

San Juan County Work Meeting
Hideout Community Center - Conference Room
May 17, 2016
9:00 A.M.

Present: Phil Lyman - Commission Chairman
Bruce Adams - Commissioner
Natalie Freestone -
John David Nielson - Clerk/Auditor

Rebecca Benally - Commission Vice Chairman (absent)

Attendees: Saxon Sharpe, Bob Turri, Shelby Seely, Eric Nevin, Ty Bailey, Natalie Randall, Tim Chamberlain, John Fellmeth, Jerry McNeely, Nick Sandberg, Bill Haven, Jared Barrett, Lawrence Guymon, Robert Ogle

Saxon Sharpe - Humane Society

Saxon came to the commission to provide the commissioners with an update on the Humane Society and what they would like to accomplish in San Juan County. She also talked about and explained some of the accomplishments that they have had so far and then gave an account of how funds that they receive are spent.

Natalie Randall - City of Monticello

Natalie came to the commission to give an update on what the city is doing in the Parks and Recreation department and also to give an update on the creation of a trail system in Monticello. She commented on her efforts to work with different entities to create mountain bike trails that could bring more tourism to the county. She would like to have representation from the county that would work with other groups to create a master plan involving trail system use by motorized, non-motorized vehicles, ect.

Bill Haven - Blanding Area Travel Council

Bill and other members of the Blanding Area Travel Council came to the commission to report on the TRT funding and some of the success. Jared Barrett gave a marketing presentation on tourism in San Juan County and the possibilities of increased visitation to the county.

John Fellmeth - OHV Trail Plan

John came to the commission to request that the commission to adopt an OHV Trail Plan and trail system. He presented a map and explained why it would be beneficial to adopt an OHV Travel Plan. He also explained that it would be a supplement to the county road plan.

Jerry McNeely - SJC Liaison

Jerry updated the commission on a joint venture that SITLA wants to do with Fossil Water. He presented a small map and explained the possible venture. He also presented a document that will go before Grand County Council concerning Geyser Pass. Jerry also talked about an MOU cultural sites that an archeological group wants the county to sign off on.

Nick Sandberg - SJC Planning

Nick updated the commission on the deadline for comments on the ??????. He presented a letter to the Director of the BLM indicating those comments. He also summarized a meeting that he attended covering

the Montezuma Creek Watershed ??? The soil conservation district and someone else will do some studies to see find out how the watershed can be utilized. He also commented on upcoming meetings and also talked about the Rim Rock Trail which connects Utah and Colorado via a motorized trail. The MLP and the County Resource plan were also talked about.

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Attendees: Bob Turri, Jerry McNeely, John Felmeth, Eric Niven, Shelby Seely, Charlie DeLorme, Colby Turk, Tammy Squires, Crystal Holt, Tammy Gallegos, Kendall Laws

A motion to approve the minutes from the May 3rd Commission Meeting was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

A motion to approve the letter presented by Nick Sandberg to Neil Kornze was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

A motion to approve an OHV Travel Plan as presented by John Felmeth during the work meeting was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Charlie DeLorme - SJC Economic Development

Charlie came to the commission to request a FCC support letter for Commnet Wireless. Charlie explained a little about Commnet, what they do as a company and how they will benefit the county by providing internet service to the county. A motion to approve the commission chairman's signature was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Colby Turi - SJC Task Force

Colby presented an amended agreement between the Task Force and the county, the highway patrol and the incorporated cities. A motion to sign the agreement was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Colby also presented a court security contract for signature. The contract provides for a bailiff to provide security at the court. The funds to cover the contract come from the State of Utah. A motion to sign the contract was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Tammy Squires - San Juan Counseling

Tammy presented the 2017 San Juan Counseling Area Plan for signature. A motion to have the Commission Chair sign the plan was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Crystal Holt - SJC Personnel

Crystal came to the commission to ratify the seasonal hirings of Tyler Ketron and Reagan McDaniels as weed sprayers. A motion to sign the contracts was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Crystal also presented the hiring of one full-time position and two part-time positions within the road department. The full-time position, located in Monticello was offered to Jesse Shayne Christensen. The part-time position in Monticello was offered to Paul Barton and the 2nd part-time position located in Blanding was offered to Gene Burgess. Alternates for the positions are Ryan Norman and Austin Clarke for the the Monticello and Blanding positions.

A motion to approve the hirings was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Crystal also presented Michael Christianse as a seasonal employees for the Road Department in Blanding. There were 4 other applicants for the position in Monticello, but none held current drivers licenses leaving the Monticello position still open

John David Nielson - SJC Clerk

John David presented the annual SSBG contract for renewal. He explained the reasons for the contract and where the funds are used. A motion to approve the contract was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

John David also presented a couple of properties in the westwater area and requested that the property taxes be abated. A motion to approve the abatements was made by Commissioner Adams and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Natalie Freestone - SJC (31:00)

Natalie presented a request to upgrade the Red Mesa Senior Center and presented a bid. A motion to approve the bid was made by Commissioner Adam and 2nd by Commissioner Lyman. Voting was unanimous.

Natalie also presented a Pre-Disaster Mitigation contract. A motion was made by Commissioner Adams to approve the contract. Commissioner Lyman 2nd the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Natalie also presented the name of Connie Todachinnie as a member of the San Juan County Library Board. A motion by Commissioner Adams was made to approve the board member nomination. Commissioner Lyman 2nd the motion. Voting was unanimous.

Commission Reports:

Commissioner Adams - Commissioner Adams presented letters to Lou Mueller and James Keyes to thank them for their service to the county. Commissioner

Update on Shawn Welch

Update on Spanish Valley Water and Sewer

Commissioner Lyman - Commissioner Lyman mentioned the need to have a communications officer for the county and how to promote the county

A motion