

**San Juan County Commission Work Meeting
Hideout Community Center - Conference Room
Agenda
November 7, 2017**

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

Attendees: Bob Sherwin, Bob Turri, Dan Galway, Jerry McNeely, Nick Sandberg, Kirk Bengé, Benny Musselman, Kendall Laws

Dan Galway - Lithified Technologies

Dan came to the commission to talk about a possible solution to the work on West Summit Road. He talked about lithified soil and explained how lithified soil is used in the construction and maintenance of roads, yards, and lots. He explained what lithification technology is and why it is so beneficial. Dan also highlighted some of the benefits of using lithified soil and then discussed the costs of lithified soil.

Department Head Budgets - SJC Department Heads

Kirk Bengé came to the commission to discuss his proposed 2018 budget. He talked about expenses and revenues and summarized various revenue contracts. Kirk also talked about replacing Rick Meyer who might retire in the next year or two and how he would like to do that. Kendall Laws also came to the commission to discuss his 2018 proposed budget. He discussed the status of the Victims Advocate position.

Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison

Jerry met with SITLA and talked about the Bluff transfer station. He also went on a field trip with Brian and talked about what they did including looking at property that the polygamist community would like to buy. Jerry also met with the Forest Service and talked about the Brownelle Easement, the RMP, dispersed camping, and the LaSal Mine complex. He also talked with the BLM about ongoing projects and also met with Parks Service.

Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning

Nick talked about the Forest Service meeting that he attended with Kelly and John last week. He also mentioned a recent Forest Service memorandum and discussed the next BLM coordination meeting. Nick also made the commission aware of upcoming BLM field trips and other updates.

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Crystal Brake - SJC Personnel

Crystal came to the commission to recommend Thomas Kane a Laborer and Light equipment operator for the road department as a full-time employee. A motion to approve the hire was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly Pehrson - SJC CAO

Kelly presented the John Deere loader contract that was talked about in the Road meeting. He briefly mentioned some contract specs. A motion was made by Commissioner Benally to accept the contract. Commissioner Lyman 2nd the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly was asked to reactivate the Wilson Arch Special Service District by Phil Glaze. He mentioned that a public hearing would be need to be held before a reactivation could take place. Kelly also presented an education reimbursement for Ronnie Nieves to take classes in preparation to succeed Rick Meyer upon his retirement. The reimbursement would exceed the policy limit of \$600. A motion to approve the reimbursement was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Finally, Kelly set up a budget meeting with the commissioners to discuss the 2018 proposed budgets by departments.

Shelby Seely - SJC Assessor

Shelby brought to the commission a couple of BOE properties to be discussed.

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

Shelby presented a lot in Flat Iron Mesa and recommended that the property value be decreased after a reevaluation of the subdivision.

The 2nd parcel is a house in the City of Monticello. Shelby recommended that the value of the home should be increased to a value of \$19,500 because of its liveable condition.

The 3rd parcel is from Blanding. The property was reappraised as a two story home, but the homeowner mentioned that the home is a single story with a basement so the home was adjusted to reflect the correct structure.

The 4th parcel had a home and a trailer on the property and was not being given the primary residence discount so the recommendation was to apply the discount.

The 5th parcel contained cabins on Mustang Mesa that were unfinished on the inside. The recommendation of the Assessor's office was to decrease the value.

The last parcel was adjusted to reflect the values of comparable houses.

A motion to leave BOE was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

A motion to accept the County Assessor's recommendations was made by Commissioner Lyman and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Benally - Commissioner Benally gave a small report on the Utah Navajo Fair. She also attended a couple of workshops on domestic violence and reported that the Victim's Advocate position was brought up. She also attended the county budget meetings and met with the Dolores County Commissioners.

Commissioner Lyman - Commissioner Lyman spent some time on Bears Ears dealing with press and other groups. He also talked with Guy Denton about USU using the old Health Care building for a program. Commissioner Lyman then talked a little bit about the upcoming CRA public hearing and then attended the 7 County Coalition meeting in Price.

Commissioner Adams - Commissioner Adams will attend the Grand County Council meeting seeking approval for 100 ft right-of-way on Tangerine Lane. After that he'll attend CIB.

Meeting was adjourned at 11:23 a.m.