetery Association in the amount of \$358.28. (Cheryl Green)
- b. Resolution 2013-65 Ordering a Refund of Taxes/Fees/Assessments Paid by Debra Crider in the Amount of \$11.26. (Cheryl Green)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action items and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved approval of Consent Action Item 2.b. Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved to table Consent Action Item 2.a. and address it at our next public scheduled meeting. Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Independent Contractor Contract Between Lewis & Clark County and Spur Studio, LLC. (Emily Post) The Commissioners will consider the contract for the design of education and outreach materials for the "Don't Waste Montana" campaign in an amount not to exceed \$24,000 for the period June 25 – Sept. 30, 2013. (Tabled from June 25, 2013)

Emily Post, Sustainability Coordinator, presented the \$24,000 Contract with Spur Studio for design and production of educational materials for the "Don't Waste Montana" rural waste campaign. Materials included a billboard, magnets, and informational signs for the transfer stations in the communities of Lincoln, Augusta, East Helena, Montana City and Townsend.

Commissioner Murray had expressed concern on June 25 with the amount of funding that appeared to be for billboard development; subsequently his concerns had been adequately addressed.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Good Geise moved adoption of the Independent Contractor Contract Between Lewis & Clark County and Spur Studio, as recommended by staff. Commissioner Hunthausen seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.



Independent Contractor Contract Between Lewis & Clark County and Bullock Contracting, LLC. (Eric Griffin) The Commissioners will consider the contract for 2,500 tons of asphalt chip aggregate from the Mosher Pit, Hwy. 435, Augusta, MT, in an amount not to exceed \$62,500 for the period July 2 – July 31, 2013.

Eric Griffin, Public Works Director, presented the Contract with Bullock Contracting for crushing and stockpiling 2,500 tons of asphalt chip aggregate at the Moser Pit on Hwy. 435 for a sum not to exceed \$62,500, and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Good Geise moved to sign the Independent Contract Between Lewis & Clark County and Bullock Contracting, as recommended by staff. Commissioner Hunthausen seconded the motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Approval of L&C County Flood Mitigation Master Plan for the Helena Valley. (Eric Griffin, Paul Montgomery) (Tabled from June 25, 2013)

Eric Griffin, Public Works Director, presented the Helena Valley Flood Mitigation Master Plan prepared by Anderson-Montgomery Consulting Engineers, Inc. Flooding events in 2011 resulted in the need for developing the Master Plan. The County sought to explore solutions to alleviate flooding impacts within the Ten Mile Creek/Silver Creek drainages in the Helena area. The goal was to develop and implement an overall floodwater management system that would reduce or eliminate flooding impacts in the Helena Valley. The contract's Scope of Work was reviewed. In addition, he noted Paul Montgomery assisted with preparation of an application for a FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant at the Trap Club.

Paul Montgomery, vice president of Anderson-Montgomery Consulting Engineers in Helena delivered a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the Master Plan, last revised in April 2013. The Final Report would be available in July. A public hearing had been held April 25, 2013. Mr. Montgomery addressed Findings and Recommendations of the Master Plan, a Summary of Projects and Estimated Costs, and On-going Activities. General discussion took place on the components of the plan, including culverts and alternative plans, and the two ditches involved.

Public comment –

Roger LaVoie, 512 Stadler, Helena, said he had been working for the past 12-14 months on road improvements in the Big Sky Subdivision; work was set to begin in about two weeks. He supported acceptance, not adoption, of the Master Plan and cited the plan that resulted from the flooding in 1981, noting not much change resulted from that plan. He expressed appreciation for the work already undertaken along Forestvale Road and McHugh and Mill Road and urged further improvements in the subdivision.

Archie Harper, 901 Lynn Road, Helena, coordinator for Helena Valley Committee, supported moving forward with implementation of the Plan; doing nothing was not an option.

LaDawn Whiteside, 5440 Robin Drive, Helena, was very interested in implementing the plan, even if incrementally, and stressed the importance of finding solutions for Valley residents.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved acceptance of the Lewis & Clark County Flood Mitigation Plan as presented by Mr. Montgomery. Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion.

Eric Bryson distributed and recommended inclusion of the packet of documents labeled 1-8, the official public comments that came in as a result of this preliminary study, and suggested incorporating them as part of the public record.

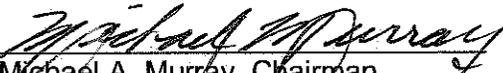
Commissioner Hunthausen amended the motion to include those as part of the record.

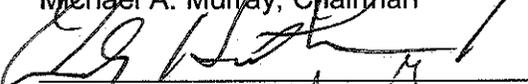
Commissioner Good Geise seconded the amended motion. The motion carried 3-0.

Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above. None.

There was no other business and the meeting adjourned at 10:13 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Michael A. Murray, Chairman


Andy Hunthausen


Susan Good Geise

ATTEST:


Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board