

GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL
125 East Center Street
Moab, Utah

January 21, 2014

The Grand County Council met in regular session on the above date in the Council Chambers of the Grand County Courthouse located at 125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah. Chairman Lynn Jackson called the Council Meeting to order at 4:02 p.m. In attendance were Council Members Gene Ciarus, Jim Nyland, Elizabeth Tubbs, Patricia Holyoak, Lynn Jackson, Ken Ballantyne and Rory Paxman along with Grand County Clerk/Auditor Diana Carroll and Council Administrator Ruth Dillon. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chair Lynn Jackson.

Approval of Minutes (Diana Carroll, Clerk/Auditor)

A. January 7, 2014 (County Council Meeting)

Action postponed until the next meeting.

Approval of Payment of Bills

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Patricia Holyoak to approve payment of bills presented in the amount of \$904,103.51. Accounts payable check numbers 81618 – 81768 for 2013 bills and 81769 – 81867 for 2014 bills totaling \$740,883.89 and payroll in the amount of \$163,219.62 confirming all bills presented were within budgeted appropriations. Motion seconded by Council Member Rory Paxman carried with a 7 – 0 roll call vote.

Council Administrator Report

Ruth Dillon reported on an accident at OSTA with property damage and gave an update on the CDBG Grant application.

Department Head Reports

Bill Jackson gave an update on maintenance of the Onion Creek Road.

Grand County EMS Director Andy Smith gave an update of department activities. The State has approved paramedic program, which will begin June 15. A First Responder class will be offered in Castle Valley.

Agency Reports

B. Housing Authority of Southeastern Utah Quarterly Report (Robert Muir, Housing Authority Executive Director)

Housing Authority Executive Director Robert Muir gave the quarterly report for HASU ending January 21, 2014. The update included the financial report, Self-Help Program, Crown, Cinema Court and Virginian Apartments.

Citizens to Be Heard

Dennis Stiles spoke regarding his concern about the safety of the above ground Dead Horse lateral pipeline.

Presentations

C. Retirement Presentation to Robert Davenport in Recognition for 19 Years of Dedicated Service to the Grand County Road Department (Bill Jackson, Roads Supervisor)

Grand County Roads Supervisor Bill Jackson accepted a plaque on behalf of Robert Davenport who recently retired after 19 years of service to Grand County.

Discussion Items

D. Calendar Items and Public Notices (KaLeigh Welch, Council Office Coordinator)

General Business- Action Items- Discussion and Consideration of:

E. Approving Proposed Letter of Support to State Engineer, Division of Water Rights Regarding the Proposed Federal Reserved Water Rights Agreement between the Division of Water Rights and Arches National Park (Council Member Ciarus)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Gene Ciarus to approve the proposed letter of support to the State Engineer, Division of Water Rights regarding the proposed Federal Reserved Water Rights Agreement

between the Division of Water Rights and Arches National Park and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Elizabeth Tubbs carried 7 – 0.

F. Approving Proposed Revised Resolution Endorsing the Recommendation of the Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee- Site Futures Committee for an Initial Community Vision for Future Use of the Moab UMTRA Project Mill Site (Russ von Koch, Chair, Site Futures Committee of the Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Patricia Holyoak to approve the proposed resolution endorsing the recommendation of the Moab Tailings project Steering Committee-Site Futures Committee for an initial community vision for future use of the Moab UMTRA Project Mill Site with the recommended changes and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Ken Ballantyne carried 7 – 0.

G. Approving Proposed Interlocal Agreement between Moab City and Grand County to Transfer \$12,500 of Grant Funds Received from the State Division of Parks and Recreation to Reimburse Grand County Trail Mix Committee for Development of the Prospector Trail and Klondike & Klonzo Singletrack Non-motorized Trail Additions

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Gene Ciarus to approve the proposed Interlocal Agreement between Moab City and Grand County to transfer \$12,500 of grant funds received from the State Division of Parks and Recreation to reimburse Grand County Trail Mix Committee for the development of the Prospector Trail and Klondike & Klonzo singletrack non-motorized trail additions and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Rory Paxman carried 7 – 0.

H. Approving Option A) Funding for Grand County's Continued Sponsorship of the Grand County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) or Option B) Relinquishment of Grand County's Sponsorship of the Program Effective March 31, 2014 (Verleen Striblen, Grand Center Program Manager)

Discussion occurred with Grand Center Program Manager Verleen Striblen and RSVP Project Director Jody Ellis regarding ongoing federal grant funding issues.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Gene Ciarus to relinquish Grand County's sponsorship of the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program effective March 31, 2014 and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Patricia Holyoak. Council Members Ballantyne and Tubbs expressed concern over losing an important program. Motion carried 5 – 2 with Council Members Ballantyne and Tubbs opposed.

