

GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MAY 11, 2015 AT 10:00 A.M.

Present: Commissioner Dell LeFevre, Commissioner Leland Pollock, Commissioner David Tebbs and Clerk Camille Moore.

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order.

Commissioner David Tebbs made a MOTION to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Dell LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Commissioner David Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2015. Seconded by Commissioner Dell LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

BOARD REPORTS

Commissioner Tebbs reported on his meeting with the Aging Board, the Senior Citizen Program, and the upcoming Emergency Response exercise. He also reported on the site visit to the Henrieville loop road and the bridge in that area.

Commissioner LeFevre reported on the Wide Hollow Irrigation meeting. He also reported on the Utah Association of Counties Legislative Conference.

Commissioner Pollock reported on Public Land Issues.

TRAVEL COUNCIL BUSINESS

Falyn Owens, Director, asked for support in reorganizing the Travel Council Board. Falyn will talk to the current board members about possible replacement. Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to appoint Sam Marshall, Panguitch to the Travel Council Board. Mayor Eric Houston and City Manager Lori Talbot will combine for one position in the future. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Falyn discussed a proposal to combine with Sanpete, Sevier, Piute and Garfield Counties to do cooperative marketing of ATV trails. The request is \$30,000.00. After discussion, the Commission directed Falyn to propose a smaller funding amount.

Falyn proposed providing a match for Tourism Conference registration fee for private businesses in the County. After discussion, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve up to ten registration fee matches (50%) and to pay the registration for Travel Council Board Members and Gail Hill, Monument Tourism Liason. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

PUBLIC WORKS BUSINESS

Sage Grouse Environmental Impact Statement: Brian Bremner, County Engineer, informed the Commission that he is preparing a quality challenge on the Sage Grouse Environmental Impact Statement.

Watershed Reparation Areas: Brian led a discussion regarding proposed NEPA project areas in the County. The Commission asked Brian to do further investigation on the areas within the monument and prepare a prioritized list.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING - Blake Sartini Property Zone Change:

Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to go to Public Hearing for the proposed Zone Change. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Justin Fischer, Planner, gave the Commission an overview of the proposed zone change from Commercial to Forest Recreation. The property is the old Rustic Lodge. The Planning Commission recommends approving the zone change.

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the change in zone from Commercial to Forest Recreation. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Bike Path Maintenance Agreement: After discussion, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to give Commissioner Pollock authorization to sign a maintenance agreement with the Utah Department of Transportation for the bike path through Red Canyon and on to Bryce Canyon. The Forest Service will assist on Forest Service lands and Bryce Canyon City will maintain the path within their city limits. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

SITLA Land Sale: Utah State and Institutional Trust Lands is advertising property adjacent to our gravel pit. They have provided documentation of right-of-way of County roads across the property being sold. After discussion, Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to give Commissioner Pollock authorization to sign the right of way documents. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

WEED DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Wally Dodds, Weed Supervisor, discussed weed spraying personnel for the County. The Escalante area employee is not returning this season. Wally recommends using the current

employees, Kay Englestead and Lynn Allen to cover the whole County. After discussion, the Commission approved the proposal. The proposal would allow for the sale of the truck that was used in Bryce Valley.

Wally informed the Commission that the Upper Sevier Soil Conservation District is being moved to the Utah Department of Agriculture. He is proposing that he continue to manage the Weed Department as a contract employee. The current match is \$6,200.00 and the cost would remain the same. After discussion, Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to approve making Wally Dodds a contract employee to supervise the County Weed Department. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

FAIRGROUNDS/TRIPLE C BUSINESS

Panguitch City Manager Lori Talbot, Lloyd Brinkerhoff and Rick Miller, Panguitch City Council and Gaylen Moore, Triple “C” were present.

Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to go to Executive Session to discuss personnel issues and potential litigation. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: LeFevre - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING CLOSED MEETING

STATE OF UTAH)
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COUNTY OF GARFIELD)

The undersigned, as presiding officer of the Board of County Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, after being duly sworn, hereby states, swears and affirms as follows:

1. That on the 11th day of May, during a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, the board, upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds or more of the member present at the meeting for which notice was given pursuant to Section 52-4-6, voted to close the meeting to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual under Subsection 52-4-5 (1)(a)(I), Utah Code Annotated and potential litigation.

2. That a quorum was present.

3. That I do hereby affirm that the sole purpose for closing the meeting was to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and potential litigation.

DATED this 11th day of May, 2015.

Commission Chair

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this day of , 2015.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Commissioner LeFevre made a MOTION to return to General Session. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: LeFevre - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to hire a company to assess the water damage at the Triple C Arena. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to hold a Public Hearing to take public comment regarding the grandstands at the fairgrounds. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

ESCALANTE CITY LAW ENFORCEMENT AND JUSTICE COURT

Sheriff Danny Perkins, Mayor Jerry Taylor and Clerk Stephanie Steed, Escalante City were present.

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Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve entering a contract with Escalante City to provide law enforcement. The County will hire an additional deputy to be based in Escalante. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Mayor Taylor will take the decision to the Escalante Town Council for their approval. He stated that they are also in the process of dissolving their justice court and if approved it will be absorbed in the County Justice Court.

RIFLE RANGE TARGET REPLACEMENT FUNDING REQUEST

Jack Soper has requested \$250.00 in funding to help replace the targets at the County Rifle Range south of Panguitch. After discussion, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the requested funding. Seconded by Commissioner LeFevre. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The accounts payable list was reviewed, approved and signed by the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 pm.

Commission Chair

Clerk/Auditor