



**PUBLIC MEETING**  
October 22, 2015  
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, October 22, 2015, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

**Roll Call**

Chairman Andy Hunthausen called the meeting to order at 9 a.m.

Commissioner Susan Good Geise was present. Commissioner Mike Murray was excused on County business. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, K. Paul Stahl, Kevin Hamilton, Marni Bentley, Christal Ness, Keith Hatch, Melanie Reynolds, Eric Griffin, Bob Abelin and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

Everyone recited the pledge.

**Consent Action Items**

- a. Vendor Claims Report for week ending October 23, 2015. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Resolution 2015-150 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Amy Reeves)
- c. Resolution 2015-151 Requesting Prosecutorial Assistance in the State of Montana vs. Freddie Joe Lawrence and Paul Kenneth Jenkins. (Leo Gallagher)

Eric Bryson reported on the consent action items 2a-c and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

**Contract Amendment No. 1 Between Lewis and Clark County and Christman Roofing. (Keith Hatch)**

Keith Hatch, Fairgrounds Manager, presented the contract amendment No. 1 to the contract originally dated September 15, 2015 between Lewis and Clark County and Christman Roofing. The amendment is in the amount of \$5,370.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

**Contractor Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Joan Miles. (Melanie Reynolds)**

Melanie Reynolds, Health Officer for Lewis and Clark County, presented the contract between Lewis and Clark County and Joan Miles in an amount not to exceed \$5,325 to work with the County public health accreditation team to develop and implement a public health law seminar and to review and advise the accreditation team on required documentation for national public health accreditation. The public health law training will be held in December at the all staff meeting. The contract period will begin September 15, 2015 and continues through June 1, 2016.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

**Ordinance to Establish a Speed Limit on North Montana Avenue Ordinance Number 2015-2. (Eric Griffin)**

Eric Griffin, Public Works Director, presented ordinance 2015-2, to establish a speed limit of a section of North Montana Avenue, north of Lincoln Road and to provide penalties for a violation.

Bob Abelin of Abelin Traffic Services stated that he performed two speed studies on this road to determine if the posted speed limit is appropriate for the existing road conditions and travel patterns. It was noted that comparable roads in the County have posted speed limits quite a bit lower than the recommended speed limit. The study recommended the speed limit to be reduced from 55 miles per hour to 45 miles per hour.

No public comment was received.

A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

**Final Plat. DeCunzo Subdivision. (Applicant: East Helena Valley Volunteer Fire District) (Planner: Lindsay A. Morgan)**

Lindsay Morgan, Planner II, presented the final plat for the preliminarily approved, 2-lot Subdivision located west of and adjacent to Valley Drive, adjacent to the City Limits of East Helena. Christal Ness, on behalf of the applicant, East Helena Valley Volunteer Fire District, has submitted an application for final approval of the DeCunzo Subdivision, a preliminarily-approved Subdivision that will create two lots, a two-acre parcel for the existing fire station for the East Helena Valley Volunteer Fire District and a four-acre parcel for the new Search and Rescue facility. Preliminary approval for this Subdivision was granted on April 2, 2015 subject to seven conditions, all of which have been met and the plat is in compliance with the County Subdivision Regulations.

No public comment was received.

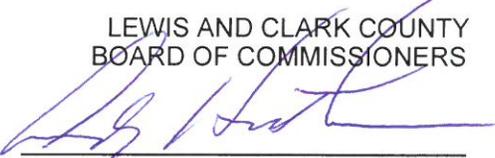
A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Good Geise and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 2-0 vote.

**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 9:34 am.

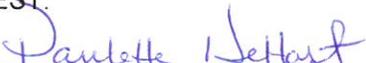
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