

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Daggett County Commission/Redevelopment Agency Board, Tuesday, April 8, 2014. Commissioners Perry and Steglich were present and Commissioner Blanchard was excused to attend another meeting. Vicky McKee, County Clerk, was present as board secretary. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Mrs. Perry, Board Chair.

Also present were: Eyvonne Long, Brian Raymond-Economic Development Director, Keri Pallesen-County Auditor/Recorder, Niel Lund-County Attorney, Dennis Long-Manila Mayor, James Olsen-Road Superintendent, Ned Brady and Valton Mortensen-Ashley National Forest.

With regards to old business, Brian Raymond stated that he had received a phone call from Sonny Bouck regarding the Closure of the Rifle Range signs as the signs are all gone and she requested that he provide the information to the County Commission. Mr. Raymond stated that he had put up three (3) temporary signs last fall and questioned the possibility of permanent signs. Mrs. Perry stated that as a solution to the problem, they could move the gate out to the cattle guard by the road and take fees there and then they would no longer be in danger of getting shot at. Mr. Long stated that may not be an option as Ms. Bouck also needs to be at the landfill to make sure things are put in the right spot. The matter was reviewed and discussed. Mr. Olsen stated that there is a grazing permit located there so the rancher does need access. Mr. Steglich stated that Jerry Muir works at the land fill on days other than the Saturday and Monday when the landfill is open. Mrs. Perry stated that there is a need for a permanent solution but there should be a simple solution as well. Mr. Steglich stated that there is a tour of the area scheduled for Monday at 2:00 P.M. for those involved to look at doing a land trade and expanding the landfill so this conversation will be continued until Monday.

There was no one present with citizen's comments.

The minutes of the April 1, 2014 meeting were provided by the County Clerk's office for review and approval. Motion by Mr. Steglich to approve the minutes as provided. Mrs. Perry provided the following revisions for the minutes: Page 3, Sentence 13, sentence revised to read – Mr. Stansfield stated that the Admit visit would have to be done by a physician and after that a physician would be required to visit every other month. Page 3, Sentence 17 – change the word “ran” to “run”. Seconded by Mrs. Perry as amended, all in favor.

The Open Invoice Report was provided by the County Auditor's office for review and approval. Mr. Steglich questioned the matter of the invoice from Union Telephone in the amount of \$41.73 for the broadband camera and maintenance and stated that there has never been service with Union Telephone for the camera. He stated that he will contact Union Telephone regarding this and that the county will not pay the \$41.73 invoice. Mrs. Perry questioned the reason for the Union Telephone for fire telephone in the amount of \$18.30 and Mrs. Pallesen responded that was for Dutch John. Mrs. Perry questioned the billing from Wex Bank for Fund 11 in the amount of \$410.76 for miscellaneous expense on a fuel card and the matter was discussed with Mr. Olsen. Mr. Steglich questioned the amount (\$705.00) of reimbursement to Warren Blanchard for the Water Conference in St. George and the matter was discussed. Since Tammy Twitchell's vehicle is now considered a county vehicle, it is available for county employees use as the other county vehicles. Motion by Mr. Steglich to approve the Open Invoice Report

in the amount of \$94,237.80 less the Union Telephone invoice in the amount of \$41.73 for the camera. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

There was no correspondence provided to the County Commission today.

