

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ADMINISTRATIVE PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES

MISSOULA COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 199 WEST PINE STREET, ADMIN ROOM 206

April 21, 2022

ATTENDANCE

Present: Juanita Vero, Josh Slotnick, Anne Hughes, Andrew Czorny, Jason Emery, Anna Conley, Mel Fisher, Allison Franz, Erica Grinde, Shane Stack, Brian West

Other attendees: Violet Plummer, Kyla Lehnerz, Flanna Ewinger, Erin Kautz, Kali Becher, Kayla Talbert, Kelly McGuire, Emmie Bristow, Kim Bauer, MCAT, Leidy Wagener, Martin Kidston, Bret Serbin, Craig Caprara

I. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None

II. CONSENT AGENDA

Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Consent agenda items approved as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0
Additional Info:
Contract/Project Begin Date:
Contract/Project End Date:

1. Request board authorize the Chief Financial Officer to update the ARPA budget intent resolution and subsequent reporting to reflect that the funding for the Poverello Center Veteran's Housing program funds may be used for purchase, construction and other needs related to the program and may come from the County's general revenue allocation.

Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

2. Request board approve and sign contract with the Montana State University Extension Local Government Center for strategic planning services with Missoula County.

Contract filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1001. Electronically sent to Melissa Fisher, Commissioners' Office.

3. Request board approve and sign contract with Energy West for Courthouse natural gas.

Electronically sent to Jason Hauser, Facilities Management.

4. Request board approve and sign contract with Energy West for Detention Center natural gas.

Electronically sent to Jason Hauser, Facilities Management.

5. Request board approve standard employment agreement between Atarah Sidey, MD, and Partnership Health Center-Missoula County with a pay rate of \$105.47 per hour, budgeted at 40 hours per week.

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1012. Electronically sent to Karen Harrison, Human Resources.

6. Request board approve chair to sign supplemental Task Order 22-25-8-41-179-0 between the Montana Department of Public Health And Human Services (DPHHS) and the Missoula City-County Health Department (MCCHD) to use ARPA funds to supplement the Healthy Montana

Families Task Order. Compensation is \$2,850.

Electronically sent to Julie Mohr, Missoula City-County Health Department.

7. Request board approve standard employment agreement between James Quirk Jr., MD, FAAFP, and Partnership Health Center-Missoula County with a pay rate of \$131.81 per hour, budgeted at 40 hours per week.

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1013. Electronically sent to Karen Harrison, Human Resources.

8. Request board approve standard employment agreement between Richard J. Dealy, ARNP, and Partnership Health Center-Missoula County with a pay rate of \$57.52 per hour, budgeted at 40 hours per week.

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1014. Electronically sent to Karen Harrison, Human Resources.

9. Request board approve contract with Journeys Consulting LLC to provide Missoula County employees with education about compassion fatigue, workplace burnout and how the pandemic impacts these. Principal contact Lynette Rodi of Journeys Consulting will offer ongoing support to facilitate application and generalization of the skills modules for the prevention and treatment of compassion fatigue and burnout.

Contract filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1015. Electronically sent to Melissa Fisher, Commissioners' Office.

10. Request board authorize chair to sign Continuum of Care (CoC) Grant Closeout Agreement for the YWCA Missoula Rapid Rehousing grant ending 8/31/2021.

Closeout agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1017. Electronically sent to Kayla Talbert, Community and Planning Services.

11. Request board authorize chair to sign award documents for Montana Board of Crime Control grant, 21-CV01-92774, to provide \$50,000 in coronavirus emergency supplemental funding for the Missoula County Detention Facility

Award documents filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1039. Electronically sent to Erin Kautz, Community and Planning Services.

12. Request the board approve and sign the professional services agreement with CMS LLC to perform salary survey and compensation work for Missoula County for up to five years.

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1019. Electronically sent to Chris Lounsbury, Commissioners' Office.

13. Request board approve lease agreement for Rural Program Specialist's office space in Superior, MT. The lease for \$12,600 (\$350/month) runs through Sept. 30, 2024, and is paid with grant funds.

Electronically sent to Kelly McGuire, Community and Planning Services.

14. Request board approve request for payment form for Big Sky Trust Fund grant awarded to assist Silixa LLC. (1 job created, \$5,000 requested)

Electronically sent to Leidy Wagener, Missoula Economic Partnership.

15. Request board approve chair to sign the Addendum to the 11/01/21 Commercial Lease Agreement between Cappy 123 LLC and Missoula City-County Health Department (MCCHD) to extend the lease for 3665 W. Broadway for 30 days to 06/20/22 at a cost of \$13,421.

