



PUBLIC MEETING

February 5, 2026
MINUTES

The Lewis and Clark Board of County Commissioners Public Meeting was held on Thursday, February 5, 2026 at 9:00 AM in Commission Chambers, Rm 330.

Roll Call

Chair Tom Rolfe, Commissioner Andy Hunthausen and Commissioner Candace Payne were present. Others attending all or a portion of the meeting included Roger Baltz, Nicho Hash, TJ Murphy, Audra Zacherl, Ann McCauley, Kevin Downs, Brian Coplin, Mark Piskolich, Brent Colbert, Jillian Danesi, Amy Reeves, Frank Cornwell, Heather Irby, and Brandi Grande, Recording Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance

Everyone recited the pledge.

Consent Action Items

There were no consent action items.

Action Items

Elected Officials Update.

[1:58] Kevin Downs, County Attorney, gave a County Attorney update that included staffing, civil and criminal duties, and working relationships that are essential to the County Attorney's office.

[8:55] Mark Piskolich, Justice of the Peace, gave a Justice of the Peace update including stats of filings, staffing, and commitment to jail diversion.

[14:47] Brent Colbert, Undersheriff, gave a Sheriff's Office update that included budget cycle, staffing, and working relationships that are essential to the Sheriff's Office.

[23:32] Amy Reeves, Treasurer, Clerk/Recorder, gave an update for all departments in her division.

Accounting update included financial software conversion.

Motor Vehicle update included CARS software speeding up processes and operations are running more smoothly; the County website now allows renewals online.

Records Department update included digitization and indexing of historical records.

Property Tax Department working on delinquent tax notices, billing, and recalculating taxes. Elections update included primary and general election for mid-terms; school election in May, along with fire and sewer special districts elections; and a levy; and upcoming election judge training.

Resolution 2026-10 to Adopt an Alternative Project Delivery Contract Method Pursuant to Section 18-2-502, MCA. (Audra Zacherl)

[38:04] Audra Zacherl, Public Works Assistant Director, presented a resolution to adopt an alternative project delivery contract method to Design -Build rather than the Design -Bid-Build process to reduce duration of construction of elevators in the Courthouse and to minimize disruption to a public facility. Staff recommend approval of the resolution.

No public comment was received.

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

Memorandum of Agreement Between Lewis and Clark County and Many Rivers Whole Health. (Ann McCauley)

[43:11] Ann McCauley, Grants and Procurement Director, presented a Memorandum of Agreement with Many Rivers Whole Health in the amount of \$200,000 to address opioid remediation through their provision of crisis intervention services through the opioid abatement settlement funds. The term is upon execution through March 31, 2027. Staff recommend approval of the Memorandum of Agreement.

[45:22] Heather Irby, Many Rivers Whole Health Director gave an update of the Journey home and services offered.

No public comment was received.

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

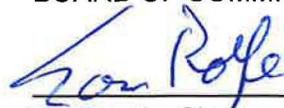
Public comment on any public matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission that is not on the agenda above.

Adjourn

There being no further comment, the meeting adjourned at 9:55 am.

Meeting minutes approved on 2/24/20

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Tom Rolfe, Chair

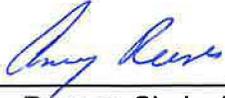


Andy Hunthausen, Vice Chair



Candace Payne, Member

ATTEST:



Amy Reeves, Clerk of the Board