

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Daggett County Commission/Redevelopment Agency Board, Wednesday, May 29, 2013. All members were present. Vicky McKee, County Clerk, was present as board secretary. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Chairman Steglich.

Also were: Casey Snyder and Charlie Card-Trout Unlimited, Brian Raymond, Keri Pallesen-Auditor/Recorder.

As old Business, Mrs. McKee provided an update and requested some direction on the Request for Proposal for a County Attorney. She has received a list from Jed Labrum and emailed the notice to all on the list but the list does not include all the attorney's in the Uintah Basin. The Utah State Bar website also does not have the ability to post notices. The list from the State Bar has to be pulled by practice areas and counties. The Commission directed Mrs. McKee to publish the notice in both the Vernal Express and the Salt Lake Tribune. They will also get with Grant Charles to obtain recommendations from him on the best way to proceed with noticing attorneys state wide.

Mrs. McKee also provided the Quote for Platinum Level Support services with Caselle which includes the Utility Electronic Reading Interface for the commission to initial. The contract as approved at the last meeting did not include the module for that. The Commission determined that they would initial the Quote in order to obtain the Electronic Reading module at No Cost to the county.

There was no one else present with old business.

With regards to citizen's comments, Charlie Card and Casey Snyder were present to provide information regarding the issue of changing the designation of the Green River to Scenic under the Wild & Scenic Rivers Act. Commissioner Blanchard had requested that they attend the meeting as the Commission is divided in their determination of the designation and he felt that more information was needed. Casey Snyder stated that he was at a meeting yesterday at the Governor's office, regarding Congressman Bishop's proposal and provided the following update: Congressman Bishop has looked over his new district (Eastern Utah) and determined that now something needs to be done where the counties can address questions concerning managing lands in exchange for development opportunities. The following counties and others have been asked to participate: Duchesne, Daggett, Emery, Grand, Uintah, Wayne and San Juan. He is attempting to go county by county asking them what their priorities are and requesting them to determine what lands they would be willing to give up and exchange for lands that could be revenue producing lands. These would be state sections out of counties that are not profitable or developable into the Uintah Basin where they would be in exchange for some sort of designation. Mr. Snyder stated that Trout Unlimited has been talking to the residents in Daggett County to determine if a Wild/Scenic designation is a good option for the Green River as it is already being managed as Wild/Scenic. That issue was reviewed and discussed with Mr. Snyder answering the questions as presented by the Commission. Mrs. Perry expressed her concern with the designation and the possible negative effects it could have. Mr. Snyder responded that there would be a lot more possibility of being able to manage the river in a way that would fit the county's needs rather than setting back and letting the federal agencies do as they determine is best. The river is a vital resource to the county and Trout Unlimited feels that the residents should have some say in how it is managed. This would mean that the county could provide concerns that could be addressed in statute rather than being left up to the federal government to do as they determined. Daggett County would have the flexibility to pull out until the bill is signed if something is changed in the final documents submitted. Mr. Steglich stated that Congressman Bishop's proposal is set up to satisfy both sides. Due to conflicts of opinions at this time, Daggett County has not been included in the early talks. Mr. Card stated that the Outfitters and Guides are in support of the designation with the exception of Pat Krause who is undecided. There are only five out of thirty businesses that are requesting more information on the issue. Simplot and Questar are supportive as long as their pipelines are protected. Craig Collett had stated that if there is another label added (Wild/Scenic) it will attract another type of person to the river. Mr. Steglich stated that Mark Ward, Utah Association of Counties, will be here at 10:00 A.M. for a meeting with the Commission in closed session and requested that Mr. Snyder and Mr. Card attend. Mr. Snyder stated that Trout Unlimited will not support something that the County Commission does not support.

The minutes of the May 21, 2013 meeting were provided by the County Clerk's office for review and approval. Motion by Mr. Blanchard to approve the minutes as presented. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

The Open Invoice Report was provided by the County Auditor's office for review and approval. Mrs. Perry addressed the matter of holding the payment to the Bureau of Reclamation in the amount of \$325,119.57 and Smith Hartvigsen in the amount of \$1,700.00. Mr. Steglich stated that he would contact Mr. Charles, County Attorney, and have him contact Smith Hartvigsen requesting that they withdraw their billing at this time. Mrs. Perry questioned the matter of the invoice from State of Utah-School & Institutional Trust Land in the amount of \$640.00 and Mrs. Pallesen responded that was for one of the gravel pits leased by the county. Mr. Steglich questioned the invoice for Ben Wolford in the amount of \$140.00 and Mrs. Pallesen responded that was payment for training the EMT's from an old agreement. Mr. Steglich questioned the invoice from Madden Media for \$625.00 for Promo and Mr. Raymond replied that it comes out of the TRT fund and was for Internet Advertising. Mr. Steglich questioned the invoice from Northeastern Counseling Center in the amount of \$4,071.00 and Mrs. Pallesen replied that it was taken from the General Fund and under Karen Perry's responsibility. Mrs. Perry stated that it was the same as Tri-County Health and was to help with all the mental health issues for the county residents with or without insurance. Upon review and discussion, motion by Mr. Blanchard to approve the Open Invoice Report as revised. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

Mrs. McKee provided the following items for correspondence: 1. A letter from the State of Utah, Dept. of Correction stating that Daggett County will be given 10 additional beds for the jail which could mean \$150,000.00 additional revenues per year. Mr. Steglich stated that he has been lobbying for those additional beds for two years at the Capital. This could hopefully bring the jail revenues up to cover the expenses. There is also to be an additional \$2.00 per bed/per day which is funded for this year only. Mr. Steglich stated that the revised budget shows a cut in the Commission Travel and he does not feel this is a wise thing to do. The County Commission needs to be proactive and have a vision. Mrs. Perry stated that if they cannot cut from Commission travel, she would make a suggestion to cut from the Commission salaries. 2. An email from Mark Silver stating that the roads in Browns Park are in very good shape. Mr. Steglich reported that the county is working on improving the two miles above Jesse Ewing up to the Frankie Meyer place. And 3. A Notice of Annual Stockholders Meeting from Union Telephone. There was also an email from Craig Collett stating that he does have ten (10) RV sites that he rents out and does owe the County for that.

