

**PUBLIC MEETING**  
**July 10, 2014**  
**MINUTES**

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting will be held on Thursday, July 10, 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 Murray out of town on County business. Commissioner Andy Hunthausen was present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Audra Zacherl, Nancy Everson, and Anne Todd, Recording Secretary.

**Pledge of Allegiance.** Everyone recited the Pledge.

**Consent Action Items.** (Eric Bryson)

Eric Bryson stated there are no Consent Action Items.

**Bid Opening – 2014 Chip Seal Resurfacing** (Audra Zacherl) The Commissioners will consider opening the bids.

Two bids were received:

1. Pavement Solutions, Inc - \$782,058.64
2. Helena Sand and Gravel, Inc. - \$890,098

Commissioner Hunthausen moved to direct staff, to evaluate bids for completeness and make a recommendation to the Commission on Tuesday, July 15<sup>th</sup> at our regularly scheduled meeting.

Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

**Presentation of County's Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2015.** (Nancy Everson) The Commissioners will hear the presentation on the proposed Fiscal Year 2015 budget.

Nancy Everson presented the proposed budget for fiscal year 2015 and stated current services all included in the 15 year budget incentives in this budget is master planning for the detention center, number one priority for the Commissioner. Also included is valley flood projects, mental health services and the contingency funding. Debt and capital, low debt net ration caused almost entirely by the department's commitment to saving for capital purchases and projects. We will hold a public meeting on July 22 and those public notices will be in the paper on the next two Sundays. The hearing will be held in this room at 9 o'clock on July 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Commissioner Hunthausen made a few comments about the budget over all and in general the fiscal health and county and recognized the excellence in the departments and how they have been able to really be frugal and pay attention and present budgets that are not only balanced but really responsible and really move the county forward and those things really need to be pointed out to the public. We are really moving forward and this county is in strong a strong fiscal position, a responsive fiscal position and we are going to get many things done. He pointed that out these numbers get confusing for folks and watching you don't understand the percentages but ultimately this equates to a good job well done by our departments and fiscal staff.

Nancy Everson stated it is up on the Lewis and Clark Counties website and copies are available in the Commission Office.

No public comment received.

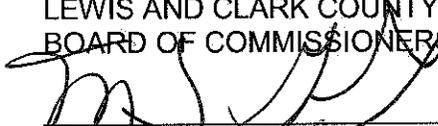
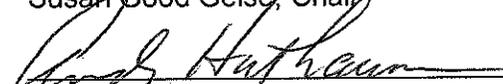
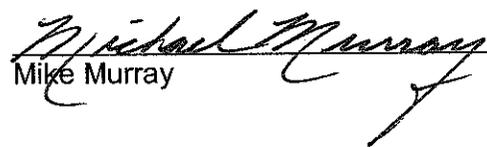
Commissioner Hunthausen moved to adopt the 2015 Lewis and Clark preliminary budget as presented by Ms. Everson.

Commissioner Good Geise seconded the motion. Motion carried 2-0.

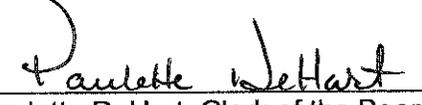
**Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.**

There was no further business and the meeting adjourned at 9:25 a.m.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

  
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Susan Good Geise, Chair  
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Andy Hunthausen  
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Mike Murray

ATTEST:

  
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Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board