

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
December 23, 2013

The regular meeting of the San Juan County Commission was held at 10:00 A.M. in the Commission Room at Monticello, Utah.

Present: Bruce Adams, Chairman
 Kenneth Maryboy, Vice Chairman
 Phil Lyman, Commissioner
 Kelly Pehrson, Chief Administrative Officer
 Norman L. Johnson, County Clerk /Auditor

Attendees: Monte Wells, Rick Bailey, Rick Eldredge, Jason Torgerson, Crystal Holt, Dustin Fife, Pat Smith, Jerry McNeely, Bill Boyle, Marilyn Boynton, John Fellmeth, Charles Delorme, Linda Larson, Nick Sandberg, Bob Turri, Justin Bergeman

The minutes of December 9, 2013 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Commissioner Maryboy was absent for the vote.

Crystal Holt and Dustin Fife - SJC Personnel Office and Librarian

Crystal and Dustin presented the name of Joshua Anderson to be hired as a temporary part time librarian in Monticello at step 1. Josh will work for approximately two months while another employee is on maternity leave. Following a brief discussion Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the hire and Commissioner Adams seconded. Commissioner Maryboy was absent for the vote.

Rick Eldredge – SJC Sheriff

Sheriff Rick Eldredge and Deputy Jason Torgerson presented a proposal to lease a vehicle for the “Task Force”. There is a five year grant in place to pay for the vehicle. The new vehicle will replace the current pickup truck, which will be kept in the Sheriffs fleet as a backup. Both of the trucks are “unmarked” and used by the task force. Following a brief discussion Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve Resolution 2013-11, for the Zions Bank pickup truck lease. Commissioner Adams seconded. Commissioner Maryboy was absent for the vote.

Sheriff Eldredge and Jason Bergman presented a proposal to have him and Jason act as the management body for the shooting range west of Blanding. They will then form a “Club”, who will run the range and apply for NRA insurance. The club will make some controlling decisions about the use of the shooting range. Following further discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy to approve and authorize Sheriff Eldredge and Justin Bergeman to be the management body of the shooting range. Voting was unanimous.

Norman L. Johnson – SJC Clerk / Auditor

Norman presented Beer License renewals for Valle's Inc., Twin Rocks Café, Shirt Tail C-Store, San Juan Trading Post, Sunrise Convenience Store, Mexican Hat Lodge, La Sal Store, K& C Trading Post and the Hatch Trading Post. Following further discussion a motion to approve the renewal licenses was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

Norman presented an out of state travel request for him to attend the NACRC educational and Board meetings in Washington DC in February. A motion to approve the travel was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

At 10:38 a motion was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy to go into a public hearing concerning adjustments to the 2013 General Fund Budget. Voting was unanimous. John Fellmeth, Chief Deputy Auditor, explained the need to make adjustments to the various 2013 County Budgets. The General Fund itself does not need an adjustment as expenditures are within the set budget. However, adjustments are needed for several of the other fund budgets but do not need a public hearing. There being no public comments Commissioner Maryboy made a motion to exit the Public Hearing and Commissioner Lyman seconded the motion. Voting was unanimous at 10:41 AM.

John explained the adjustments needed are as follows: Health Fund is \$4; Emergency Medical Services (Ambulance) \$114,139; Landfill Fund \$151,044 and the Library Fund \$340,041. John discussed the reasons for the adjustments in the various funds. Following additional discussion on the budget adjustments and the inter department transfers within the General Fund Budget a motion was made by Commissioner Maryboy to approve the recommended adjustments, to the various fund budgets and authorize the Budget Officer to make adjustments within the General Fund, as needed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Resolution 2013-12

A Resolution adopting the 2014 San Juan County General Fund and related budgets: Be it resolved that the year 2014 General Fund Budget for San Juan County be set at \$11,253,375 in revenue the related expenditure or transfers and be it resolved further that the other operating fund budgets of San Juan County be set as follows: B Road Fund \$6,074,802, Health Fund \$317,483, Emergency Medical Services \$444,972, Capitol Projects Fund \$1,716,363, Road Capital Fund \$307,487, Landfill \$349,323, Tort Liability Fund \$199,000, Tax Stability Trust Fund \$40,000 and the Library Fund \$531,288. Questions concerning the effects of federal sequestration, the possible loss of PILT, changes in the County FTE employment level, the potential lower cash level at the end of 2014 and changes in services were asked and answered. Following the discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Maryboy to adopt Resolution 2013-12. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly Pehrson – SJC CAO

Kelly advised the Commission that Regence has reduced their administrative costs from \$83 to about \$49. This year our employees will pay an increase from 2 to 5% at the pharmacy but they can add additional voluntary term life insurance at a group rate. Commissioner Lyman made a motion to accept the Regence Blue Cross employee insurance proposal for 2014.

