

**RICH COUNTY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
JUNE 4, 2014**

The Rich County Commission Meeting was held on June 4, 2014 at the County Courthouse in Randolph, Utah beginning at 10:00 a.m. Those present were Chairman William E. Cox, Commissioner Norman A. Weston, Commissioner Thomas J. Weston and Clerk Rebecca Peart.

A motion was made by Tom Weston and seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to approve the June 4, 2014 agenda as presented.

**Reed Ernstrom Director of Bear River Mental Health** met with the Commission to discuss the **Area Plan**. He provided a spreadsheet and packet of the District 1 Local Mental Health Authority FY 2015 Area Plan. Mr. Ernstrom explained and went over the plan with the commissioners. He stated they are doing more with mental health early intervention. Norm Weston made a motion to accept the **District 1 Local Authority Approval of Area Plan 2015**. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

**Travis Hobbs** met with the Commission to discuss **launching sites for boats**. Garden City Mayor John Spulher was also present. House Bill 333 limits where and how boats can be launched. They stated there are not enough locations on Bear Lake to launch boats. They presented a scale diagram of the Bear Lake Jetty/Dike Launch – Concept B. Their engineer projected the cost at 2 to 3 million dollars. They agreed they need to contact the Legislature, State Lands, Utah Department of Transportation and all that would be involved. Norm Weston made a motion to approve the concept and allow Mitch Poulsen to continue to work on the concept. The Commission would like to be informed of any developments.

**Cameron Looney with RICOH** met with the Commissioners to inform them that the 60 month lease on the copier in the Clerks Office and the Jail is up. He stated that the lease on the new **copy machines** will stay the same. The new lease would be for 60 months, \$239.07 a month for both and \$0.0067 per copy. The new machines would be installed within the next 3 weeks. Norm Weston made a motion to enter into a new lease agreement with RICOH for 60 months. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

**Mitch Poulsen Bear Lake Regional Commission Director** met with the Commission to discuss Economic Development. He also discussed Enterprise Zones. Mitch would like to see the whole county put in an Enterprise Zone. The Commission would like Mitch to follow up on the pros and cons of enterprise zones. A motion was made by Norm Weston to allow Mitch to continue to provide information to the Commission on his findings of Enterprise Zones. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

**Robert Kolan** is a property owner on the east side of the lake. He thanked the Commission for the bike path but stated the striping has faded. He feels this is a hazard. The Commission will look into striping at least a portion of the bike path.

**Kim Wilson Rich County Assessor** met with the Commission to discuss personal property exemptions. Assessor Wilson presented **personal property exemptions** that she had received. The Commissioners reviewed each application. Tom Weston made a motion to approve the personal property exemptions as presented. Norm Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed. Kim stated she had looked into taxing a home that had burned down, she found that as of January 1 the value was established. With the home burning down the owners will need to appeal their value at Board of Equalization. Kim explained she had Dustin Hansen on the tax rolls as a Secondary Residence not Primary. She recommend a refund for 5 years **overpayment of taxes**. Tom Weston made a motion to refund Dustin Hansen \$4927.41 for 5 years of overpayment of taxes. Norm Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

**Mike Downing President of Rich County EMTs and Kim Wilson with Rich County Ambulance** met with the Commission to discuss EMTs at a **private rodeo** being held every weekend during the summer. The EMTs felt that every weekend would make our ambulance service short handed and it would be requiring to much from them as volunteers. The Commission would like Mike to talk to the Rodeo producer and explain our special event fees. The Commission will talk to the County Attorney and get his guidance.

**Ken Thigpen** met with to the Commission to request a **Building Covenant**. He had filled out the required paperwork. He stated the property is located on Swan Creek Village Lot 22 and 21. He is building an addition on to an existing structure. A motion was made by Norm Weston to approve the Building Covenant contingent upon recording the Warranty Deeds. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

**Dan Ames Rich County Fire Warden** met with the Commission and informed them that the State is proposing to take over all **Wildland Suppression** costs in the State. Norm Weston made a motion to approve the concept of the first draft from Forestry Fire and State Lands for the State assuming suppression costs of wildland fire. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed. Dan informed the Commission that over 100 firefighters from Northern Utah had training at Bear Lake on the weekend of May 31 and that it had went well. Fire restrictions were discussed.

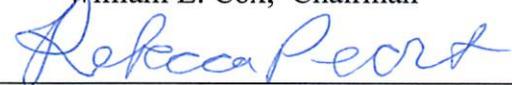
A motion was made by Tom Weston seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to approve the **Utah Retirement Systems Policy update** to read On behalf of each full time Elected/Appointed Official, (Rich County Assessor, Rich County Clerk/Auditor, Rich County Recorder, Rich County Treasurer, and Rich County Sheriff) who begins initial employment on or after July 1, 2011 are eligible under the Tier 2 Retirement System. Those who have URS service prior to July 1, 2011 are eligible under the Tier 1 Retirement System if they meet the minimum earnings requirement. Part time regular Elected/Appointed Officials who have had URS service prior to July 1, 2011 and meet the minimum earnings requirement are eligible for coverage under the Tier 1 Retirement System. Those employed on or after July 1, 2011 are not eligible for either Tier 1 or 2. Details on the amounts contributed are available from the County Clerk.

Commissioner Tom Weston made a motion to approve the May 7, **Minutes** and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Norm Weston and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Tom Weston, and seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to approve the **CURRENT EXPENDITURES** as presented.

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned.

Approved:   
William E. Cox, Chairman

Attest:   
Rebecca Peart, Clerk