

Beaver County Commission Work Meeting
Beaver, UT 84713
March 31, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met on March 31, 2023, 4:00 p.m. for its Special Emergency Meeting. Attending were: Commissioner Wade Hollingshead, Chairman; Commissioner Tammy Pearson; Commissioner Brandon Yardley; Cody V Black, Sheriff; Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary and Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

Call to order by Commissioner Hollingshead. The commissioner spoke about the snow pack and moisture that has accrued on the Mountain which causes concern for flooding when the weather warms up.

Commissioner Pearson shared some information about a meeting that was held earlier today with the Forest Service and other county and city officials concerning the possibility of flooding. The county is actively cleaning debris out of the canal and working toward the mouth of the canyon. Commissioner Pearson urged property owners to do their part to protect their property and not rely solely on the county, but to help each other and do what they can to prepare.

Sheriff Black informed the residents who were in attendance that corrections officers and deputies are filling sandbags at the Sheriff's Office. The bags are located on the North East corner of the Sheriff's office building. He also informed people that he has no staff to help load the sandbags and urged people to bring help to load them if needed. There are also bags located next to Holly Lane by the Canyon Baseball Field in Beaver. Church groups, Scouts and other volunteers have filled sandbags at that location. There will also be sand and sandbags located at the Fairgrounds soon.

Sheriff Black also shared to not expect to see anything from the State as of yet declaring emergency for flooding at the State level. Declarations are good for 30 days and they don't want to do that too early when the flooding has not started yet. He also informed residents that they can call the Sheriff's Office dispatch if they have any questions or concerns with flooding or need help. The BSCO will do the best they can to help and if they are unable, they will find who they need to in order to help.

Commissioner Hollingshead read aloud the Proclamation of Local State of Emergency after which he asked for a motion to sign the proclamation. Commissioner Pearson made the motion and Commissioner Yardley seconded. The Motion was made unanimous.

The Commissioners fielded a few questions from the audience after which the meeting was adjourned by Commissioner Hollingshead.