

**MINUTES FOR DUCHESNE COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS MEETING
HELD JUNE 03, 2024, AT 3:00 P.M. AT THE
DUCHESNE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING
IN DUCHESNE, UTAH**

Present

Chairman: Duchesne City Mayor Rodney Rowley, Commissioner Irene Hansen, Commissioner Tracy Killian, Commissioner Greg Miles, Altamont City Mayor Clyde Watkins, Duchesne County Deputy Attorney Tyler Allred, Duchesne City Council Member Jenny Adams, Economic Development Director Deborah Herron, Travel & Tourism Director Ryan Lundstrom, Tabiona Town Mayor John Breakfield, Community Development Director Mike Hyde, Community Development Deputy Director Mike Gottfredson, Lori Haslem with the Governor's Office of Economic Development Opportunity (GOEO), and Commission Executive Assistant Melissa Hughes is taking minutes of the meeting.

Present via Zoom

Kelsey Carter

Opening of Meeting and Roll Call

(3:06 p.m.)

Duchesne City Mayor Rodney Rowley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Consideration of Minutes from the March 25, 2024, Meeting

(3:06 p.m.)

Commissioner Greg Miles made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2024, meeting, as presented. Duchesne City Council Member Jenny Adams seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposing votes.

Discussion of Mental Health for First Responders

(3:07 p.m.)

Commissioner Miles said there was a change in legislation this year. Local governments are required to provide mental health support for first responders. Grants are available to help start a program, expand the existing program, or try something new entirely. The County has a contract with North Eastern County to provide the service for the County first responders. There are specific requirements that each entity must comply to: signs must be posted on the wall that resources are available, annual training must be complete, and dependents are also covered, spouses and children. More information can be found by looking at Utah Code 53-21-103. The County will partner with the cities and towns if they would like to. The parties discussed the requirements of the new law.

Discussion of 2024 Road Projects

(3:17 p.m.)

Commissioner Miles asked what projects the cities and towns are working on. Duchesne City Mayor Rodney Rowley would like to partner with the County on 800 North and Main. They have completed some, but the expense is beyond what they can afford to complete. The County has a contract with Burdick Materials, and they have plans to chip seal 70 miles of road this year. They are widening North Crescent Road, it will probably be a multiyear project. Tabiona Town Mayor John Breakfield is wondering when the County plans to finish roto milling the road coming from the rodeo grounds to the old road. Commissioner Miles said they will get to it when they can.

Discussion of Airport Overlay Zones

(3:23 p.m.)

Community Development Director Mike Hyde explained in response to House Bill 206, passed in the 2023 Utah General Legislative Session, Duchesne County proposes to amend its zoning ordinance to establish an airport overlay zone to protect the Duchesne Municipal Airport from incompatible development on lands under county jurisdiction. HB 206 establishes a deadline of December 31, 2024 for this to be completed. Duchesne City and Roosevelt City will need to consider a similar ordinance pertaining to lands within the city limits.

The proposed ordinance amendment was reviewed during a public hearing conducted by the County Planning Commission on May 1, 2024. Upon hearing numerous concerns and requests for an extension of time to review and comment on the ordinance, the Planning Commission voted to recess their public hearing until August 7, 2024 to allow for further study of the regulatory options.

They are working with the public and the oil industry to come up with a solution that protects the public in case of a plane crash.

Discussion of Upcoming Activities and Events

(3:41 p.m.)

Commissioner Hansen stated that the Community Impact Board (CIB) retreat is this week and Duchesne County is hosting it. There is a dinner on Thursday night she would like the mayors to attend if they are available.

The County Fair is August 5th through August 10th. The livestock auction will be on Friday, August 9th.

Duchesne's Arts Committee is continuing the paint night. On the 4th of July, there will be a concert in the park.

Tabiona's rodeo is on Friday, July 5th and Saturday, July 6th. The parade is on Saturday, July 5th.

Neola and Duchesne City will have their parades is on July 4th.

Altamont Long Horn days is July 22nd through July 27th.

The Holy Fair will be the second weekend of November instead of the first weekend due to Halloween being on Thursday.

Other Business

(3:52 p.m.)

Lori Haslem with GOEO gave information about the Office of Travel and Tourism. They are making a lot of changes. They are coming through the area and would like to stop and visit with anyone who would like to come and listen and ask questions. The meeting is on June 12th in the afternoon.

Stewarts is hosting an AI training tomorrow at 8:30 am at the Centennial Event Center in Duchesne. The parties discussed the effectiveness of using the AI for small businesses.

Adjournment

(4:00 p.m.)

Commissioner Irene Hansen made a motion to adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Altamont City Mayor Clyde Watkins seconded the motion. The forum adjourned.

Read and approved this on the 23rd day of September 2024.

Mayor Rodney Rowley
Chairman

Commissioner Irene Hansen
Secretary

Minutes of meeting taken by Commission Executive Assistant Melissa Hughes

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