

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
March 24, 2014

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
 Phil Lyman, Commissioner
 Kelly Pehrson, Chief Administrative Officer
 Norman L. Johnson, County Clerk /Auditor

Absent: Kenneth Maryboy, Vice Chairman

Attendees: Monte Wells, Crystal Holt, Jerry McNeely, Marilyn Boynton, Jim Keyes, Nick Sandberg, Bob Turri, Tammy Gallegos, David Gallegos, Linda Larson, Natalie Freestone, Bruce Bushore, Wanda Franklin, David Bronson, Lynn Laws, Ben Huntsman, Dr. Garth Massey

The minutes of March 10, 2014 were approved on a motion by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

Wanda Franklin – SJC Roads

Wanda invited the Commissioners to a retirement breakfast for Jack Randolph, north area road superintendent, at 7:30 on April 2nd and requested the chairman sign a certificate of appreciation.

James Keyes – USU Extension Office

Jim presented a list of potential members for the San Juan County Weed Board and requested the commission chairman to sign a letter of invitation to them. After reviewing the list Commissioner Lyman made a motion to have the Chairman sign the letters. Commissioner Adams seconded. Voting was unanimous.

Crystal Holt – SJC Human Resource Office

Crystal presented two pay increase requests. William Montague of the Road Department step 92 to 114 and Dena Hunter of the Records Office step 101 to 115. Following a brief discussion on the justifications for the increases, Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the pay change requests and Commissioner Adams seconded. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly Pehrson – SJC CAO

Kelly presented a proposal to make several changes to the responsibilities, Job Descriptions, titles and pay of six members of the Emergency Management Team and the County Landfill. Changes affect the Fire Chief (David Gallegos, step 131 to 167), Risk Manager (Crystal Holt, step 63 to 105), Deputy Emergency Manager (Tammy Gallegos, step 177 to 192), Landfill Department Head (Preston Grover, step 139 to 157), Emergency Services Manager (Linda

Larson, step 184 to 194) and Emergency Services Coordinator (Natalie Freestone step 61 to 79). Following a discussion wherein Kelly was extended appreciation for his efforts to reorganize the Emergency Services of the County using existing personnel Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the recommended changes and Commissioner Adams seconded. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly had Bruce Bushore present an out of state travel request to attend training on the Entrada and E-911 system in the Denver Colorado area. Following a brief discussion a motion to approve the out of state travel was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented an insurance proposal from Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services for a three year renewal on the County airport liability insurance at \$8,129 per year. Following a brief discussion a motion to approve the proposal was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

A capital purchase request was presented for John Fellmeth by Kelly. The color printer in the open access area needs to be replaced and after a thorough investigation and evaluating the cost of toner, it is recommended the current machine be replaced with a similar model. The replacement cost is near \$2,000 but over time the toner costs will be cheaper. A motion to approve the capitol purchase was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented 4 building permits for review and approval:

- Long Canyon Ranch – Residence – Long Canyon
- Austin Lyman – Garage – Blanding
- NRW LLC – Garage – Spanish Valley
- David Delay – Residence – Spanish Valley

A motion to approve the building permits provided all signatures are in place and fees paid, along with the ratification of the Blanding Cemetery District fees being waived from the last work meeting, was made by Commissioner Lyman and seconded by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

A letter from San Juan Counseling regarding their eligibility for Medicare and Medicaid fees was presented for signature. Commissioner Lyman made a motion authorizing the chairman to sign the letter and it was seconded by Commissioner Adams. The voting was unanimous.

Jerry McNeely – SJC Liaison

Jerry reviewed and discussed his activities of the past week with the commission. He had contact with the BLM, SITLA, The Forrest Service and the Park Service. Jerry attended a water meeting with Moab City and feels a lot of progress will need to be made before there is any resolution to the water and wastewater situation in Spanish Valley.

Nick Sandberg – SJC Planner

Nick said the next BLM coordinating meeting is set for April 14th and with the Forrest Service for April 7th. He will be going to Page tomorrow to meet with the committee on handling cultural resources within the Recreation Area. Nick reported on the last Lands Council meeting and briefly talked about the positions and or comments made by several of the attendees. The attempt will be made to pull all the data and comments together for the Commission and the public town hall meetings in June.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Lyman – reported on his various meetings. He attended the CCP meeting and spoke with Marc Stilson on the Navajo Water Settlement; Don Hepline and Juan Palmer on the Recapture Trail issue; Kenneth and Mark Maryboy on Dine’ Bikeyah and their attempt to separate from Round River; had various conversations about the Navajo Trust Fund; went to the SFW Banquet where some 500 were in attendance; had a letter from Jared Barrett requesting assistance in clearing some of the Tamarisk from the San Juan Hill Road; attended the Republican Caucus on Thursday evening and will attend the SEU Health District Board meeting tomorrow and the Heritage Council Meeting later this week.

Commissioner Adams – talked with Rick Torgenson of ARAMARK about the newly hired ferry Captain who severely damaged the Ferry, on his first run, to the point that it will not be opened on time this year. Discussed the upcoming Transportation Board field trip to San Juan County in May and attended the UDOT meeting on the 18th where they discussed our deer “road kill” problem. He is encouraged with the progress made by the 7 County Eastern Utah group and the effort being made to study the transportation corridor needs of the area. This week he will attend the Envision Utah meeting in SLC and the UAC interviews for a new Executive Director.

Public Comments:

Marilyn Boynton - made a comment about the value of the San Juan Hill road and keeping it passable for automobile traffic.

Meeting Adjourned 11:31 AM