

**San Juan County Commission Work Meeting
Hideout Community Center - Conference Room
Agenda
July 25, 2018**

Present: Bruce Adams - Commission Chairman
Rebecca Benally - Commission Vice Chairman
Phil Lyman - Commissioner
Kelly Pehrson - CAO
John David Nielson - Clerk

Attendees: Bob Turri, Jerry McNeely, Natalie Randall, Jon Haderlie, Kendall Laws, Rhett Sifford, Benny Mussleman, Bill Boyle

Natalie Randall - Director of Economic Development

Natalie came to the commission to talk about updates from her office. Natalie discussed different grants, signs, CRAs, and some other topics.

Kirk Bengel - Public Health

Kirk discussed with the commission the status of Public Health as a special service district or keeping public health as part of the county and how to move forward. There was a lengthy discussion on the pros and cons of becoming a special service district vs staying with the county

Jon Haderlie - Larson & Co

Jon came to the commission to discuss the 2017 audit of San Juan County. Jon mentioned that the audit has an unqualified opinion and then discussed findings from the audit.

Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison

Jerry updated the commission on his activities. He attended a meeting with Grand County Water & Sewer. Jerry also attended a meeting with low income housing. He met with SITLA and the BLM

Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning

Benny came to talk about the MOU. He reviewed and discussed the MOU with the commissioners.

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A motion to approve the minutes from June 19, 2018, with one addition, was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy Gallegos - SJC Aging

Tammy came to the commission to seek approval of the Legal Services contract in the amount of \$1420. She explained that Utah Legal Services provides legal council to folks at the Senior Centers. A motion to allow the chairman to sign the contract was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy also asked that the commissioners ratify and sign the resolution adopting the San Juan County Pre-Disaster Highway Mitigation Plan. A motion to ratify the resolution was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy also presented 3 in-home contracts for approval and signature. The contracts allow 3 agencies to provide in-home services for the Aging Program. The 3 agencies that are contracted to do this are Rocky Mountain Home Health, Comfort and Home Care, and Zions Way. A motion to ratify the contracts was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy also requested that the commissioners sign the updated EOP plan. A motion for all the commissioners to sign the updated EOP plan was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Colby Turk - SJC Task Force

Colby presented the annual Task Force Grant paperwork requiring the Commission Chairman's signature. He explained that the grant is from the state and that the form being signed today was to ensure that the Task Force stays compliant with the grant. Colby explained that the grant amount is \$61,000 this year. A motion to sign the paperwork was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd with discussion by Commissioner Lyman. There were two votes for and one vote against the renewal of the paperwork. Commissioner Lyman asked Colby about the Task Force functioned financially. Colby explained how the money from the grant is used.

Walter Bird - SJC Personnel

Walter came to the commission to ratify the hiring of Rachel Jacobsen to be a full time Senior Center Aide in Blanding and part time in LaSal. A motion to ratify the hiring was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Walter also requested that the county hire Casey Brailsford to the advanced EMT position. A motion to hire Casey Brailsford to the advanced EMT position was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly Pehrson - SJC CAO

Kelly talked about an RFP to have someone update the county's personnel policies so that it is in-line with state code. He presented a proposal from Crook and Taylor Law in the amount of \$7500. Crook and Taylor Law would update the personnel policies and keep them in compliance with state code as well as help with best practices. A motion to allow Crook and Taylor Law to review policies was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented the CIB contract for the the new Senior Center for signature. A motion to allow for the contracts to be signed was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly talked about PILT litigation He explained why the litigation is being pursued and talked a little bit about how the county could join the lawsuit. A motion to join the PILT lawsuit was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Commission Reports -

Commissioner Lyman - Commissioner Lyman attended the 7 county coalition and also a meeting with legislators. He mentioned the fiber optic line being provided to San Juan County. He mentioned that that project should be brought up again by the county commissioners to it move forward. Commissioner Lyman also talked about the RMP plan and the role of law enforcement in the plan.

Commissioner Benally - Commissioner Benally attended meetings in Washington DC. She was able to go to the Department of the Interior and talk about PILT. Commissioner Benally also went with the Weatherization Program to visit home sites to see how the homes are updated with new roofing and windows to allow the homes to be more efficient. She went to NACO, where she is on the Human Services and Education Committee and talked about several resolutions that were passed. Commissioner Benally also worked with Beaver County Commissioner Tammy Pearson to do a informational presentation during RAC. She was also able to present on Intergenerational Poverty which was well received. Commissioner Benally also met with Lance Porter from BLM talking about the Bears Ears management plan. She mentioned that the plan is being fast tracked. She noted that the policies and procedures in the management plan are being rearranged and with whom the plan will consult with. She also talked with the BLM archeologist about increased visitation to the monuments and was told that sacred sites have been overused. On Friday Commissioner Benally will attend the FIRM meeting

Commissioner Adams - Commissioner Adams went to NACO and talked about a proposed change to the public lands platform. He also mentioned the county fair that will be coming up in August.

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

Meeting adjourned at 12:27