

SANPETE COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO, 1

May 19, 2026

11:00 A.M.

Members present for the meeting are Chairman Commissioner Scott Bartholomew, Ben Black, Doug Christiansen, and Robert Staker. Stan Jensen asked to be excused. Secretary Kristine Frischknecht-Christensen and Treasurer Brett Casperson are present. Road Department Supervisor Tom Seely is present and Garrick Willden and Brett Brayden are present representing Jones and DeMille Engineering.

Meeting is called to order by Chairman/Commissioner Bartholomew.

Minutes for the meeting held in April were distributed prior to the meeting. Upon review, a motion is made by Robert Staker to approve the minutes with minor corrections. The motion is seconded by Ben Black and the motion passes.

Claims that were submitted are considered for approval as follows:

Kristine Frischknecht (Meal)	\$73.28
Sanpete County (Dust Suppression)	\$57,663.02
Jone and DeMille (Dust Suppression)	\$5,670.00

Motion is made by Doug Christiansen to approve the above listed claims. The motion seconded Robert Staker and the motion passes.

20 A financial report is given at this time. The board has budgeted \$100,000.00 for
21 each of the four quarterly mineral lease payments we receive each year. The
22 payment that was just received for this quarter was \$79,662.33 which is under what
23 was estimated. There were funds received from SSD#3 in the amount of
24 \$2,562,360.78. Additionally, the board received \$1,400.00 in additional mineral
25 lease and \$195,484.92 from Secure Rural School Fund. Garrick reminds the board
26 that the Sugar Factory Road project was under estimated and line item 28 on the
27 budget sheet was increased in the amount of \$743,267.55 to fund the project. He
28 states that there will be a pre-construction meeting June 1, 2026 at 8:00 a.m. The
29 current unobligated amount is \$2,106,300.71. There is a question about forth
30 coming funding from SSD#3. The funds have not been coming to SSD#3 due to
31 the flood at the mine. Tom reports that they will begin mining in the next 30-60
32 days in a different area but it will not affect us as far as getting funding because it
33 will be on the Carbon County side. There is discussion about our loan payments
34 and that there will be a new ongoing payment that we have not had until this year
35 for the Moroni T Road in the amount of \$110,000.00 per year. With the possible
36 decrease in the federal mineral lease, the uncertainty of Secure Rural School and
37 likelihood of no funds coming from SSD#3, the board will need to be
38 conscientious about spending with limited funds. A motion is made by Ben Black
39 to approve the Financial Report. The motion is seconded by Robert Staker and the
40 motion passes.

41 Doug Christiansen asked that Newman Lane be put on the agenda for discussion.
42 His intention is to make a motion relative to paving this road. He believes that this
43 board should not allow one or two property owners to stop the improvement of this
44 road. Garrick states that there are two people who won't give right of way and that
45 is what stopped the project. Jones and Demille has surveyed this and ready to

46 secure rights of way. The board spent sufficient funds getting to this point and then
47 the project was dropped for the lack of participation of the two property owners not
48 giving right of way to make 66 ft the entire length of the project. Doug suggests
49 that the road be done in spite of this. Tom states in the new county ordinance a
50 person cannot build without giving up the right of way in the future. One of the
51 property owners that will not give the right of way cannot sell the lot in the future
52 for building unless she gives the right of way. Commissioner Bartholomew
53 expresses concerns about oiling this road without the right of way due to the
54 location of the utilities. Doug Christiansen believes that if the utilities are under
55 pavement that the utility has the obligation to restore it if they have to disturb it.
56 Doug makes a motion that this road be put on the road list to be cold surfaced, that
57 the rights of way be purchased from those willing and then to proceed with the
58 project as funds become available. Commissioner Bartholomew disagrees. The
59 property owner has expressed that she wants to sell the property and they believe
60 that when she does, she will have to give the right of way. Doug asked the Road
61 Supervisor for his opinion on paving the road. Tom states that he believes that it
62 should be left as is until the right of way can be obtained. He believes that it would
63 open the door for other problems if there is a deviation from the policy and what is
64 required in the ordinance. Doug Christiansen withdraws his motion. Garrick will
65 talk to the two property owners again to see if they understand everything and if
66 they have had any change in their thinking about allowing a purchase of their
67 property for the right of way.

