

MINUTES  
OF THE KANE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
Aug 27, 2019  
IN THE KANE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS,  
76 NORTH MAIN, KANAB, UTAH

Present: Chairman Lamont Smith, Commissioner Andy Gant, Commissioner Brent Chamberlain, Attorney Rob Van Dyke, Clerk/Auditor Karla Johnson excused, Deputy Clerk Auditor Tanya Meeks.

Also Present: Budget Officer John Livingston, Care & Share Craig Hansen, GIS Lou Pratt, Commissioner Assistant Kresta Blomquist, Treasurer Kevin Blomquist, P&Z Shannon McBride, Ade' Nelson, Wendy Allan, Rhonda Gant, Chief Deputy Sheriff Alan Alldredge, Kelly Stowell, Camille Taylor, Assessor Ryan Maddux.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Commissioner Lamont Smith

**INVOCATION:** Attorney Van Dyke

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Commission Gant

**WELCOME:** Commissioner Lamont Smith

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Three (3) Minute Time Limit per Speaker for Public Comment.

Kelly Stowell, this is just for information: Tomorrow, at 11:30 to 12:30 at the Jacob Hamblin Park, Spencer Cox who is running for Governor will be visiting. His campaign is doing a free event to the public.

We will also be visited by all of the other candidates leading up to the elections next year. So get to know your candidates.

## CONSENT AGENDA:

Check Edit Reports: Approval of the Commission Minutes for August 13, 2019

**Motion** to approve the Check Edit Report and the Commission Meeting Minutes for August 13, 2019 made by Commissioner Chamberlain and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

## REGULAR SESSION

1. Recognition of Retiring P & Z Board member, Dale Clarkson / Shannon McBride

Commissioner Smith said that Dale Clarkson has done more for this county in the years he has served.

Shannon McBride said has been serving on our P & Z Board for 9 years and it has all been volunteered. We thank him for all the time and effort he has put in. In that nine years we have revised every single chapter in the land use ordinance.

2. Approval of Ordinance O-2019-19 an Ordinance for vacating two (2) 7.5 foot Utility Easements, on behalf of Milton & Kim R. Theodore, in the Mirror Lake Subdivision, Plat A Lots 35 & 36, becoming New Lot 36 / Shannon McBride

This is just a lot joiner and the reason that it has to come before the Commissioners because we have vacated two public utility easement. Everything is in order. To vacate a public utility easement they have to get termination agreements from Garkane, South Central and the Water Conservancy District and it requires an ordinance to vacate that.

**Motion** to approve Ordinance # O-2019-19 vacating two 7.5 foot Utility Easement made by Commissioner Gant and motion carried with all a roll call vote. Commissioners present voting in favor.

3. Approval of Resolution R-2019-16 for Proposed revisions to the Conditional Use Permit Application Fee and Zone Change Application fee / Shannon McBride

Proposing to revise the Conditional Use Permit Application Fee and the Zone Change Application fees, which requires a resolution.

The reason we are asking to up these fees is because we have had a lot of Conditional Use Permits in the last couple of years since RV parks and Glamping grounds have become so popular, a lot of counties has actually done away with Conditional Use Permits and are encouraged to do so. The only issues we had was when we aloud these like under permitted they were going in and putting in the whole Glamping Ground or RV Park and not notifying us and going through the process. So we really need to keep the Conditional Use Permits but we are going over on our engineering fees every time and it was \$500. I have yet to have one stay under the \$500 amount. So we have asked to up the CUP fee up to a \$1,000. We will still have the statement that if it goes over that amount we can go back and ask for additional fees but it doesn't take the full amount we can reimburse the applicant.

On Zone changes, which are currently \$250 and an additional \$100 for a mailing fee. We are going to eliminate the \$100 mailing fee and just making it one fee of \$350. There will be no net impact on the public.

Planning and Zoning has recommended it so that's why it has to come before the Commissioners.

**Motion** to approve Resolution # R-2019-16 revisions to Conditional Use Permit Application fees made by Commissioner Gant and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

4. Update for Zion Mountain Local Service District / Commissioner Chamberlain (Discussion is actually about the East Zion imitative that covers the.)

We had this discussion at our meeting last week

The process is moving forward starting mid spring on the lodge and we should have drawings for the visitor Center. The County is working on a CIB loan hopefully at 2.5% but may be up to 4%.

Karla & I have talked about having a discussion with the public meeting to let the public know what is going to happen with this project.

We can do this without the public approval but we would like them informed. This would be a meeting of the RDA. Question and answers.

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We need to set a date and be able to get all the people involved together.

The Counties interest is to help the number of visitors that visit the park from the east side.

We are working on a shuttle service for the park.

All groups have to come together or it will not work.

Clean Air Cities has been involved. They are getting the grant for us. The project should start soon.

There was more discussion of charging stations at the Kanab Center. The cost of that will be an off set for the some of the grant.

Glen Parrent had a question about the charging stations and the shuttle service.