Kelly presented the Commission with a resolution from UCIP.

RESOLUTION 2013-13

RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A SIXTH AMENDED INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH OTHER MEMBERS OF UTAH COUNTIES INDEMNITY POOL, RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT, FUNDING AND OPERATION OF UTAH COUNTIES INDEMNITY POOL

Commissioner Adams briefed the Commission on the intent and purpose of the resolution. Following the discussion a motion to sign Resolution 2013-13 was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented a proposed budget from the Mexican Hat Special Service District Number 1 and said there were 7 persons in attendance at the public hearing held on December 10th in Mexican Hat. The County Commission presently acts as the District Board of Directors. The budget has a shortfall of \$15,530. Following a discussion the Commission (acting as the Board) approved the budget, including the shortfall, without a resolution as to how the shortfall would be covered. A motion to adopt the Mexican Hat Special Service District Number 1 budget, including the deficit for a period of 3 months, was made by Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

A letter from the Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency was reviewed wherein a request was made to forward the names of Dan Pyatt and Rex Tanner to the Governor, for reappointment to the District Board. After a brief discussion a motion was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy to approve the request. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented one building permit for ratification of a previous action. The permit is for Kenneth & Jane Sleight for a Residence in Pack Creek. Commissioner Lyman made a motion which was seconded by Commissioner Maryboy to approve the building permit. Voting was unanimous.

A Grant request from SJC Economic Development & Visitor Services was presented for approval in the amount of \$ 3,500 to the 16th Annual Bluff International Balloon Festival. The funds are in the 2014 budget. A motion to approve the grant was made by Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

In other business Kelly said the pre-bid meeting for the Cal Black airport had an error in the date

and was being worked out with the potential contractors. There is a lands bill meeting at the State Capitol on January 22, with limited access, but we have 3 seats available. Kelly asked the Commissioners about their intent to attend NACo in March. Commissioners Adams and Maryboy said yes but Commissioner Lyman is leaning toward not going. A letter has been received requesting the Commission support the Hovenweep National Monument “Dark Sky” designation. There were many questions about what the program required. The Commissioners request some additional information before signing on to the program.

Jerry McNeely – SJC Liaison

Jerry discussed his activities with the commission. He has met with SITLA, the Park Service and the BLM. He said the Pack Creek folks are happy with their road but there are still some basic road issues in the Spanish Valley area. No decision has been made on the Canyonlands concession permit. Jerry gave the Commission a copy of the SUWA wilderness map and discussed a new dinosaur quarry project north of church rock

Nick Sandberg – SJC Planner

Nick provided a copy of a letter to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service from the 11 County Colorado coalition and San Juan County on which he had made comments for Utah. The Commissioners approved sending the letter. Nick also said the Arch Canyon Road appeal is final and the Recapture Trail project is out for its scoping phase. Coordinating meetings were discussed for the BLM and the Forrest Service in January. The Commission suggested January 13th for the BLM and the 13th or the 27th for the Forrest Service.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Lyman – said he attended the San Juan Counseling budget hearing and there are some good things happening there. He has met with the staff at USU and is excited with the effort made by Tim Chamberlain. At present Tim’s time is 25% USU, 25% SJC and 50% controlled by the SBDC and he is working on a job description. Commissioner Lyman should be in the area most of the week.

Commissioner Maryboy – said he was in Albuquerque for oil & gas meetings last Friday. This year’s Navajo Santa project went well. He should be in the area and available most of the week.

Commissioner Adams – attended UCIP last Thursday with Kelly. It was the membership meeting and went well. The county will receive a dividend again this year. Commissioner Adams said there was a crew using the old Comb Wash Dugway, to make a film, and needed a place to house their horses. He and Commissioner Maryboy gave them permission to use the Bluff fairgrounds but had to cut off the locks, after they could not find the fair manager for permission.

Public Comments:

Monty Wells made comment about information presented in last week’s budget meeting

concerning the E-911 data base he had been working on, and presented information refuting the comments made. Commissioner Adams indicated he could get on the regular agenda to present his information in its entirety if he wished.

At 12:54 AM Commissioner Lyman made a motion to go into an Executive Session, to discuss a personnel issue. Commissioner Maryboy seconded. Voting was unanimous.

At 1:23 PM Commissioner Maryboy made a motion to come out of Executive Session and Commissioner Lyman seconded. Voting was unanimous.

Meeting Adjourned 1:24 PM