The following business license applications were submitted by the County Clerk's Office for review and approval: Boyd's Coffee Co., Coca Cola Bottling Co., DirecTV, LLC, Dish Network, LLC, Frito Lay, Heritage Operating, LP/V-1 Propane, Home Chef Market Place, Igloo Ice, Pitney Bowes, Searle Gas Co. /Sav On, Williams Scotsman, Inc. and Xerox Corp. Mr. Blanchard addressed concerns expressed by some of the local businesses not receiving their business license timely in order to provide information to the State of Utah for their liquor license. Mrs. McKee will review the situation and provide an update to the Commission. Upon review and discussion, motion by Mr. Blanchard to approve the business license applications as listed "a" through "l". Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

The matter of the Memorandum of Understanding with Town of Manila will be continued until the next meeting.

John Morton was present to provide information regarding an opportunity to obtain the original 1961 fire truck that is located in Fontenelle, WY. and provided the following information: He stated that the vehicle still runs and Fontenelle does not want to give it up unless they can transfer it to Daggett County. Mr. Morton stated that he believes he can get the materials for a building donated and would like to build a location between the conference hall and fire station so the public can view the vehicle and it can also be taken out for parades. He would like a commitment from the county for the ability to place the enclosure on that land. The local BOR at Fontenelle and Dutch John want it brought back but those in higher positions (BOR) want the revenue from the truck. The local employees at Fontenelle and Dutch John are not wanting to give up the truck for purchase and have determined that the only way is to donate the truck to Daggett County through the Museum Board. Mr. Steglich stated that he feels that the Commission can support this if there are no costs involved to the county. The commission directed Mr. Morton to move forward with the Fire Truck project.

Mr. Morton also provided a preliminary plan for the Dutch John Park. He stated that they are requesting permission from the Commission to begin the project. The first part of the project would be to install the sewer and water lines and would like the county employees (Jesse, Kelly and Doug with the help of Dutch John firemen) and county equipment to do this. Once they have started they can look for additional donations to pay for the park. Upon review and discussion, the Commission directed Mr. Morton to move forward with the Dutch John Park.

Mr. Raymond stated that he had just received the final version of the CIB listing from UBAG. He provided an update and reviewed the projects included in the list with the Commission. The listing for June 13, 2013 includes Community Center/Library and Phase III of the Browns Park Road. The listing for February 2014 are the Bike/Pedestrian Path and the Community Regional Business Center. Mr. Steglich stated that Phase III, Browns Park Road will not be applied for at this time. Mr. Raymond stated that by having a project on the list does not commit the county to do the project but if it is not on the list the county cannot consider doing the project. The matter was discussed.

Mrs. Perry stated that she had requested proposals for planting flowers in the county pots and had received one proposal back. Upon review, motion by Mrs. Perry to accept the bid as submitted from Sara Lamb, Potting Shed, to plant the flower pots in the county flower pots in the amount of \$1,650.00 as submitted. Seconded by Mr. Blanchard, all in favor.

Mr. Steglich had requested a suggestion from the suggestion box be included on the agenda for review and discussion. The concern as addressed was regarding the rate set for Per Diem for county employees when they are traveling for county business. Mrs. Pallesen expressed her concern with the amount of time that it takes to deal with reviewing the expense sheets for per diem. This matter was discussed and it was determined that the suggestion will be considered at the next Elected Officials meeting.

Since the county is now over the Senior Citizen Center and it was not included in the 2013 Commission Assignment list, motion by Mr. Blanchard for Karen Perry to be the commissioner over the Senior Citizen Center. Seconded by Mr. Steglich, all in favor.

Mr. Blanchard addressed the matter of a request from Search & Rescue asking to be able to provide pagers for the regular members and would both pagers and radios to the officers in Search & Rescue. The matter was reviewed and discussed and Mr. Steglich recommended for Mr. Blanchard to provide a proposal back to the Commission regarding this. Mrs. Pallesen stated that the county does not have a policy and Search & Rescue is under the County Sheriff.

Mr. Steglich reported as an update that he had received a phone call from Shelly with Old Moe and she had requested a 30 day extension for Hank Boehm's business license which Mrs. Perry and himself had allowed. The matter was discussed and was determined that this would be continued until more information can be obtained from the Forest Service.

The Planning & Zoning Board had submitted a recommendation to the Commission for a lot amendment in Harper Landing Subdivision. Mr. Steglich read the issue description as follows: Tim Gladwell currently owns two lots (6 and 11) in Harper Landing Subdivision. The lots are side by side and Mr. Gladwell would like to join these lots together so he can build a house and garage on the lot. The recommendation from the Planning & Zoning Board is as follows: John Martineau motioned to approve the lot line amendment for Harper Landing Subdivision and to approve the amended plat. Motion by Mr. Blanchard to approve the proposed lot line adjustment and the plat map as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

With no further business, motion by Mr. Blanchard to recess the meeting and go into Closed Session for discussion of the proposal from Congressman Bishop called the Grand Bargain at 10:30 A.M. The closed session adjourned at 11:55 A.M. With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12.00 noon.

/s/ Vicky McKee

/s/ Jerry Steglich

/s/ Karen Perry

/s/ Warren Blanchard