

**SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
HIDEOUT COMMUNITY CENTER - CONFERENCE ROOM
AGENDA**

July 20, 2015 at 10:00 A.M.

PRESENT: Commissioner Lyman - Commission Chairman
 Commissioner Benally - Commission Vice Chair
 Commissioner Adams - Commissioner
 Kelly Pehrson - SJC CAO
 John David Nielson - Clerk/Auditor

Attendees: Jon Haderlie, Bob Turri, Kay Shumway, Shelby Seely, Roma Young,
Crystal Holt, Tammy Gallegos, Jerry McNeely, Linda Larson, Nick Sandberg, Walter Bird, Susan
Hadenfeld

A motion to approve the June 30 minutes was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by
Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Department Head Concerns -

Shelby Seely - SJC Assessor

Presented a request for Ben Smith, from Blanding, to change his property from Commercial to
Residential moving forward.

**A Motion to go into BOE at 10:16 was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by
Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.**

A brief discussion to place as to whether the property is commercial or residential. The
recommendation of the Assessor is to make the switch back to residential.

**A motion to leave BOE at 10:19 was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by
Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.**

Commissioner Adams made a motion to accept the Assessor's recommendation and was 2nd by
Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Kendall Laws - SJC Attorney

Kendall came to discuss the job description for a new County Deputy Attorney. Commissioner
Adams gave a brief synopsis of Walter Bird's hiring and his job description at that time. Also
discussed was the setup that other counties have regarding the attorneys and their job
descriptions. After all the discussion, it was decided that Kendall could move ahead with the
advertising for a new county deputy attorney.

Crystal Holt - SJC Personnel

Crystal presented the hiring of Bonnie McPhail for the LaSal Senior Center. A motion to approve the hire was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Paul Langston was unable to continue with his job and resigned. Kedric Musselman was promoted to fill that position. A motion to approve the promotion was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy Gallegos - SJC Aging

Tammy presented her Aging Pass through Contracts for signature. These contracts show money from the State that is used for the Aging program. A motion to approve the signing of the contracts was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Linda Larson - SJC EMS

Requested out of state travel to Las Vegas for four individuals totaling \$4000. Grant money will help to pay for the trip. A motion to approve the travel was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Adams. Voting was unanimous.

Walter Bird - SJC HR Director

Walter presented a draft document, by the Planning and Zoning Commission, and came to discuss a couple of sections of the document, with the county commission, that need to be looked at and/or changed. The purpose is to become LUDMA compliant. A lengthy discussion occurred.

Jon Haderlie - Larson & Compay, PC

Jon presented the audit findings for San Juan County for the year 2014. He reviewed and gave an account of the audit. The financial statements as of year end December 2014 were in auditor's opinion in good standing and received an "unqualified" opinion, which is a good rating. The auditors also gave an opinion on the county's compliance. There was one small budgetary issue with the B-road fund which was over budget due to a small timing issue with invoices. A motion to accept the report was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

John David Nielson - SJC Clerk

John David requested out of state travel for a one day conference in Las Vegas for James. John David also requested to advertise for a new office assistant which was approved. A beer license for David Kimmerle was also presented. A motion to approve the license was made by Commissioner Adams. Commissioner Lyman passed the chair to Commissioner Benally and 2nd the motion. The motion passed with Commissioner Benally abstaining from the vote.

Kelly Pehrson - CAO

Kelly presented a letter from Kerry Deeter to be apart of the Board. A motion by Commissioner Adams

Kelly also presented an agreement between San Juan County and Latigo Wind Park, LLC who are doing the construction to maintain county roads and fix any problems caused due to transportation of materials to the work site. A motion to sign the agreement was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Benally. Voting was unanimous.

Kelly presented a predator control document. The county funds \$5000 and is reimbursed half of that cost. A motion to approve was made by Commissioner Benally and 2nd by Commissioner Adams. voting was unanimous.

Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison

Jerry presented a graph on water usage. He also talked about some road issues due to the rain - Sunny Acres Lane and Dark Canyon were mentioned. He also met with Kate Cannon, Forest Service and the BLM and talked about various issues.

Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning

Nick reported on a conference call that he attended last week. He mentioned some concerns that Wayne and Garfield Counties have about roads in the Orange Cliffs area being open to all vehicles.

Nick also mentioned the Ferry at Halls Crossing and their operating schedule. He also reported on a meeting from July 8th that he attended with Senator Hinkins and presented a map showing the lands council proposal, which was followed by a lengthy discussion.

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

Meeting adjourned at 1:13 p.m.