Commissioner Chamberlain respond to his question and also said there may be a transit station at Mt. Carmel Junction. They will be electric shuttles.

The body of the shuttle Buses will be designed for use in the park tunnel and if the charging station is put in at the Kanab Center. Grants are easier for electric shuttles.

Chamberlain will write an article fort the paper and explaining what is going to be happening.

Smith said if we could have a shuttle that connects all the parks. So we could expand.

##### 5. ITS General Update and Security Plan / Dave Owens

Dave said he wanted to talk about a security plan but as he did, he wanted to give an update where IT has been this year.

They started with the Jail Remodel and as they did that last November and December, we decided we needed to update the cameras out there. They brought all the stuff up to high definition and we added the ability to put the rest of building on that same system.

They bought over a 140 cameras and they have replace over 100 out there. They have replaced all the cameras at the Search and Rescue building, upgraded them to HD, added more camera's to Travel Council. They have been working on building A and C at the Kanab Center but building B is hard to get into there right now.

They will be moving to the other buildings. What they would like to see is cameras at entrances and public counters and at least one camera in each office. Where ever there could be an interaction with the public good or bad that needs to be recorded.

These cameras will be recording not someone watching monitors like at the dispatch center.

Last year we went over to the North Event Center and put 16 cameras in because they were having problems over there. Then about 6 months ago, we went and used those cameras to solve one of the problems.

They have been up to the new Children's Justice Center, and put in the fiber conduit and working with Ray Brothers and South Central.

They have one of the radio technicians coming tomorrow they are going to get the rest of their 800 channels recorded because all those channels are based in Salt Lake you can't just record them the way we have for years.

They have also entered into a Cooperative Agreement with the homeowners association at Deer Springs. IT is allowing them on our little block building up at the Vermillion TV Hill. They are getting a signal from South Central and then under their own power they are shooting it to Dear Springs. .

We have seen a enough public safety benefit to the Citizens of Kane County, because they will give us access to all their cameras and will provide a hot spot for our employees when they are up at Deer Springs.

Thank you to Dave for all his hard work.

6. Approval of Hiring of a Building Inspector to fill a Vacating position / Ryan Maddox  
Ryan said that Barbara Hansen is retiring about March or April of next year and so we are just looking to replace her position as building Inspector. We do need a little time to get another person trained and hopefully have time to get their residential license if they don't have it at the time of hiring and then they can work on their commercial license. There are certain certification that they will need. We are looking at hiring the 1<sup>st</sup> of October and that will give them about six months for training before Barbara leaves. In 2017 permits were 138 total, in 2018 we issued 189 total, and as of yesterday we had 129 for 2019 which is on track to be what they were last year.

We have a contract with Kanab City and the money that we bring in for performing the inspection serves. Last year in 2018 we brought in just over \$58,000 for inspection fees and as of right now in 2019 we have collected just over \$35,000 and if it keeps continuing that way it will be slightly over what we brought in last year.

Commissioner Chamberlain said that this has been great for the City because they used to struggle getting someone to do inspections and they usually had to get someone from St. George. So this has been good for the City and the County.

**Motion** to approve the hiring of a building inspector to fill the upcoming vacancy position for the dollar amount that will be determined during the upcoming budget opening made by Commissioner Chamberlain and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

7. Creation of Budget Fund/Line item for the Transportation System for East Zion Initiative / Commissioner Chamberlain

After discussion, the Commission supported John as to creating a new fund for the shuttle service with line item that match the Grant – and also lines for the rest of the project.

Chamberlain will write an article for the paper and explaining what is going to be happening.

**Other Business:**

- Reports

Commissioner Smith met with Commissioner Mike Dalton from Beaver County and talked about the road we are going to have to refinish in Alton. Commissioner Smith asked him about a CIB grant. He said there wouldn't be any problem getting that grant because we will be a mineral producing county.

We need to get it in the next payout, which is in October deadline

Commissioner Gant said he is working on money for the bridge. Bret dug test hole for the engineers to find bedrock.

We are working on some money from the Federal Lands Access Program which improves transportation facility owned or maintained by nonfederal agents which will provide access to or adjacent to federal lands. Typically Parks, Forest, BLM or USCE lands. So this is right on for federal money. Goals to improve transportation facility's to



provide access to federal lands "high use" federal recreational areas. Lou and Ade' will be working on the FLAP (Federal Lands Access Program) project. They will reimburse for project already completed. No time line as of yet.

Chamberlain's handed out an agenda for the tour tomorrow with Spencer Cox. We will be starting at the Kanab City Chamber offices. There will be lite snacks for those that chose to participate from 12:30 to 1:30. This is an Economic Diversification or Economic Development tour, it includes go Ed people and others from the state. We will be talking Agricultural, Farm to table, potential opportunities then a tour of the town. What we are trying to show them is infrastructure, the hospital, the city park, the amenities and show them that this a great place to live. Then we meet back up at 4:00 and talk about IT tech stuff. Show them what is available in the community. We are trying to empress upon these people that are not from the area what a great place this is and the standard of life, and all the amenities around. We will drive through Best Friends, ATV tour out to Peek-a-Boo and then end up out at Zion Mountain Ranch. Any are welcome to participate.

