

San Juan County Commission Meeting
Administration Building - Commission Room
Agenda
January 7, 2020

Present: Kenneth Maryboy - Commission Chair
Willie Grayeyes - Commission Vice Chair
Bruce Adams - Commissioner
Mack McDonald - County Administrator
John David Nielson - Clerk

Attendees: Tammy Gallegos, Jerry McNeely, Amber Johnson, Angela Bola, Jake Palma, Nick Sandberg, David Carpenter, Kate Groetzinger, Amanda Podmore, Amer Tumeah, Marilyn Holly, Hank Stevens, Francis Stevens, Jenepher Stowell, Jocelyn Meyers, Sophia Cinnamon, Susan Baril

Tammy Gallegos - SJC Aging

Tammy presented a Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness grant for approximately \$3,200. She explained that the grant is used for training for Emergency Preparedness and also allows for the county to work with the State Fire Marshall. Commissioner Adams explained that there seems to be an increase in truck traffic through the county which creates greater risk to the county if there are truck wrecks. Tammy also presented an amended Aging Waiver Contract. She explained that the amendment increases the contract amount from \$114,000 to \$133,000 and explained that the aging department services individuals who would normally be placed in a nursing home. Lastly, Tammy requested that the county draft a letter of thanks to Salt Lake County Aging & Adult Services for donations such as winter clothing, bedding, and food that were made to San Juan County seniors.

BLM Project Updates

Amber came to the commission to give an update on BLM staffing changes. Amber also explained that the Bears Management Plan draft is waiting to be signed, but once it is signed several other planning processes will take place over the next 2-3 years with the county being a cooperating agency. Commissioner Adams asked several questions regarding increased services, et Commissioner Grayeyes asked if there was outreach done to the Navajo community to gather comments and concerns with the Bears Ears Planning process. Amber also informed the commission of several different projects that are being worked on. Amber also gave an update of proposed oil & gas leases and explained that all the leases have been put on hold until further studies of the area can be done.

Mack McDonald - SJC Administrator

Mack presented names to fill vacant seats on the Grand water and Sewer Service District Board. He explained that it was recommended that Preston Paxton, Brian Backus, and Jerry McNeely be appointed to fill the vacant seats.

Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison

Jerry updated the commission on meetings attended including the Grand Water & Sewer meeting, Self home meeting, and the status of Ken's Lake. Jerry also made contact with SITLA, BLM, and Forest Service.

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A motion to approve the December 17, 2019 commission meeting minutes was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Adams. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Citizen Comments:

Hank Stevens - Hank asked for continued support of the Navajo Mtn area through economic development. He also wanted to look into CDBG funding to help the senior citizens in the area.

Mack McDonald - SJC Administrator

Mack presented an Ordinance adopting the 2020 Annual Commission Meeting schedule. He stated that the 2020 meeting schedule remained the same as it currently does regarding times and locations. Mack also explained dates and times of 5 Special meetings in Navajo Mountain on January 21, 2020; Mexican Water Chapter House on March 17, 2020; Spanish Valley on May 19, 2020; Aneth Chapter House on July 21, 2020; and Mexican Hat/Halchita on September 15, 2020. A motion to approve the Ordinance was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Grayeyes. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Tammy Galleogos - SJC Aging

A motion to ratify the Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant, the Amended Aging Waiver Contract, and to draft a letter of thanks to the Salt Lake County Adult & Aging Services program was made by Commissioner Grayeyes and 2nd by Commissioner Adams. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Mack McDonald - SJC Administrator

Mack presented the names of Brian Buckus, Jerry McNeely, and Preston Paxton to fill the vacant seats of the Grand Water & Sewer Service District Board. A motion to approve the names presented to fill the seats was made by Commissioner Grayeyes

John David Nielson - SJC Clerk

John David presented several beer license renewals for approval. John David explained that there are several businesses within Bluff city limits that no longer need to apply for a county beer license. He read off the businesses requesting a renewal of their beer licenses:

- Halls Crossing Store and Halls Marina
- The LaSal Store
- 7-Eleven in Mexican Hat
- Sunrise C Store in Montezuma Creek
- San Juan Trading Post in Mexican Hat
- The Juan Inc in Mexican Hat
- Shirt tail C Store south of Blanding
- Valle's Trading Post in Mexican Hat

Commissioner Maryboy explained that the Sunrise C Store will be on the Aneth Chapter agenda because there are concerns that Sunrise C Store is too close to the schools and causing trouble within the community. He explained that he would abstain from approving the Sunrise C Store application. A motion to approve the requested Beer License applications was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Grayeyes. Voting in favor were Commissioners Grayeyes and Commissioner Adams. Commissioner Maryboy abstained from voting.

Mack McDonald - SJC Administrator

Mack presented the list of Commission Assignments for 2020. A motion to approve the assignment schedule, which remained the same as 2019, was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Grayeyes. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Commissioner Adams explained that UAC is requesting that each county recommend a representative to sit on the new UAC board. A motion was made by Commissioner Grayeyes to appoint Commissioner Adams to serve on the UAC board. Commissioner Maryboy 2nd the motion. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Maryboy - Commissioner Maryboy gave a history of the Navajo Utah Commission and explained its purpose. He explained that there is a movement within the chapters to dissolve the Commission and that Friday there will be a Refocus meeting in Mexican Water which he will attend. Commissioner Maryboy also talked about some deficiencies with the Utah Navajo Trust Fund.

Commissioner Grayeyes - Commissioner Grayeyes explained that he is waiting on a meeting with Christopher Bahe from the Navajo Nation to discuss a road from Oljato to Navajo Mountain. He also explained that he, Commissioner Maryboy, and Mack McDonald are trying to set up a meeting with NDOT to discuss roads. Commissioner Grayeyes will also attend a meeting in Kayenta tomorrow and the Refocus meeting in Mexican Water. He will also attend the 7 County Coalition meeting in Price followed by the Navajo Mountain Chapter meeting.

Commissioner Adams - Commissioner Adams reported that the Legislative Session will begin at the end of the month and that he plans on attending.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Grayeyes. Voting in favor was unanimous.

Meeting adjourned at 11:51