68 North Sugar Factory Road Phase I is discussed. Garrick gives an update on the
69 project. He mentioned earlier in the meeting that there will be a pre-construction
70 meeting. The Contractor will bring a schedule to the meeting but Garrick has heard
71 that they want to start on the project the middle of June. Garrick states that they

72 have been working with Rocky Mountain power to move some poles, which has to
73 be done ahead of time. The Bridge Contractor, Carlisle Excavation, has some
74 irrigation lines and bridge demolition to finish. The Irrigation has to go in before
75 the road is done but the bridge can't be demolished until the road is done.
76 Commissioner Bartholomew asks about the high-pressure gas line. Garrick states
77 that it will not be moved but they will have someone there every day to watch and
78 make sure there are no problems. Garrick states he has had discussion with
79 Gunnison Telephone and Centra Com and once things are roughed in, they will
80 come and put in their new lines.

81 Road Supervisor Tom Seeley is requesting additional funding for the Washout
82 Building that is being constructed on the Road Department property. The building
83 is two bays, one to wash the trucks and the other to service the trucks. Line item
84 31 in the budget is the amount the board had budgeted to help with this project.
85 The amount is \$100,000.00. In order from Tom to complete the building, he will
86 have to cut down on his county road projects and maintenance. He is asking the
87 board for an additional \$800,000.00 for a total of \$900,000.00. The total cost of the
88 building is \$1,700,000.00. Tom discusses the need for the building. Water has been
89 draining across the road to the west on the neighboring property. He explains that it
90 is difficult with the current circumstances and the trucks have to be washed every
91 time they use them. Tom believes that this will save the County money as it will
92 limit liability and negate problems with EPA compliance and the possibility of a
93 fine. The building is almost complete. They anticipated taking the funds to pay for
94 it from SSD#3 until the flood happened at the mine and funds were stopped. Doug
95 asks about why the Commission is not funding this. Commissioner Bartholomew
96 states that they have put a lot of funding into the road department budget to buy
97 equipment the past couple of years. The equipment has been used on some of this

98 board's projects. Doug Christiansen asks Commissioner if the County is our
99 guarantor if we don't have the funds to meet our obligations. Commissioner
100 Bartholomew states that they would have to be. Doug asks what our current
101 ongoing obligations are. North Sugar Road is not financed by loans and is paid
102 through grants so there will be no ongoing financial obligation for that project.
103 The board has an ongoing payment for the Gravel Pit Road in the amount of
104 \$43,000.00. There is \$86,000 left to pay this loan off. There is a new ongoing
105 payment in the amount of \$110,000.00 per year for Moroni T Road. The board has
106 approximately 1,600,000.00 in debt and approximately 2,100,000.00 that is
107 unobligated. The board would have roughly \$500,000.00 that they could use.
108 Doug believes our first obligation is to keep the board solvent. Ben is concerned
109 about what our future funds might be. Robert Staker asks about what we believe
110 our income would be for next year. No one is certain but we should get at least
111 \$400,000.00. The project will be complete in a month and the money due for the
112 project. In the budget line item#30, the board approved \$160,000.00 for a project
113 with the Road Department to work on water crossings which could be used for the
114 building. The board budgeted \$100,000.00 to contribute to the building cost. An
115 additional \$500,000 could come from the unobligated funds. The board would still
116 have sufficient funds to pay off loans which do not have to be paid in full at this
117 time. Doug suggests giving \$500,00.00 and \$160,000.00 which would be a total of
118 \$660,000.00. Doug asks if the Commission could come up with the rest and
119 Commissioner Bartholomew explains that the County does not have the funds. At
120 conclusion of the discussion, motion is made by Doug Christiansen to pay Sanpete
121 County a total of \$760,000.00 for the washout building currently being constructed
122 by using \$500,000.00 from unobligated funds, \$160,000.00 from the budget
123 planned for water crossings and the \$100,000.00 budgeted to contribute this year to
124 the building. Motion is seconded Robert Staker and the motion passes.

125 With no further business before the board, the motion to adjourn the meeting is
126 made by Ben Black and the motion passes. The motion is seconded by Doug
127 Christiansen the motion passes.

128 Meeting is adjourned