

Beaver County Commission Meeting
Beaver, UT 84713
April 5, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met on April 5, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. for its regular Commission Meeting. Attending were: Commissioner Mark Whitney, Chairman; Commissioner, Tammy Pearson; Commissioner, Wade Hollingshead; Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor; Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary and Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

Prayer was offered by Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor

Review and Approve County Bills. Motion to approve County Bills was made by Comm. Hollingshead, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Previous minutes were presented by Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor. With minor adjustments and edits, motion to authorize minutes was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, the vote was unanimous.

Surplus Items. Ms. Laws discussed a meat slicer as surplus. Motion to declare the surplus item with a starting bid of \$100, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was unanimous.

Business Center Agreement. Ms. Laws discussed a new tenant at the Business Resource Center

Application for Donation Request for Boys State and Girls State. Present were Tawni Eyre, Lindie Williams, Halle Hawkins, Kasia Carter, Kenzie Carter, Haylee Marshall and Jonathan Webb. Lindie Williams spoke of the Commission the importance of government and their participation at Girls State. The group was present to request a \$100 donation to attend Girl's State, with the in-kind volunteering to be used at the Fair. Motion to authorize a \$100 donation per student, to attend Girl's & Boy's State, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Fee Schedule. Ms. McMullin discussed the need to review the fee schedule for its accurate assessment of fees charged in the County.

CIB Funding Requests. Present was Gary Zabriskie, Nate Wiberg, Alisa Gable, Five County AOG; Jason Brown, Beaver City. They were present to discuss CIB prioritization application list for projects that are in need of CIB Funding. It was stated Beaver City has 2 projects on the high priority list. Mr. Brown described the culinary water system improvement for the installation of fire hydrants and improvements on the drinking water system in the Grove Area. The Commission discussed with Mr. Christiansen and Beaver City the combined stewardship efforts to improve the Navajo Trail Bridge and water system. This funding request will be for a shed replacement for the PI water station on Beaver City property on 600 E and Center. Five County AOG commented that Minersville Town listed several projects for future improvements, this is a planning process for CIB funding. Motion to prioritize the

Culinary Water System Improvement (1) and Center Street PI Well House building (2) was made Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was unanimous.

VistaWorks Updates/Consider Signing Media Bundle Agreement. Present were Michelle Evans and Bryan Jordan, VistaWorks. They attended to present an alternative option for tourism marketing at a reduced cost vs hiring a new tourism director in Beaver County, to continue the marketing approach to capture all of the benefits of the TRT tax collection. Comm. Whitney inquired about the UOT Grant history and the longevity of the grant offset. It was stated that this grant has been around for several years and are stable. The Commission will review and consider the proposal VistaWorks for the marketing expansion.

Work through Lunch.

Consider Zoning Changes. Present was Kyle Blackner, County Building Authority. Mr. Blackner discussed possibly changing the Multi Use Zone (MU) in the Sulphurdale Commercial Area to a Central Development Zone. It was the recommendation of the Building Department to move forward with changing the zone from MU Zone to a Central Development Zone. This will be discussed in a public hearings will be held at the Planning & Zoning Board Meeting.

Commission Updates. Comm. Hollingshead reported on the Elk Meadows Special Service District meeting he recently attended. He brought before the Commission a possible Economic Development contact to contract for the Economic Development. Comm. Hollingshead reported on the ATV Jamboree and the progress on the event, as well as EMSSD activity. Comm. Whitney reported on Thermo Road turning lane progress, as well as the Martin Marietta Road improvements. Comm. Hollingshead reported on the phase IV of the bike trail. Comm. Pearson reported on the Landfill and the rate increase for fuel costs, which will be adjusted as the fuel cost fluctuate. Comm. Pearson updated the engineering progress at the Minersville Lake expansion.

Old Courthouse Museum. Present was Paula Spencer, DUP Director. Ms. Spencer was present to update the Commission on the Old Courthouse Museum. She reported on the donations received at the Museum for 2021. She discussed the clock and the maintenance and winding on the clock. Ms. Spencer reporting the pest control that is currently in progress for the treatment of insects in the Courtroom. It was discussed and decided to hold a Commission Meeting on June 21 at the Old Courthouse Museum Courtroom. Commission commended Paula Spencer on her passion of the Old Courthouse Museum.