Ned Brady, Sheep Creek Irrigation Co., was present to request of the commission to be able to enter into a permanent lease for a 99 year time period for 4,000 acre feet of water stored in the Flaming Gorge. They would like to put the water back on the mountain and show beneficial use of the 4,000 acre feet with a one-time payment of \$100,000.00 to the County for that water. Mr. Steglich stated that there are two things in question: 1. the 99 year term of lease and 2. There is about 3,800 acre feet available for lease and there needs to be the possibility of retaining some of the water for development in Dutch John or elsewhere. An option could be if an entity leases out water to a canal company or irrigation company part of that agreement would need to be that the county can ask for that water back if necessary. There had been discussion that there was a possibility that the county could lose up to 50% of the water if they tried to take it back because of the irrigation or agriculture designation. Mr. Steglich read an email provided by the water attorney stating that as long as the lease agreement was clear about the issue there should be no legal restraint or other problem with the county taking the water back if needed. The matter was reviewed and discussed. Mrs. Perry stated that the county had an agreement for \$80.00 per acre foot for each year or \$80,000.00 each year but this proposal would be used for agriculture which would be beneficial for the county residents. Mr. Brady questioned if it would not be better for the county to lease all the water with the option that the county can take it back. Mr. Steglich stated that he sees several benefits to leasing the water as requested: 1. Proof up on the water and put it to beneficial use. 2. It would provide some funding to the county and 3. It would be helping the local producers. There was also discussion regarding the possibility of a secondary water system for those that own acreage without water. Mr. Brady will go back to the Sheep Creek Board and tell them that the county would not be interested in the 99 year lease for \$100,000.00 but would be interested in leasing the water with the option of being able to take the water back if necessary and was interested in a secondary water system. It was determined that the matter needs to have more research done and have more discussion. The matter will be continued until the next meeting with the following assignments: Mrs. Perry will contact other entities with secondary water systems and check on funding and management, Brian Raymond will contract Cody Christensen, UBAG, regarding CIB grant availability for secondary water systems, Mr. Steglich will check with the State of Utah and Mr. Brady will talk with the Board Members of Sheep Creek Irrigation. This matter will be back on the agenda for further discussion.

The following business license applications were provided for review and approval: Mark Cole, Dinosaur River Expeditions, Brad Lovejoy, Matt Lucas, Eric Pietz, Gerd Preus and Delta Plan One. With no concerns addressed, motion by Mr. Steglich to approve the business license applications as listed 'a' through 'g'. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

James Olsen and Valton Mortensen-Ashley National Forest were present regarding the Modification of the Annual Road Maintenance Plan for 2014. Mr. Olsen introduced Valton Mortensen and Mr. Mortensen stated that he was the Civil Engineer for Ashley National Forest, the road manager as well as the contact person for the county.

Mr. Olsen stated that each year there is an annual meeting conducted and any modifications and notes from that meeting are included in the yearly Agreement. Mr. Mortensen stated that there are only two changes in the agreement from last year: 1. Contact person – Val Mortensen instead of Ross Catron and 2. The notes from the yearly meeting. Motion by Mr. Steglich to approve the Modification of the Agreement for the Annual Operating Plan as submitted. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

Upon being requested, Mr. Olsen stated that Jerry Muir, Manila Town Maintenance, had talked to him the other day about the County Cleanup and requested not to have the cleanup this year. His concern being that the landfill is almost full and there is not a need as there was in the past. Mr. Long, Manila Mayor, suggested that they could continue with a Free Dump Day where everyone can take garbage to the landfill without the county picking it up. Mrs. Perry stated that it is a large expense to the county to move equipment from one side of the county to the other to enable the Road Department to help with the cleanup. Mr. Olsen stated that it has been a good thing but he does not feel it needs to be continued.

Mr. Raymond provided information regarding the request for a booth at the Outdoor Gear Adventure Expo on May 9th & 10th at the South Towne Expo Center in Sandy and that there will hopefully be over 10,000 in attendance. There will be a cost of \$425.00 for a booth and fees for meals and overnight in the amount of \$125.00. Motion by Mr. Steglich to approve the request for funding a booth at the Outdoor Gear Adventure Expo. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

Mr. Raymond also provided information regarding his request for approval of a booth at the Governor's Outdoor Summit to be held on May 8, 2014 at the Salt Palace. Mr. Steglich stated that he had met with Chris Cornaby and Brad Peterson at the Governor's Economic Meeting last week and they plan on showcasing Daggett County and the county's biking trails system at the convention. The cost of the booth is more expensive and more directed to a higher end but the county can have a pick of the booth location. Mr. Steglich recommended that all three commissioners be in attendance. Motion by Mr. Steglich to support a booth at the Outdoor Summit with the funding to come from Economic Development – Meeting Expense and the funding for the Outdoor Gear Adventure Expo from TRT Fund – Daggett Designation. Seconded by Mrs. Perry, all in favor.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 A.M.

/s/ Vicky McKee

/s/ Karen Perry
/s/ Jerry Steglich