

# **PUBLIC MEETING**

July 17, 2025

#### **MINUTES**

The Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, July 17, 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, Keegan Shea, Marni Bentley, Christian Lehnert, Dan Karlin, Kevin Horne, Brian Coplin, and Brandi Spangler, Recording Secretary.

# Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

#### **Consent Action Items**

- a. Vendor Claims Report for Week Ending July 18, 2025. (Marni Bentley)
- b. Memorandum of Understanding Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Stockgrowers Association. (Misty Edwards)
- c. Memorandum of Understanding Between Lewis and Clark County and Montana Wool Growers Association. (Misty Edwards)
- [1:48] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, reported on consent action items 2a-c and recommended approval.

No public comment was received.

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

#### **Action Items**

## Grant Application to the Bureau of Land Management. (Christian Lehnert)

[3:47] Christian Lehnert, Mosquito and Noxious Weed District Supervisor, presented a grant application in the amount of \$50,000 to the Bureau of Land Management to support reduction and

management of noxious weeds. The period of performance is September 1, 2025 through August 30, 2030. Staff recommends approval of the application.

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.

# Grant Application to the Montana Department of Transportation. (Dan Karlin)

[10:33] Dan Karlin, County Engineer, presented a grant application in the amount of \$793,700 to the Montana Department of Transportation for SB 536 discretionary funds to fulfill the local match requirement for the Montana Coal Endowment Program Augusta Clemons Bridge Replacement Project grant. Staff recommends approval of the grant application and to sign a letter of request to accompany the application.

No public comment will be received.

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

# Contract Between Lewis and Clark County and W.E. Dust Control. (Kevin Horne)

[18:13] Kevin Horne, Public Works Operations Manager, presented a contract with W.E. Dust Control in an amount not to exceed \$75,000 for magnesium chloride application on Nelson Road and Upper Beaver Creek Road to be completed by the end of October 2025. Staff recommends approval of the contract.

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.

## Board Appointment. (Roger Baltz)

[22:29] Roger Baltz, Chief Administrative Officer, presented a board appointment to the City-County Parks Board joint position as the School District representative and recommended the Commissioners consider the applicant to a term that does not expire.

No public comment was received.

Commissioner Rolfe made a motion to appoint Mike Higgins to the joint position as the School District representative to a term that does not expire. Commissioner Hunthausen seconded the motion. The motion Passed on a 3-0 vote.

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

#### Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:26 am.

LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Candace Payne, Chair

Tom Rolfé, Vice Chạif

Andy Hunthausen, Member

ATTEST:

Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board