

**San Juan County Work Meeting**  
**Administration Building - Commission Room**  
**Agenda**  
**April 2, 2019**

**Present:** Kenneth Maryboy - Commission Chairman  
Willie Grayeyes - Commission Vice Chairman  
Kelly Pehrson - CAO  
John David Nielson - Clerk

**Absent:** Bruce Adams - Commissioner

**Attendees:** Jason Torgerson, Heather Young, Kendall Laws, Natalie Randall, Margie Memmott, Jerry McNeely, Nick Sandberg, Bob Turri, Heather Raisor, Wendy Black, Ted Black, Kim Henderson, Curtis Henderson, Nicole Perkins, Jean Pehrson, Retta Hall, Janet Wilcox, Doug Allen, Natalie Randall, Candice Lyman, Monte Wells, John Young, Cheryl Bowers, Larry Ellertson, Steve Boos, Alan Nauman, Alan Freestone, Kirk Benge, Anna Tom, Grandma Betty, Shanon Brooks, Paige Wray, Reagan Wytsalucy, Nathan Chamberlain, David Carpenter, Bruce Royer, Claudia Ketron, Nick Sandberg, Jeremy Redd, Pat Smith, Steve Pehrson, Elyce Pehrson, Jerry Howell, Anne Howell, Anita Gates, Shawn Redd, Tom Redd, Kelly Mike Green, Dawina Smith

**Jason Torgerson - SJC Sheriff**

Sheriff Torgerson came to the commission to discuss a maintenance service contract for the Jail Control System. He explained how the system helps the jail and talked about others pros to keeping the contract.

**Heather Young - Historical Commission**

Heather Young and Heather Raisor came to update the county commission on the county's historical commission. They talked about the history and projects of the historical commission and what they would like to do going forward.

**Kendall Laws - SJC Attorney**

Kendall came to the commission to discuss training by the attorney general's office, approved resolutions by the commission, and possible litigation.

**Natalie Randall - Economic Development & Tourism**

Natalie updated the commission on the Tourism board advisory meeting. She also talked about other meetings with the small business administration and white mesa regarding fiber optics. Natalie also gave an update on the UETN fiber project and that would benefit the community. She also gave an update on a meeting with the community school in Navajo Mountain.

### **Margie Memmott - USU Extension**

Margie came to the commission to introduce herself and thank the commission for supporting USU extension services. She explained how USU extension works with and helps the county.

### **Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison**

Jerry update the commission on his meetings with the Housing Authority, AOG, SITLA. He also talked about easements that the county is working on. Jerry also mentioned his meetings with the BLM, and the Forest Service.

### **Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning**

Nick updated the commission on oil and gas lease sales. He also talked about Lisbon Valley Mine pit expansion, the Forest Plan, and the Bears Ears Monument plan.

### **Bruce Adams - SJC Commissioner**

Kelly Pehrson read the proposed resolutions as listed below. A brief discussion occurred to correct some wording of the resolutions.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS THROUGH THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF KAYENTA MINE ON BLACK MESA IN ARIZONA**

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS THROUGH THE CONTINUED OPERATION OF THE NAVAJO GENERATING STATION**

### **Kenneth Maryboy - SJC Commissioner**

Kelly Pehrson read the proposed resolutions as listed below.

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SAN JUAN COUNTY TO FILE A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE SAN JUAN COUNTY ATTORNEY, KENDALL LAWS, RELATED TO HIS FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE LAWFUL DIRECTIVES OF THE COUNTY AS STATED IN RESOLUTIONS 2019-04 AND 2019-06 AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN OF THE SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION TO RETAIN OUTSIDE COUNSEL TO BRING THE LAWSUIT.**

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE AUDITOR TO REVIEW CONTRACTS AND INVOICES PAID TO OUTSIDE LEGAL COUNSEL AND TO REVIEW THE SAN JUAN COUNTY ATTORNEY'S SUPERVISION OF ALL OUTSIDE COUNSEL REPRESENTATION.**

**RESOLUTION TERMINATING THE REPRESENTATION OF SAN JUAN COUNTY BY THE MOUNTAIN STATES LEGAL FOUNDATION AND WILLIAM PERRY PENDLEY IN HOPI TRIBE, ET AL. V. DONALD TRUMP, ET AL., CASE NO. 1-17-CV-2590; UTAH DINE BIKEYAH, ET AL. V. DONALD TRUMP, ET AL., CASE NO. 1:17-CV-2605 (TSC); AND NATURAL RESOURCES DEFENSE COUNCIL, INC., ET AL., V. DONALD TRUMP, ET AL., CASE NO. 17-CV2606 (TSC) AND DIRECTING THAT NO FURTHER PAYMENT SHALL BE MADE FOR SERVICES RENDERED BY MOUNTAIN STATES LEGAL FOUNDATION AND WILLIAM PERRY PENDLEY AFTER THE DATE OF THIS RESOLUTION.**

**RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION TO THE STATE OF UTAH'S PETITION TO THE U.S. SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE AND THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE FOR A STATE SPECIFIC RULE GOVERNING**

**MANAGEMENT OF FOUR MILLION ACRES OF INVENTORIED ROADLESS AREAS IN UTAH'S NATIONAL FORESTS.**

**SUPPORTING S. 367, THE "AMERICA'S NATURAL TREASURES OF IMMEASURABLE QUALITY UNITE, INSPIRE, AND TOGETHER IMPROVE THE ECONOMIES OF STATES (ANTIQUITIES ACT) ACT OF 2019" (ANTIQUITIES ACT OF 2019) AND H.R. 1050, THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VERSION OF THE ANTIQUITIES ACT OF 2019.**

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A motion to table the March 19, 2019 commission minutes was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

**Citizen Comments -**

**Wendy Black - Blanding Citizen**

Wendy asked the commission questions about meetings and communications with Steve Boos.

**Kelly Mike Green - LaSal resident**

Kelly thanked the commission for allowing him to comment. He expressed his concerns on legal issues and conflicts of interest between the commission and Mr. Boos. He also asked that public meetings be published so that citizens could attend.

**Larry Ellertson - Congressman Curtis' representative**

Larry explained that Congressman Curtis would like to work with the commission and the citizens in finding common ground.

**Shanon Brooks - Monticello resident**

Shanon requested that the commission have prayer in the commission meeting. He also offered a prayer. After the prayer he questioned the commissioners on several things.

**Steve Pehrson - San Juan County resident**

Steve came to follow up on his comments from the previous meeting concerning the lack of road signs and road maintenance. He also expressed concern with the use, maintenance, and safety of the school buses on the roads maintained by NDOT.

**Cheryl Bowers - San Juan County resident**

Cheryl expressed to the commissioners that she would like to see the county tax dollars go towards roads and schools rather than legal and attorney fees. She also expressed concern on the letter that was sent by Mr Boos before the commissioners took office. Cheryl also mentioned that Blanding City has already agreed to participate in the CRA.

**Summer Wojcik - Registered Nurse**

Summer talked to the commissioners about her job as a certified sexual assault examiner and briefly talked about a safety issue involving 2 young boys. She expressed concern over a cease and desist order by the Navajo Nation preventing the San Juan County Sheriff's office from providing better support to sexual and domestic assault victims on the reservation. Summer asked the commissioners to help remove the cease and desist order so that the county can be more helpful.

**Bruce Royer - Blanding resident**

Bruce expressed to the commission his concern over the road on McCracken Mesa and asked the commissioners to focus on county issues.

**Cynthia Wilson -**

Cynthia explained that she many county voices are not at commission meetings due to the distance required to get to the commission meetings. She asked that the commission work to make it a law that meetings can be held at other locations.

**Nicole Perkins - San Juan County resident**

Nicole expressed her concern on the possible consequences throughout the county if Steve Boos is allowed to represent the county.

**A motion to recess out of commission meeting and to go into the Community Reinvestment Agency meeting was made by Commissioner Maryboy and 2nd by Commissioner Grayeyes. Voting was unanimous.**

Natalie explained that there have been public meetings regarding the Bluff Dwellings project. Kelly explained which districts are participating and which ones are not.

A motion to approve the resolutions listed below was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

**A resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Agency and San Juan County relating to tax increment within the Bluff Dwellings Community Reinvestment Project Area.**

**A resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Agency and the San Juan County Health Service District relating to tax increment within the Bluff Dwellings Community Reinvestment Project Area.**

**A resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Agency and the San Juan County Water Conservancy District relating to tax increment within the Bluff Dwellings Community Reinvestment Project Area.**

**A motion to leave Community Reinvestment Agency meeting and reconvene the San Juan County meeting was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Maryboy.**

A motion to approve the resolutions listed below was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

**A resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County and the Community Reinvestment Agency of San Juan County relating to tax increment within the Bluff Dwellings Community Reinvestment Project Area.**

**A resolution approving an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the County and the Community Reinvestment Agency of Blanding relating to tax increment within the north Entrance Community Reinvestment Project Area.**

#### **Kelly Pehrson - SJC CAO**

Kelly requested a new signature on a subdivision amendment due to a wrong address. The subdivision was previously passed by the commission.

#### **Pat Smith - SJC Library**

Pat requested that Lucille Cody be appointed to the library board. A motion to approve Lucille Cody to the board was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

#### **Commission Reports -**

**Commissioner Grayeyes** - Commissioner Grayeyes reported on his meetings with the 7 county coalition and a report to the Utah Navajo Commission.

**Commissioner Maryboy** - Commissioner Maryboy talked about the soil and conversation from the Navajo Nation. He also met with the shiprock navajo nation fair board to possibly reestablish the utah navajo fair. He will also attend the chapter planning and chapter meeting

A motion to adjourn was made by commissioner maryboy.