



PUBLIC MEETING

January 19, 2016
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, January 19, 2016, at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers Room 330.

Roll Call

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

Commissioner Susan Good Geise and Commissioner Andy Hunthausen were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Eric Bryson, Michele Peterson-Cook, George Theborge, Kevin Hamilton, Matt Heimel, Andrea Silverman, Dean Retz, Connie Cole, Tia Nelson, Richard Alberts, Alan Davis, Laura Nicolai, Jack Walsh, Al Knauber, and Nichole Nisbet, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

- a. Public Meeting Minutes: January 5, 7 and 12, 2016. (Nichole Nisbet)

Eric Bryson reported on consent action item 2a and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

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

Resolution 2016-6 Approving Funding of The Welch Conservation Easement Project. (Matt Heimel)

Matt Heimel, Special Districts Planner, presented resolution 2016-6 approving funding of the Welch Conservation Easement Project. The Commission held a public meeting on December 1, 2015 and opened a 30 day public comment period. The Citizens Advisory Committee on Open Lands unanimously voted for approval of the project. Funding in the amount of \$228,000 has been requested from open space bond funds for the Welch Conservation Easement Project. He noted that a new title report has not yet been received.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked legal if the Commission could continue with a decision today contingent on receipt of the new title report.

Michele Peterson-Cook, Deputy County Attorney, stated her recommendation would be to not approve funding at this point. She recommended to the Commission to make a decision upon receipt of a new title report.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked if the Commission could approve the funding contingent upon a new title report.

Michele Peterson-Cook stated there could be other items that have not been brought forward to the Commission in the title report and could be brought forward at a later date. She reiterated her recommendation of making a decision once a new title report is received.

PUBLIC COMMENT –

Andrea Silverman, PPLT, stated she will follow up with the title company and report to the Commission on the estimated time of arrival for the report. She noted the other funding source has fallen through and there is no closing schedule therefore, PPLT is fine with waiting for a decision until a new title report is received.

Alan Davis, Chairman of Open Lands Citizens Advisory Council, noted the support of the CAC being unanimous to proceed with the conservation easement with the condition that a new title report be submitted.

Connie Cole, member of CAC, stated her support for the conservation easement.

A motion was made by Commissioner Geise to table the item until the new title report is received and seconded by Commissioner Hunthausen. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Proposed Buildings for Lease or Rent for Mountainside Mini Storage LCC. (Applicant: Mountainside Mini Storage LLC) (Planner: Matt Heimel)

Matt Heimel, Special Districts Planner, presented the proposed building for lease or rent for Mountainside Mini Storage, LLC. The property is shown and described as Lot 1A of the Amended Plat of Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4 of Brownlee Minor Subdivision. The request is from Mountainside Mini Storage, LLC to develop an existing tract of land with a total area of 2.17 acres with three existing storage buildings and four proposed additional storage buildings. One comment was received from the Lewis and Clark County Environmental Health Department stating that this project will be subject to a re-review by DEQ and also noted they will need a new stormwater drainage plan.

Dean Retz, representative of the applicant, stated that the DEQ approval is pending and should be completed soon. He does not feel there will be any impact to the fourth lot.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Hunthausen asked about for clarification on the possible motions found on page 7 of the staff report.

George Thebarg stated the intent was to have three options provided to the Commission. The three options are to approve the application without conditions, to approve the application with conditions or to deny the application.

A motion was made by Commissioner Hunthausen to table the item until the regularly scheduled meeting on Thursday, January 21, 2016 and seconded by Commissioner Geise. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

Board Appointment. (Eric Bryson)

Eric Bryson presented the board appointment and recommended the appointment of Jenny Eck to the Board of Health as the Member at Large – City to fill the vacancy on the term that expires on 6/30/18.

No public comment was received.

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

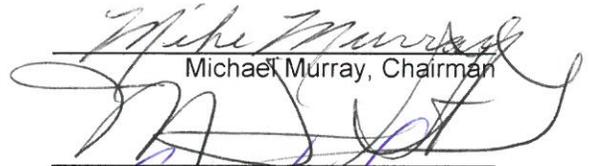
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

Richard Alberts, PO Box 6684 of Helena, MT, reported to the Commission that York will celebrate their 150 year anniversary this year and noted that additional information will follow. He also noted a concern that comes from the Heritage Preservation Council on the preservation of historic records. He feels there is no process for archiving of records.

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:32 am.

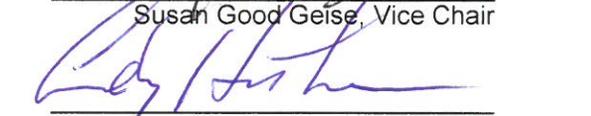
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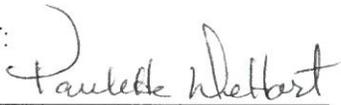
Michael Murray, Chairman



Susan Good Geise, Vice Chair



Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:


Paulette DeHart, Clerk of the Board