

**SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
HIDEOUT COMMUNITY CENTER - CONFERENCE ROOM
AGENDA**

July 28, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner Lyman - Commission Chair
Commissioner Benally - Commission Vice-Chair (ABSENT)
Commissioner Adams - Commissioner
Kelly Pehrson - CAO
John David Nielson - Clerk/Auditor

Attendees: Shelby Seely, Mike Cole, Roma Young, Kendall Laws, Pat Barr, Bob Turri,
Nick Sandberg, Jean Pehrson, Greg Adams

A motion to approve the July 20th minutes was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Jean Pehrson - presented a Quit Claim Deed for signature. The property in question has back taxes owed and the property will be sold this week with. The back taxes will be paid with the sale. A motion to approve the Quit Claim deed

**Department Head Concerns -
Shelby Seely - SJC Assessor**

Shelby came to the commission with a BOE item concerning the Roring property in Bluff.

A motion to go into BOE at 10:09 was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

A clarification to a previous BOE was made regarding the Roring property in Bluff. The assessor's recommendation is to give the property the primary exemption for 2015 going forward.

A motion to leave BOE at 10:11 was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

A motion to approve the assessor's recommendation to give the primary exemption going forward on the Roring property was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Rick Eldredge - SJC Sheriff

Sheriff Eldredge came with John Young to talk about the program that the jail has in accepting Sex Offender Inmates and the therapists involved in running the program. John talked about the type of inmate that the programs allows the jail to have. The inmates in the program are more

passive and pose less of a safety risk to the officers at the jail. The therapists that the jail has to run the program are very good which allows the jail to keep the program around. The request is to give the therapists a raise to keep them around and help keep the program going.

There was also a request to lower the retirement time from 30 years to 25 years for dispatchers. It was explained how important the dispatcher is and how their roles work.

John David Nielson - SJC Clerk/Auditor

John David asked the Commission when they would like to hold the BOE. The decision to hold the BOE meetings on August 17th and 24th. The decision was also made to use a Hearing Officer, Valle Smouse for the BOE. She'll be contacted as to the best times for her. A motion to move forward with the BOE times and dates was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly Pehrson - SJC CAO

Kelly asked for permission to apply for a grant for a Pre Disaster Plan due in 2018 (disaster mitigation grant). He presented a letter needing a signature which allows him to apply for the grant. A motion to allow Commissioner Lyman to sign the letter was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly also requested defibrillators for the senior centers. The cost of 4 defibrillators is \$3880 or \$970 per defibrillator. A motion to approve the purchase was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

There was also a discussion of changing the commission meeting to 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of each month. The work meeting would be first starting at 9:00 followed immediately after by the Commission Meeting. The changes to the meeting schedule will take effect August 4th. A motion to adopt the new format for the Commission Meetings was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Greg Adams - SJC

Presented a residential building permit for Spanish Valley. A motion to approve the permit subject to Rick Meyer's signature was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning

Mentioned a Forest Service coordination meeting on August 4th and asked if that was a good time to have the meeting. There was also a discussion about the meetings at Bears Ears and the Lands Bill proposal. A decision to move forward with a Lands Bill proposal as per the citizens will be put as an action item on next commission meeting agenda.

Citizens Comments -

Michael Cole and Pat Barr came to the commission to comment on the Latigo Wind Farms project and the effects that it would have on the landowners surrounding. Mike explained the project and an agreement that the company had with the landowners and the lack of communication. A discussion about the building permits and how they came about took place. There was a request

to cancel the permit if terms have not been fulfilled. Further discussion will take place when the item and request are put on the Commission Agenda.

Commission Reports

Commissioner Adams - attended Marilyn Boynton's memorial service. has CIB next Thursday. also commented on the trip back east.

Commissioner Lyman - met with some people from the Governor's office where items were discussed regarding roads on the reservation. also talked to Mike Noel. Still plans on having a meeting with the CCCP meeting on the 27th of Aug.

A motion to go into executive session was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.