Electronically sent to Julie Mohr, Missoula City-County Health Department.

III. ACTION ITEMS

1. Request board authorize chair to sign HDR Inc. Task Order No. 7 for a water and wastewater utility financial analysis for Lolo RSID #8901, for an amount not to exceed \$30,000. Missoula County has a standing five-year professional services agreement with HDR for engineering services for county-operated water and sewer districts; individual projects are completed by task order.

Presenter: Shane Stack
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date: 4/21/2022

Contract/Project End Date: 12/31/2022

Task order filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1064. Electronically sent to Erik Dickson, Public Works.

2. Request board approve chair to sign collection agreement with Trout Unlimited for Ninemile Creek mine reclamation planning grant.

Presenter: Kali Becher
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date: 4/19/2022

Contract/Project End Date: 12/31/2022

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1070. Electronically sent to Kali Becher, Community and Planning Services.

3. Request board approve Professional Services Agreement with Manscaping Lawncare LLC in an amount not to exceed \$10,500 for seasonal park maintenance for Lolo RSID #8901.

Presenter: Shane Stack
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0

Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date: 5/1/2022

Contract/Project End Date: 9/30/2022

Agreement filed with Clerk and Recorder/Treasurer's Office: Book 1074 Page 1071. Electronically sent to Brent O'Connor, Public Works.

4. Request board approve Missoula County Fairgrounds Short-term Facility Rental Policy.

Presenter: Flanna Ewinger
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero

Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0
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Contract/Project End Date:

Electronically sent to Flanna Ewinger, Fairgrounds Management.

5. Request board approve and sign subrecipient agreements for the Rural Domestic Violence grant from the U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women with Montana Legal Services Association, Mineral County Attorney's Office, Ries Law Group, and Angela Harris, LCSW PLLC. DATE RANGE: 10/1/21 - 9/30/24 TOTAL OF AGREEMENTS: \$377,575.58.

Presenter: Kelly McGuire
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0
Additional Info:

Contract/Project Begin Date: 10/1/2021
Contract/Project End Date: 9/30/2024

Electronically sent to Kelly McGuire, Community and Planning Services.

6. Request board appoint Clara Bentler as the student representative to the Elections Advisory Committee to fill the remainder of a vacant term through Jan. 31, 2025

Presenter: Kyla Lehnerz
Moved: Josh Slotnick
Second: Juanita Vero
Motion: Motion passed as written
Vote: Yes 2, No 0, Abstained 0
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Contract/Project Begin Date: 4/19/2022
Contract/Project End Date:

Electronically sent to Kyla Lehnerz, Letter 2022-120 JV and JS signed to Clara Bentler.

IV. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Letter signed April 14 congratulating CSKT on the upcoming bison range transfer
Letter 2022-121 BCC signed.

2. Request board sign letter of support for Blackfoot Communications application for ConnectMT project funds
Letter 2022-122 JV and JS signed.

V. DISCUSSION ITEMS

1. MDT and Reserve Street

Brian West, Civil Deputy County Attorney, provided the commissioners with an update and gave formal notice of a lawsuit that the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT) filed last week (DV-22-393).

Missoula County is named as a defendant in the case. There are five counts in the lawsuit: forcible detainer, trespass, public and private nuisance, request for an injunction, declaratory action. Only the last claim implicates Missoula County. MDT is trying to secure a court order which allows the sheriff's office to assist them in clearing out the property under the Reserve St Bridge. West explained that this is more or less the same thing as an eviction lawsuit. There is also a request for MDT to remove any personal effects from the area. The intent of the Missoula County Attorney's Office is to defend the claim and file appropriate pleadings. MDT has to serve notice to individuals on their property.

Commissioner Vero stated that this is not a traditional lawsuit but is a process to achieve a shared goal. West stated that the allegations are directed at the individuals camping and that the county is being brought in because MDT is trying to get a court order that the sheriff's office will need to serve. Commissioner Slotnick echoed Commissioner Vero's comments and stated that this will give the sheriff's office legal protections and is process-driven.

Martin Kidston, Missoula Current, clarified that in the past, the commission was clear in stating that they couldn't take this action without first offering alternative places to reside. West answered that that has been a component. Some of the decisions handed down by the 9th circuit have prevented law enforcement agencies and communities from criminalizing individuals who are camping on public property- the provision of alternative camping sites is a key component in what MDT is trying to do with their property.

VI. UPCOMING EVENTS AND INVITATIONS

None

VII. SIGNING OF ITEMS APPROVED AT PUBLIC MEETING

None

VIII. OTHER COMMENTS/INSTRUCTIONS

None