



PUBLIC MEETING

October 30, 2025
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, October 30, 2025 at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Rm 330.

Roll Call

Chair Candace Payne, Commissioner Andy Hunthausen and Commissioner Tom Rolfe were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, TJ Murphy, Dan Karlin, Jenny Chambers, Christal Ness, Betsy Kirkeby, Brian Coplin, Josh Hooper, Keith Cummins, Jeff Norman, Steve Martin, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Proclamation Supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans.

[2:09] Commissioner Rolfe read the proclamation supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans.

Consent Action Items

- a. Resolution 2025-113 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Larymie Rada)
- b. Resolution 2025-114 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Audra Zacherl)
- c. Resolution 2025-115 Declaring County Property Surplus Property. (Audra Zacherl)

[7:00] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action items 3a-c and recommended approval.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

[8:39] Jeff Norman, resident, wants to know what declaring property surplus property means and how does it benefit?

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

Action Items

Professional Services Contract Amendment No.1 Between Lewis and Clark County and Sanbell, formerly Sanderson Stewart. (Dan Karlin)

[18:52] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a contract amendment with Sanbell to extend the contract period to December 31, 2025 to complete the roundabout design for Custer and Henderson at the Fairgrounds entrance. Staff recommends approval of the amendment.

No public comment was received.

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

Abandon the Alley in Block 2 of the Hotel Addition. (Continued from October 16, 2025) (Christal Ness)

[24:40] Christal Ness, Development Services Supervisor, presented an abandonment of alley in Block 2 of the Hotel Addition, previously declared a County Road. One additional comment was received. Public comment from October 16, 2025 will be carried over to today's decision. If the abandonment is approved, conditions must be met within three years. Surveys and deeds must be signed to confirm the abandonment of the alley. At that point, a resolution will be drafted to abandon the alley and will come before the Commission. Staff recommends approval of the abandonment.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

[31:37] Josh Cooper, 3409 Minnesota Avenue, when the survey is done, he would like to see the survey, but will not help fund the survey.

[33:41] Keith Cummins, resident, agrees that he would like to see the survey before he decided to sign the survey and deeds, but also does not want to fund the survey.

[35:21] Richard Dean Robbins, 1308 Spring Street, petitioner, states he did not start the petition out of spite, he thinks it's a good idea to abandon the alley. He has agreed to pay for the survey. He is attempting to save the trees and feels the abandonment will benefit everyone else more than him. He is not concerned whether it is abandoned or not.

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

Abandon the Alley in Block 16 of Seymer Park. (Continued from October 16, 2025) (Christal Ness)

[46:27] Christal Ness, Development Services Supervisor, presented an abandonment of alley in Block 16 of Seymer Park, previously declared a County Road. Public comment from October 16, 2025 will be carried over to today's decision. If the abandonment is approved, conditions must be met within three years. Surveys and deeds must be signed to confirm the abandonment of the alley. At that point, a resolution will be drafted to abandon the alley and will come before the Commission. Staff recommends approval of the abandonment.

No public comment was received.

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

Declare Morello Road and Applebee Court as County Roads. (Continued from October 16, 2025) (Christal Ness)

[51:44] Christal Ness, Development Services Supervisor, presented declaring Morello Road and Applebee Court as County Roads and give authority to set speed limits. Staff recommends approval. Dan Karlin, County Engineer, scored a 15 on the road priority scale, which is the lowest priority. Public comment from October 16, 2025 will be carried over to today's decision.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

[59:06] Steve Martin, Canyon Ferry Road resident, doesn't want the road maintained, he just wants law enforcement to do more.

[59:57] Jeff Norman, 3480 Morello Road, is not concerned about maintenance, his concern is public safety. Speeding is an issue.


A motion to Approve was made by Commissioner Hunthausen and seconded by Commissioner Rolfe. The motion Failed on a 0- 3 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 10:21 am.


LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS


Candace Payne, Chair


Tom Rolfe, Vice Chair


Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:


Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board