

COMMISSION MINUTES

May 28, 2024

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this twenty-eighth day of May 2024. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Scott Johnson, Greg Jensen, and Ralph Brown in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Executive Director Malcolm Nash and Deputy Clerk/Auditor Barbara Crowther were also present.

County Attorney Casey Jewkes was excused.

Commission Business:

Commissioner Brown said that the proposed Brooklyn Special Service District is moving forward and they are working on scheduling a meeting for the residents. He then reported that the Rocky Mountain ATV Jamboree went live and there are currently over 420 applicants; and Miss Sevier County is getting ready to select a new Miss Sevier.

Minutes of May 13th Commission Meetings and May 20th Special Meeting approved:

Minutes of the May 13th Worksession, May 13th Commission Meeting and May 20th Special Meeting were then approved with one correction on a motion by Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Assessor Terri Hartle appointed to the MCAT Board:

The Commission then considered the need to appoint a new board member to the MCAT Board as Amy Garren-Clark had held that role. After discussion and noting that Terri Hartle had been sworn in as the Interim Assessor and the Assessor's Office works with the Multi-County Appraisal Trust (MCAT), Commissioner Jensen moved to ratify the appointment of Terri Hartle as the board member from Sevier County, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

County Privacy Policy adopted:

Human Resource Director Craig Blake then met with the Commission and reviewed a proposed Privacy Policy Statement for Personally Identify information. Mr. Blake said he had received information from the State Auditor Office about the requirement for a Privacy Policy on the County website. The Commission noted that the Privacy Policy had been reviewed by the State Privacy Officer in the State Auditor's Office as well as the Sevier County Attorney. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to adopt a Resolution adopting a Privacy Policy Statement for Personally Identifiable Information for Sevier County, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Administrative Office of the Courts Contract amended:

The Commission then considered an amendment to Contract #152302 with the State of Utah, Administrative Office of the Courts for Bailiff and Perimeter Security. Commissioner Johnson noted that County Attorney Jewkes and Sheriff Curtis had already approved the contract. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the amendment to the Contract with the Administrative Office of the Courts for Bailiff and Perimeter Security, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Bookmobile Service Agreement approved:

The Commission then considered a contract with the Utah State Library for Bookmobile services. Commissioner Johnson noted that this was a yearly contract, and the bookmobile was heavily used in Sevier County. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the contract with the Utah State Library for Bookmobile services, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Discussion regarding Sigurd Acquisitions Conditional Use Permit application:

Joel Puritz, Desri, met with the Commission concerning a Conditional Use Permit for Sigurd Acquisitions LLC for a battery storage area. Mr. Nash reviewed the conditions set by the Planning Commission and told the Commission that they may wish to add to the conditions prior to making a decision on the permit. Discussion followed concerning possible conditions including: disposal of construction waste, requirements for point of sale, etc. Ms. Quitter asked about the access to the proposed project area, and stated the necessity of purchasing an encroachment permit for that access. She asked that the Road Department be included when the application for the building permit is issued. Further discussion followed regarding the existing water rights, what will happen to the unused water after the development, planned activities for the land not needed for the development, the need for training to our emergency services personnel and fire departments in case of an incident, the need for an emergency response plan, and type of fencing that would be required. Mr. Puritz said that the water for the developed area would be disseminated to the other areas of the working agriculture farm established in the area. The Commission said that they would put a document together listing the conditions they would like for the permit, and asked that the matter be placed on a future agenda for consideration. No further action was taken at this time.

Henries Hollow Phase 1 Subdivision approved:

Ryan Savage, Sunrise Engineering, and Lenny Hartle met with the Commission concerning the Henries Hollow, Phase 1, Major Subdivision. The Commission noted that the Planning Commission had recommended approval of Phase 1 of the Henries Hollow Major Subdivision. Discussion followed concerning the number of lots, that they had vacated roads earlier in the year for this subdivision, and that this project has been two years in the making. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Henries Hollow Subdivision, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Ink Bottle Estates Phase III Subdivision approved:

Mr. Savage then met with the Commission concerning the Ink Bottle Estates Phase III Subdivision in the Koosharem Area. Discussion followed concerning the roadways in the subdivision needing to be upgraded, that the road to the subdivision was not improved, and the actions that had been taken for the roads in previous phases. Mr. Savage noted that the subdivision started with 9 lots, but they are only asking for 7 lots at this time because there were B roads going through some of the original lots requested. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Ink Bottle Estates Phase III Subdivision, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Contract with DWR for Cler Creek Stream Improvement Project amended:

The Commission then considered a contract with the DWR for Clear Creek Stream Improvement Project Redesign. Commissioner Johnson said that this contract would allow us to use the money in the state's next fiscal year to complete the project and add the stuff with the fish..... Commissioner Jensen approved, Commissioner Brown seconded for approving the contract, unanimous.

Items declared surplus, authorized for disposal:

The Commission reviewed a list of county personal property items that are broken or are no longer being used. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to declare the items as surplus and authorize their disposal as indicated on the list, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Temporary Beer License for Bar 86 and Local Consent approved:

The Commission then considered a request from Bar 86 LLC. for a temporary beer license for and Local Consent for the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to supply beer at the King Rally near Sigurd. The Commission noted that the Sheriff had signed off on the request. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the temporary beer license and authorize the Chairman to sign the Local Consent form, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Tax Sale Results for 2024 ratified:

The Commission reviewed reports from the annual tax sale held on May 23, 2024. Deputy Clerk/Auditor Barbara Crowther explained that parcels which are 5 years delinquent in payment of taxes are prepared for the sale. Discussion followed concerning the number of parcels slated for sale as of March 15, 2024, the number of parcels redeemed, and the number of parcels that were sold on the sale. After review and discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to ratify the results of the delinquent tax sale held on May 23, 2024, and authorize preparation of the tax deeds, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Travel Council Recommendations approved:

Tourism Director Amy Myers then reviewed the recommendations of the Travel Council with the Commission. The events included a Team Sorting event, a mountain bike event, a baseball tournament, the State Cinderella Pageant, and a Steak Cook-off. The Travel Council had also noted that they would like to send a letter to the Hotels with a list of events, as well as a list of teams, that should be attending the tournaments to hopefully help offset the cost of hotel rooms by allowing teams to book well in advance at a block rate. Ms. Myers also said there were changes to the bylaws coming to allow changes to the Travel Council members if those members were not coming to the meetings. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the expenditures as recommended by the Travel Council, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous. Commissioner Jensen then thanked Amy for the work she has done.

No action taken on Livestock Fencing Ordinance:

The Commission said they were not ready to make a decision on the Livestock Fencing Ordinance. No action was taken at this time.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:17 p.m.