

Beaver County Commission Meeting
Beaver, UT 84713
September 6, 2023

The Board of County Commissioners met on September 6, 2023, at 9:00 a.m. for its regular Commission Meeting. Attending were: Commissioner Wade Hollingshead, Chairman; Commissioner Tammy Pearson; Commissioner Brandon Yardley; Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor; and Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

Comm. Wade Hollingshead called the meeting to order.

Stephanie Laws was excused today due to illness.

Prayer was offered by Comm. Brandon Yardley.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Comm. Tammy Pearson

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

Kimball & Roberts Audit Report. Present were Rick Roberts and Gabe Miller, Kimball & Roberts, CPA. Kimball & Roberts were present to discuss the recent independent audit performed on Beaver County. The audit ended very favorably. Motion to accept the 2022 Independent Audit was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Yardley, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Ordinance 2023-07; Amending 9-5 Agricultural District. Present was Kyle Blackner, County Building Authority. Mr. Blackner discussed the history of the implementation of the creation of the Agricultural District in Beaver County. The purpose of the ordinance is to adjust the description of the A-5 uses. The typical use of the A-5 zone is for residential use with a buffer zone. The permitted uses are listing in the amended ordinance. This item was tabled for a future meeting.

Consider Signing Solar CUP for Wiseman Farms. Present was Kyle Blackner, County Building Authority. Wiseman Farms are installing solar units at their farm for energy efficiency. Motion to accept the CUP for Wiseman Farms was made by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing RMA for Rollins Gravel. Present was Kyle Blackner, County Building Authority. Mr. Blackner discussed the RMA application by Rollins Gravel. This is a Road Maintenance Agreement for the use of a County Road and maintenance cost that could be subjected to Rollins Gravel. Motion to

authorize signature on the RMA for Rollins Gravel was made by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was unanimous.

Beautification Grant Applications Consideration. Present was Jen Wakeland, Strategic Development Director. Ms. Wakeland joined via phone to discuss the recent beautification applications received by the Economic Development Board through a Rural County Grant. After review, the list was narrowed down and the amounts were agreed upon by the board, the recommended amounts were presented to the Commission for their approval. Ms. Wakeland will reach out to the business owners and request a W-9 to allow the Clerk/Auditor's Office to make payment to the awarded recipients. Motion to accept the recommended amount for a beautification grants totaling \$110,000 was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Yardley, and the vote was made unanimous.

Inland Port Update. Present was Jen Wakeland, Strategic Development Director. Ms. Wakeland joined via phone conference to present on the Inland Port project area in Beaver County. This draft will be presented September 12, in the Juab County. Mr. Owen Spencer from Beaver City Council was present to request the review of the document prior to presenting the draft project area in Juab County on the 12th of September. Ms. Wakeland will provide a draft copy to Beaver City for their review.

Circuit Breaker Applications. Ms. McMullin brought before the Low Income Abatement applications for approval. There were three hardship applications received and needed review by the Commission for their approval. These will be reviewed in closed session. Motion to approve circuit breaker application presented was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Yardley, and the vote was made unanimous. Motion to authorize hardship abatements as follows "MJ" was denied, "JP" was fully abated award, "SA" was awarded half abatement was made by Comm. Yardley, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Elk Meadows SSD Liens. Present was LeeAnn Franklin, County Treasurer. Ms. Franklin was present to gain approval to attached assessment liens to the listed parcels provided by Elk Meadows Special Service District. Motion to authorize the lien attachment for parcel located in the Elk Meadows Special Service District was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Yardley, and the vote was made unanimous.

Commission Updates. Comm. Pearson discussed a need to draft a letter of support to the Forest Service for the Puffer Lake Lodge property. The letter will need to be drafted by a September deadline.

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. Yardley, and the vote was made unanimous. Roll call vote Comm. Pearson "aye", Comm. Yardley "aye", Comm. Hollingshead "aye".

Closed session declared closed by Comm. Hollingshead.

Meeting Adjourned.