

**PUBLIC MEETING
OCTOBER 28, 2014
MINUTES**

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, October 28, 2014, at 9 a.m. in Commission Chambers Room 330 of the City-County Building, 316 North Park Avenue, Helena, Montana.

Chair Susan Good Geise called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Andy Hunthausen was present. Commissioner Mike Murray was excused for personal business. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, Katie Jerstad, Lindsay Morgan, Kim Smith, Al Knauber, and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance. Everyone recited the pledge.

Employee Recognition. (Doug Nisbet)

Larry Chapman, Asst. Road and Bridge Operations Superintendent, placed third in the Road Grader competition at the 2014 National Rodeo held in Loveland, Colorado.

Clay Caudle, Bridge Department Lead Man, placed first in the Backhoe competition at the 2014 APWA Snow Rodeo in Great Falls, MT.

This item will be presented at the regularly scheduled public meeting on Thursday, November 6, 2014.

Consent Action Items. (Eric Bryson)

- a. Public Meeting Minutes: October 7 and 16, 2014 (Nichole Nisbet)
- b. Resolution 2014-115 A Resolution Selling Property (Eric Bryson)
- c. Resolution 2014-116 Declaring County Property Surplus Property (Amy Reeves)
- d. Resolution 2014-117 Declaring County Property Surplus Property (Amy Reeves)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action items 3 a-d and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved to approve consent items 3a-d.

Commissioner Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Independent Contractor Agreement between Lewis and Clark and CompuNet, Inc. (Art Pembroke) Eric Bryson

The Commissioners will consider the independent contractor agreement between Lewis and Clark County and CompuNet for 24/7 emergency telecommunications support during the transition to new support staff as well as consulting services as needed in the amount of \$10,000. The contract period is through June 30, 2015.

Eric Bryson presented the independent contractor agreement between Lewis and Clark County and CompuNet, Inc. to provide emergency services to the County as the IT department moves through the transition period of hiring a new staff member who will handle the internal IT telecommunications infrastructure.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved to approve the independent contractor agreement.

Commissioner Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Public Hearing. Proposed Road Abandonment of Two Public Access Easements Located Southwest of the Junction of North Montana Avenue and John G. Mine Road.
(Applicant/Principal Petitioner: Larry Kim Smith) (Planner: Lindsay A. Morgan)

The Commissioners will consider the request.

Lindsay Morgan presented the proposed road abandonment of two public access easements located southwest of the junction of North Montana Avenue and John G. Mine Road. The applicant is proposing a subdivision with an alternative roadway design and the existing easements are not in agreement with this proposal. In addition, the proposed easements for the subdivision will better coordinate with the Helena Valley Irrigation Districts canal. Both properties will still have legal and physical access onto the state right-of-way to North Montana. Comments received from the County Road Supervisor, Helena Valley Irrigation District, North Western Energy, the Fire District and the County Commission all concluded that there are no objections to the proposal.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Geise stated that the public hearing is now closed.

Commissioner Hunthausen moved to approve the proposed road abandonment.

Commissioner Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

Board Appointment: (Eric Bryson)
Baxendale Fire District

Eric Bryson presented the notarized petition for appointment of Cindy Gradin as a trustee to the Baxendale Fire District.

No public comment was received.

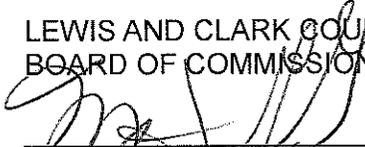
Commissioner Hunthausen moved to approve the board appointment.

Commissioner Geise seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

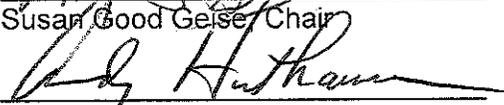
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:11 am.

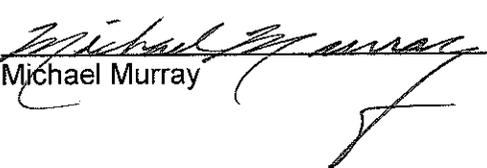
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Susan Good Geise, Chair

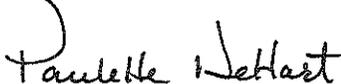


Andy Hunthausen



Michael Murray

ATTEST:



Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board