Natural Hazard Mitigation Draft Plan. Present was Les Whitney, County Emergency Manager. Mr. Whitney was in attendance to present the Hazard Mitigation Draft Plan prepared. Mr. Whitney recommended the draft upon review from the Commission.

Interlocal Compact Agreement with Beaver City. Tabled for another date.

Consider Signing Resolution for Personnel Policy Short Term Military Leave. Present was Heidi Eyre, HR Director. This item was tabled for another meeting.

Juneteenth Holiday. Present was Heidi Eyre, HR Director. Ms. Eyre discussed the new holiday observed by the Federal Offices and State Offices with some of the services not operating on this day. It was decided to review this option and revisit it another date.

Consider Signing Large Assembly Permit for the Stetson Wright Bull Riding Invitation. Present were ShaRee & Stetson Wright, Event Coordinators. Mr. Wright was present to get approval from the Commission for a large event permit for the Stetson Wright Bull Riding Invitation. Motion to authorize the large event permit for the Stetson Wright Bull Riding Invitational was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Large Assembly Permit Application for Don't Trip Campout. Present was Shane Gadbow, Eagle Point Resort. Mr. Gadbow was present to gain approval from the Commission for a large assembly permit for the Don't Trip Campout. Mr. Christiansen commented on the past event and the amount of drug cases that came out of the event. He didn't feel like it reflected positively on Beaver County. Motion to authorize the large event permit for Don't Trip Campout was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Highway 153 Discussion. Present were Keith Meinhardt, Daryl Friant, UDOT; Jared Whitmer, USDA Forest Service; Shane Gadbow, Eagle Point Resort Owner; George Humphries, Fire Chief and David Barriett, UPH. Comm. Pearson led a discussion for the uses on Hwy 153. Mr. Whitmer commented on the additional recreation that has increased in the past couple of years. The issues the local agencies are seeing is the lack of parking on Hwy 153, which is a concern for the safety for the public as they recreate and access the area. Mr. Friant discussed the priority classification of the snow removal on Hwy 153, which allows the canyon to remain open for uses. Commissioner's discussed the planning discussion with UDOT leaders in the future. Mr. Friant discussed with the Commissioner's some options to gain additional access to Hwy 153. Mr. Whitmer suggested identifying the areas of expansion and create them all in one request. Mr. Gadbow addressed the agencies with a suggestion on plowing at night. Mr. Friant stated that there are designated areas that do not allow night plowing. Mr. Humphries, the Beaver County Fire Warden, stated the best time to plow this road is at night, when the traffic is at a minimum. It was suggested to expand the Puffer Lake pull out area to allow for more room for parking. The other parking suggested is Timid Spring, which would need to be paved to that point, as well as maintained after the improvement. Mr. Whitmer requested a bike lane to be installed for the cycling enthusiast, to go from one trail to another. A plan was developed to move forward with this expansion. UDOT will check on right of ways, Forest Service will work on environmental clearances. It was decided to develop a working group to explore permitting and funding plans for this possible project. Comm. Pearson will follow up with this group.

Minersville Lake Park Turning Lanes. Present were Keith Meinhardt, Daryl Friant, UDOT. Commission discussed the need for a turning lane at the Minersville Lake Park, to access the camping and recreating area. It was decided to develop a concept report and concept design plan and put counters on the road to track the traffic going in and coming out of the Park. The County Road Dept. can do that part.

Motion to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; discuss strategy for pending or reasonably imminent litigation, real property negotiation, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous. Roll call vote Comm. Pearson "aye", Comm. Whitney "aye", Comm. Hollingshead "aye".

Closed session declared closed by Comm. Whitney.

Old Business:

Service District By-Laws. Mr. Christiansen shared information comparing the various service districts and who is allowed to vote. Comm. Whitney tasked Mr. Christiansen to review the by-laws for clarification of the Service District's.

Meeting adjourned.