October 3rd & 4th we are bring down a group of people from silicon slopes. The business alliance is coming down also for a similar tour.

Western Legends was a great success. Needed more parking and handicap access. Need more traffic control. September the 10<sup>th</sup> we will be discussing and addressing the needs of the Kaneplex. One of those needs is entrance and exiting.

Camille said she has extra money in her restraint tax & TRCC fund for the Kaneplex and we do need more man power.

Attorney Van Dyke reported on the Children's Justice Center. They are in four weeks and they are on track for the schedule.

- Financial Policy and Internal Controls

John gave us an update on the finance. Looked at cash balances and looked at annual grants.

This report is good for the July months end.

John gave a summary of the Kanab Center accounting. We hope we will have a final amount at the meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup> for September. Building C looks to be complete at the end of September

September 10<sup>th</sup> we will have a budget opening this will be opening #2.

We need to have Stonehenge on the next Commission Meeting

Ade' has stepped into the position of the Resource planner for the county.

She gave an update on meetings that she has been attending.

One was on self-funding hospitals that are public.

In May, the Secretary of AG and the Governor of Utah signed a shared stewardship agreement that includes a commitment to perfect communities and water sheds by addressing catastrophic fire on Forest Service Land Systems.

There is a project called the Billingsley, which is a shared stewardship project located by Swains Creek which it has one of the head streams of the upper Sevier water sheds located in that area, so it fits with this shared stewardship idea. This project encompasses 663 acres of land.

Southern Utah news will run an article about the project.

Brian Bremner and Ade' attended a meeting with the Forest Service and the State Forestry Land. Hoping the state would step in to help.

This is a creative project on cleaning of the forests and the Forest service is seeing that we can work together

Ade' met with Dixies NEPA team to get an update of our MTP 2009 that includes our Robinson Canyon issue. The did let me know that they received DC approval last week and at this time it is back in Angie's hands and she is going to meet with Chris Worley that is a Ranger for the Powell district. They are hoping to have that meeting complete on Friday of this week, which is the 30<sup>th</sup> to send to the federal register to start the process going and it is about a week to have it posted and then 45 day public comment period and they are hoping to have it close by mid-October.

The Vermillion cliff EA, so the Wave visitation update. The draft EA will be complete by early September followed by a 30 day comment period that is anticipated to start Sept 14. They will hold a public meeting in Kanab September 26<sup>th</sup>. The final draft of the EA will be put together and they will likely have a decision in November



The BLM is in the middle of redistricting. Currently there are four districts in the State of Utah for the BLM. Traditionally the Kanab Field Office has been running under the Supervision of the Color Country district, which is located in Cedar City. They provide our Wild Land Fire support and Law enforcement through BLM. The monument when it was created was never assigned to a district because there wasn't a local district in our area. So the monument has been a standalone monument reporting only to the State. Therefore, there hasn't been any body over seeing them. So BLM are creating a 5<sup>th</sup> district which will be called the Paria River District. It will encompass the Kanab Field Office and the Monument, in which the monument has three mini Monument units, the Kaparowits, Escalante Canyons and the Grand Stair Case. Then the People's Land that was taken out of the monument because of the proclamation which so that makes those four units, three that are under the direct Monument and then the Kanab Field Office will be under this district. This way the local people will have more to say to what is going on. In addition, the Monument will be able to work directly with the Kanab Field Office on issues that arise.

The final purposed plan for those Grand Stair Case units along with the KEPA Lands, the Resource Management Plan has been published on the Federal Register last Friday. There is a 30 day comment period on it, following that there will be the Governor Consistency Review.

The MAC committee, which is the Monument advisor committee: We submitted Commissioner Gants name, his name has made it to Washington and they are filing four positions. They are waiting for a couple of more applicants so they extended deadline.

The Red knoll Title 5 application, the draft DA is under administration review process. It currently with the Kanab Field Office, the State Office and the DC Office. So they going to review it administratively, take a look at the application, there is not a time line for when it will be published for public comment and they are waiting to hear from the State Office before anything can move.

**Motion** to go into recess for one hour and then come back for a Closed Session for litigation made by Commissioner Chamberlain and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

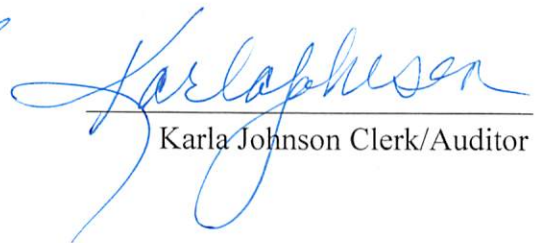
**Closed Session:**

**Motion** to adjourn made by Commissioner Chamberlain and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

**WHERE UPON MEETING WAS ADJOURNED**



Lamont Smith Chairman



Karla Johnson Clerk/Auditor