# Association of Local Governments Board Meeting SERDA Board Room 252 S Fairgrounds Rd Price, UT 84501

## **February 22. 2024**

MEMBERS PRESENT Mayor Michael Kourianos Commissioner Bill Winfield Commissioner Lynn Sitterud(v) Mayor Danny Van Wagoner Commissioner Tony Martines Richard Lory for Mayor Joette Langianese (v) Mayor Bayley Hedglin (v) Commissioner Bruce Adams	STAFF Jade Powell Kim Wells (v) Paula Ingram Geri Gamber Vicki Ori LuEssa Averett(v) Julie Rosier	GUESTS Zac Whitwell Kent Wilson-Senator Romney office Larry Ellertson- Congressman Curtis office Joel Brown- Senator Lee's office
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# 1. INFORMATION: Congressional Staff, State & Federal Officials, Guest Information / Presentations - Chair

- Larry Ellertson- Congressman Curtis is busy in co signing letters of variety of things,
- Energy of Commerce is sending President Biden letters of concern to renew natural gas permits which many businesses rely on.
- Co signed a letter with a representative out of Colorado for people to be able to apply for sba disaster loans.
- **Kent Wilson** -just wants to say thank you to all of you for working to get things done.
- Printed a book to give the people to show the outcome of the infrastructure bill, San Juan received over 50 million dollars, Grand County received 10 million dollars Carbon and Emery received between 3-5 million dollars due to this bill.
- **Senator Romney** is trying to get a passport office in SLC, passports are becoming a big issue and we feel there needs to be an office closer than Denver.
- Senator has about ten months left so if there is anything we can do in that time please let us know.
- **Joel Brown from Senator Lee's office** wanted us to know the Washington D.C trip is full.

#### 2. MOTION: SEUALG Consent Agenda - Chair

- A. Approval of SEUALG Board Meeting Minutes from February 22, 2024
- B. Personnel Policy & Procedure Revisions
- C. Ratify Email Vote Approve BODEC Light Pole
- D. E-Bike Policy

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Michael Kourianos and was seconded by Mayor Baylie Hedglin. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

Roll call vote was taken to establish a quorum.

#### 3. DISCUSSION / MOTION: Items Pulled From Consent Agenda - Chair

- No items pulled from the Consent Agenda.

#### 4. MOTION: April Board Meeting Cancellation

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to cancel the April meeting. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Michael Kourianos and was seconded by Mayor Danny VanWagoner. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

#### 5. INFORMATION / MOTION: Agency Financials - Kim Wells

- Half way through the year, focus is on the spend down.
- Grants are tracking well.
- Weatherization to get their grant spent down
- Budget season, its my first year to create a budget

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to approve financials. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Danny VanWagoner and was seconded by Commissioner Bill Winfield. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

#### 6. INFORMATION/ MOTION: Approval Indirect Cost Rate 12.9% - Kim Wells

- In the past we were at %14.7 and it went down this year to %12.9
- This is how the fiscal office is funded.

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to approve indirect costs. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Bill Winfield and was seconded by Mayor Micheal Kourianos. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

### 7. INFORMATION: Medical Voucher Update - Colton Judd

- Approved for an additional \$15,000.00
- Program capped at \$400.00 last year and .40 cents per mile, this year due to the rising cost of fuel it is now \$650.00 a year at .65 cents a mile.
- Drivers who will drive clients to cancer treatments, grocery shopping, and salon appointments etc.
- Available in all four counties.

#### 8. INFORMATION: Brownsfield Update - Vikki Ori

- Continuing to research Brownfields
- We have scheduled a meeting with the company Teracon to meet with the executive team in March to offer their service to apply for an EPA grant.

### 9. INFORMATION: Rural Caucus Update - Vikki Ori

- Vikki attended Rural Caucus to speak and Mutual Self- Help housing, wanted to make sure there was a program to help with the governor's goal of 35,00 new homes in 5 years.
- It's a great thing to have our organization be involved in the Rural Caucus to set an example.

#### 10. INFORMATION: Monticello & Wellington Update - Vikki Ori

- Meetings were very well attended in San Juan County for residents to discuss their housing needs.
- Survey was sent out by a consultant and we are awaiting the results.
- Once the MOu is accepted we will be able to add SAn Juan County to our USDA grant.
- Wellington's update on our property is going to be a hurdle, due to a land owner next to us being inaccessible and there are things to be worked out before we can move forward.

# 11. INFORMATION: Introduction of Chris Allred as Housing Rehab Program Manager - Vikki Ori

- Chris Allred has worked in our weatherization program for almost 3 years, and will now be working as our housing rehab program manager as well as still working in the weatherization program.

#### 12. INFORMATION: Olene Walker Projects - Chris Allred

- Currently working on a rural single family rehabilitation program we have identified a home that we would like to issue these funds to, we are not ready to address to board for a motion.

#### 13. MOTION: Program Year 2024 CDBG Rating and Ranking of Projects - Lacee Meyer

- There were six applications through CDBG this year.
- Moab City was our first application, to construct a new ada playground in Swanny PArk.
- One point to bring up with the ranking and rating. Based on our policies there have been questions asked about if Moab should be ADA or recreation but it doesn't change the overall scoring.
- Castle Valley submitted two applications during this grant period but SERDA policy only one can be approved unless all others are funded and there are funds left over.
- SERDA's land acquisition phase 4 has no match and the requested \$261,000 and they would be allowed \$30,798 at this time if they feel they can buy one lot for this funds they are allowed.
- Huntington City for fire tender truck, they received lower points due to not having a match, and even if they were in first place we would have not been fully funded due to that amount being over the award we have.
- Castle Valley this one was not funded because applicants preferred their other grant be funded instead of this one.
- Grand County was disqualified; it would have been in third place and received some funds, but a former employee of SERDA gave some incorrect information to the applicant about not needing a income survey. Which is unfortunate because fire trucks are needed.
- SERDA will be helping them write a grant to help get a new fire truck.

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to approve CDBG rating and rankings. Motion to approve was made by Mayor Danny VanWagoner and was seconded by Commissioner Bill Winfield. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

# 14. INFORMATION: Local Administrative Advisor Legislative Update - Christine Watkins & Lacee Meyer

- a. We are working individually with towns to see what we can do to help the cities become stronger, we can help with grants and training.
- b. Update on Council of Governments Carbon Counties
- We are helping Scofield revitalize their old school house building.
- c. City Council Meeting Update- While Christine has been at Legislation we decided to not attend the meetings until she finishes.

## 15.INFORMATION: Main Street Non-Profit Update - Paula Ingram

- Nothing to report, there hasn't been a meeting. We have eight or nine staff who will work on Main Street with towns that are excited to be a part of this.

### 16. UPDATE: Utah League of Cities and Towns - Mayor Danny Van Wagoner

- Eight days left, three more bills this morning will set a record of bills to go through the legislature.

#### 17. UPDATE: Utah Association of Counties - Commissioner Bruce Adams

- We meet every Thursday morning at the capitol.
- We as elected officials do have influence on what is happening.
- Record amount of bills going through the legislature.

#### 18. OTHER BUSINESS - Kim Wells

- Two events at the Foodbank have been brought to our attention
  - a. Relationships directly violate policy and procedures with volunteers. Worker was suspended and the volunteer was let go.
  - b. Two volunteers were acting in an inappropriate manner. We are still working through this situation and we will address the board as we know more.

#### 19.MOTION: Adjournment

Commissioner Bruce Adams called for a motion to Adjourn. Motion to approve was made by Commissioner Bill Winfield and seconded by Mayor Micheal Kourianos. Vote unanimous and motion carried.

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