LEWIS COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (BOCC)

Business Meeting minutes

November 28, 2023

Present: Commissioner Swope, Commissioner Brummer, Commissioner Pollock

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Commissioner Swope called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m., determined a quorum and then proceeded with the flag salute.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Tim Potter expressed concern with property tax values.

CONSENT ITEMS

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve minutes from the November 21, 2023, Business Meeting as well as Resolution 23-371. Commissioner Brummer seconded.

Resolution 23-371: Approval of warrants/claims against the various county departments.

Chief accountant Grace Jimenez, representing the Auditor's Office, said warrants 796,123 through 796,126 and Automatic Deposits numbered 61,735 through 62,322, dated November 22, 2023, were approved for payments against the county totaling \$1,259,967.09. Grace said warrants 877,532 through 877,603 and 877,605 through 877,823 as well as direct disbursements 12281 through 12282, 12309 and 12325 through 12329 also were approved for payments totaling \$3,538,821.67. Grace noted a skip in sequence for warrants 877,495 through 877,531 and 877,604, which were issued on behalf of Special Purpose Districts.

Motion passed 3-0.

DELIBERATION ITEMS

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolution 23-372. Commissioner Pollock seconded.

Resolution 23-372: Adopt a Categorized Schedule of Fees effective January 1, 2024.

Community Development Director Lee Napier discussed the resolution. Lee outlined changes to the Schedule of Fees.

John Abplanalp and Meja Handlen discussed proposed corrections to the fees listed in Category C. Lee noted that the changes would decrease the amount by which some of the fees in Category C would increase.

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolution 23-372 with the corrections as presented. Commissioner Pollock seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Brummer made a motion to approve Resolutions 23-373 and 23-374. Commissioner Pollock seconded.

Resolution 23-373: The proposed acquisition of additional right of way for Shorey Road Bank Stabilization M.P. 0.598.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes discussed the resolution. Shawn said the resolution provides authority to acquire right of way from one property owner.

Resolution 23-374: Amend Resolution 08-201 to Establish the Rate of Pay for the Property & Evidence Manager formerly known as the Director of Property Management.

Undersheriff Wes Rethwill discussed the resolution. Undersheriff Wes Rethwill said the resolution establishes the rate of pay for the position and changes the title to Director of Property Management.

Motion passed 3-0.

HEARINGS

Resolution 23-375: Approve a non-exclusive franchise renewal to Bavarian Retreat Homeowners Association for the installation, construction, operation, and maintenance of water facilities within specific rights-of-way of unincorporated Lewis County.

Commissioner Swope introduced the hearing.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes gave the staff report.

Shawn said the 10-year, non-exclusive franchise covers rights away along Big Creek Road, Mountain View Drive and Hofer Drive.

Commissioner Swope asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Commissioner Swope then closed the question-and-answer portion of the hearing.

Shawn asked that his previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Swope asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution. No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Swope closed the hearing.

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 23-375. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 23-376: Approve a non-exclusive franchise renewal to Lakeview Terrace Water Association for the installation, construction, operation, and maintenance of water facilities within specific rights-of-way of unincorporated Lewis County.

Commissioner Swope introduced the hearing.

Real Estate Services Manager Shawn Kyes gave the staff report.

Shawn said the 10-year, non-exclusive franchise covers areas along Baker, John and Mary streets.

Commissioner Swope asked if there were any questions. There were none.

Commissioner Swope then closed the question-and-answer portion of the hearing.

Shawn asked that his previous comments be adopted into the record.

Commissioner Swope asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution. No one chose to speak.

Commissioner Swope closed the hearing.

Commissioner Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution 23-376. Commissioner Brummer seconded. Motion passed 3-0.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PRESS CONFERENCE

No questions.

ADJOURNMENT

The BOCC Business Meeting adjourned at 10:28 a.m., with the next Business Meeting scheduled for 10 a.m. Tuesday, December 5, 2023, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room (Room 223).

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