

COMMISSION MINUTES

June 8, 2015

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this eighth day of June, 2015. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Gary Mason, Gordon Topham, and Garth 'Tooter' Ogden in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall and Executive Director Malcolm Nash were also present.

Commission Business:

Commissioner Ogden reported that they are starting the demolition on the old Richfield High School, and would be bringing a lot of debris to the Landfill.

Commissioner Topham reported on some upgrades that the Parsons Family is doing with their local channels, including adding another channel for this area.

Executive Director Malcolm Nash then discussed with the Commissioners working with Cornell Christensen, a consultant, to help with the public lands issues, noting that a contract would be placed on the next agenda for consideration.

Minutes for May 26th Commission meeting approved:

Minutes of the May 26th Commission meeting were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Mason, second Commissioner Ogden, unanimous.

Claims approved:

Claims for the month of May were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Topham, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

2015 Tax Sale results approved:

Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall then reviewed the new bidding process and results of the recent tax sale. Discussion followed concerning the results, and that one small property was struck off to the County. After review and discussion, Commissioner Mason moved to approve the Tax Sale and authorize the Tax Deeds to be executed, second Commissioner Topham, unanimous.

Resolution 2015-6-1 adopted to support those entering jail with mental illnesses:

The Commission then reviewed Resolution 2015-6-1 establishing support for a program to better deal with people now entering our jail with mental illness and substance disorders, the Stepping Up Initiative. Discussion followed concerning the resolution and its goal to help mental illness with those people who are currently in the jail to keep them from coming back to jail and to support the National Stepping Up Initiative, and that this is being considered on a state and national level to help those with mental issues get a little more help. After review and discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to adopt Resolution 2015-6-1, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

Surplus property sold to highest bidder:

Bids for property serial number 5-107-17 were then opened and reviewed. There were three bids received, which included: Phillip Burr for \$6,100, Carl Torgerson for \$5,000, and Adam and MaLesa McKinlay for \$10,000. After discussion and review of the bids, Commissioner Mason moved to accept and award the bid to the highest bidder, Adam and MaLesa McKinlay, for the amount of \$10,000 with the understanding that the County was reserving mineral rights, second Commissioner Topham, unanimous.

County receives dividend from Worker's Compensation Fund:

Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall then noted that Sevier County had received a dividend from the Worker's Compensation Fund, which resulted in a return of 6% of our 2014 Premium. The Commissioners were appreciative of the dividend.

Commissioner Topham named representative for NACo meeting:

The Commission reviewed the information requesting appointment of a representative of the County to vote at the NACo conference. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to designate himself as the County delegate to vote at the NACo convention as he will be attending that in July for the County, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

Contract with Broken Heart Rodeo Company approved:

The Commissioners then reviewed a contract with the Broken Heart Rodeo Company to do the rodeo during the Sevier County Fair. It was indicated that their offer before was for a three year contract; however, the Commissioners said they would only consider a one-year contract. Discussion followed concerning the new contract amount of \$12,000 plus \$1,600 for added money, and whether or not \$1 million dollars liability insurance, spectator insurance, was adequate, and whether or not that amount needed to be increased. After discussion and review, Commissioner Topham moved to vacate the old contract because of the move from three years to one year and approve the new contract, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

Contracts for County Health Insurance signed:

HR Director LeighAnn Wheeler then met with the Commissioners indicating she had finally received the new contracts with Select Health. There were three contracts: One for Select Med, One for Select Care, and one for Select HSA (the high deductible plan). She noted that the County has been operating under these since the first of the year. After discussion, Commissioner Mason moved to approve the contracts, second Commissioner Topham, unanimous.

New hires approved for Weed and EMS Departments:

Ms. Wheeler then reported on new hires including Chesley Gale and Justus Clark in the Weed Department. She said that both of them had worked for Sevier County before and were certified sprayers; and that the money is budgeted already for the positions and there would also be money coming from grant funds for additional hours. After discussion, Commissioner Mason moved to approve the new hires, part-time, at will, as recommended, at a fee of \$11.80 per hour beginning May 20, 2015, second Commissioner Topham, unanimous.

Ms. Wheeler then reported the new EMT's that have been hired including Omar Issa, who is an advanced EMT at \$12 per hour on April 25, 2015; and Elizabeth Stevens, Patricia Mumford, Stacy Kleen, Shannon Cote and Shelby Syddell hired on May 20, 2015 at \$11 per hour. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the new EMT's as recommended effective on the dates specified, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

Entertainment Contracts approved for County Fair:

Events Coordinator Paula Martin then discussed with the Commission contracts for the Fair. The Jerry Breeden Ventriloquist Show at \$2,200, a Cowboy and Western show at \$750, and One Brick Shy at \$700. After discussion, Commissioner Mason moved to approve the contracts for entertainment at the Fair as recommended, second Commissioner Topham, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.