

**GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
MARCH 27, 2017 AT 10:00 A.M.**

Present: Commissioner Leland Pollock, Commissioner David Tebbs, Commissioner Jerry Taylor, Deputy Clerk Tiffnie Wood, Attorney Barry Huntington.

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order.

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

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the March 13, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Jerry Taylor. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

BOARD REPORTS

Donna Chynoweth, Aging Director, gave the Commission a copy of the new Escalante Senior Center plans. Commissioner Pollock discussed the grant options available. Demolition plans for the old Care and Share facility were discussed.

Commissioner Tebbs reported on a Fire Chief's meeting and dinner. He reported on the GDP report that Justin Fischer, County Planner and he have been working on.

Commissioner Taylor reported on a meeting with Kevin Stratton this week regarding Hole in The Rock State Park.

Commissioner Pollock reported on the Joint Jail Committee issues, inmate counts are down right now. Commissioner Pollock and Brian Bremner reported on meeting with Tom Tidwell, National Director of the Forest Service, regarding easements of roads and grazing issues.

PUBLIC WORKS BUSINESS

Personnel: After discussion, the Commission gave Brian Bremner, County Engineer authorization to hire a temporary employee to help with the sanitation department.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Rocky Mountain Power Agreement: After review of the agreement, Commissioner Taylor made MOTION to approve the Rocky Mountain Power Franchise Agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting unanimous.

Ticaboo Utility Improvement District Business: Justin Fischer, County Planner, reported that the State and Institutional Trust Lands, (SITLA), has received a proposal to have a third party provide power inside TUID's certificated area. This is very concerning given the County's investment in TUID. Tom Hill, chairman of TUID was contacted by phone, he voiced his concerns. Commissioner Pollock stated he would meet with David Ure, SITLA director regarding the proposal.

AIRPORT BUSINESS

Property Lease: Scott Walters was present to discuss the lease agreement at the airport. Mr. Walters would like to get a commitment on the office lease and come to an agreement on the amount of the property lease. Preparation of the ground with double chip seal was also discussed, with an estimated cost of \$6000.00 to \$10,000.00 to prepare. Walters agreed to handle all of the maintenance on the space he is leasing. Some improvements will be made to the office space and will be left when the lease is over. Attorney Barry Huntington will send drafts of the agreement to Mr. Walters to review.

LETTER OF SUPPORT Brian Bremner was instructed to draft a letter to support San Juan County regarding Bears Ears National Monument for San Juan County.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

The meeting was adjourned at 12:10 noon.

Commission Chair

Clerk/Auditor