I. Approving Proposed Administrative Changes to the Employee Handbook to 1) Remove Requirement for Time Off Request Form, 2) Change References of "Public Safety and Dispatch" to "Sheriff's Office" and 3) Allow Full Reimbursement of Travel Expenses (vs. 75%) on Travel Days (Orlinda Robertson, Human Resources Director)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Elizabeth Tubbs to approve the proposed administrative changes to the Employee Handbook to 1) remove requirement for Time Off Request form, 2) change the references of "Public Safety and Dispatch" to "Sheriff's Office, and 3) allow full reimbursement of travel expenses (vs. 75%) on travel days and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Patricia Holyoak. **AMENDED MOTION:** Motion by Council Member Rory Paxman to approve the request as submitted with the exception of omitting item #1. Motion seconded by Council Member Gene Ciarus failed 2 – 5 with Council Members Holyoak, Jackson, Tubbs, Ballantyne and Nyland opposed. The original motion failed 3 – 4 with Council Members Nyland, Ballantyne, Paxman and Ciarus opposed.

J. Approving Proposed Deputy Clerk/Auditor Job Description (Diana Carroll, Clerk/Auditor)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Ken Ballantyne to approve the job description for the new position in the Grand County Clerk/Auditor Office funded in the 2014 Grand County Budget. Motion seconded by Council Member Rory Paxman carried 6 – 1 with Council Member Ciarus opposed.

K. Amending Previously Adopted Motion to Change Appointees to Council Members Jackson and Ciarus as Representatives to the Natural Lands, Agriculture & Recreation Team as Part of the *Your Utah, Your Future* Project Established by Governor Herbert (Council Member Ciarus)

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Gene Ciarus to amend previously adopted motion to change appointees to Council Member Jackson and Ciarus as representatives to the Natural Lands, Agriculture & Recreation

Team as part of the *Your Utah, Your Future* project established by Governor Herbert. Motion seconded by Council Member Ken Ballantyne. Council Member Tubbs expressed concern that the Council's board selection procedure was not followed in this case. Motion carried 6 – 1 with Council Member Tubbs opposed.

Consent Agenda- Action Items

L. Approving Proposed Revised Parental Defender Agreement through December 31, 2014 or Longer, with Option for Automatic One Year Renewal for Attorney Joyce Smith, Parental Defender and Juvenile Defender, Postponed from January 7, 2014

M. Approving Proposed Renewal of Department of Workforce Services Worksite Learning Experience and Youth Unpaid Internship Employer Agreement

N. Ratifying 2014 Chair's Signature on Collection Agreement between Bonneville Billing & Collections, Inc. and Grand County for Emergency Medical Services Collections Activities

O. Ratifying 2014 Chair's Signature on Letters Sent to 1) Distinguished Members of the Federal Appropriations Committee and 2) Federal Congressional Leadership Urging Funding of the Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILT) Program for Federal Fiscal Year 2014

P. Ratifying 2013 Chair's Signature Approving Belo Media Contract for Moab Area Travel Council in the Amount of \$133,000

Q. Ratifying 2013 Chair's Signature Approving Alpha Broadcasting Contract for Moab Area Travel Council in the Amount of \$60,000

R. Ratifying 2013 Chair's Signature Approving Comcast Spotlight Contract for Moab Area Travel Council in the Amount of \$90,000

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Elizabeth Tubbs to approve Items M – R of the Consent Agenda as submitted. Motion seconded by Council Member Jim Nyland carried 7 – 0.

MOTION: Motion by Council Member Gene Ciarus to approve the revised Parental Defender Agreement with dates effective January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2018 with the addition of Item D regarding submission of invoices for payment. Motion seconded by Council Member Ken Ballantyne carried 7 – 0.

Public Hearings- Possible Action Items (none)

General Council Reports

Council Member Nyland attended the Transportation and Recreation District board meetings.

Council Member Tubbs reported on the upcoming process of counting the homeless population. The Thompson Springs Fire District is trying to hire Mark Marcum as the Fire Chief. The Willows lost another 38% of HUD grant – more information will follow later.

Council Member Ciarus attended the Envision Utah meeting and will attend an upcoming meeting with SITLA regarding Bookcliff wildlife.

Council Member Jackson reported that the County Attorney has released a report to the press regarding a citizen complaint of conflict of interest.

Council Member Paxman attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Council Member Holyoak attended the Moab Area Water Protection, Cemetery Board, Council on Aging and GWSSA meetings.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.


Grand County Council Chair

ATTEST:


Diana Carroll
Grand County Clerk/Auditor