MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EMERY COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
HELD IN THE EMERY COUNTY COURTHOUSE

MAY 5, 2020

Due to restrictions in place during the COVID-19 Pandemic this meeting was conducted electronically. Present was Commission Chairman Lynn Sitterud, Commissioner Kent Wilson, Commissioner Gil Conover, Attorney Mike Olsen, Deputy Clerk/Auditor Carol Cox, elected officials and citizens.

CONSENT AGENDA

(1)
APPROVAL OF CHECK EDIT LIST, REQUISITIONS, AND DISPOSITIONS.

The Warrant Check Edit List # 254842 through and including #254930 was presented for payment.

Requisitions were presented for the following:

REQUISITION	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
38-20	(2) Computers Sheriff	$4,588.86
39-20	(2) Stealth 5 Tracking Device Sheriff	$1,790.00
40-20	Refrigerator/Freezer for Mobile Command Post Sheriff	$5,937.14
41-20	(1) Trijicon thermal Optics (3) Night Vision Equipment Sheriff	$21,449.88
42-20	(2) Variable Speed Rheem Furnace (2) 3 ton Rheem Air Conditioner (2) Stage Programmable Thermostats/Materials Road Department	$11,286.00

Dispositions: (5) umbrellas and a trash receptacle from EC Aquatic Center

(2)
APPROVAL OF THE APRIL 21, 2020 COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES.

(3)
APPROVAL TO HIRE GARRETT ROWLEY AS A SEASONAL LAWN CARE LABORER WORKING 29 HOURS PER WEEK. WAGE $14.00 PER HOUR.

(4)
APPROVAL TO REHIRE ERIK NIELSEN AS A SEASONAL WEED & MOSQUITO TECHNICIAN. WAGE $15.00 PER HOUR. WORKING 29 HOURS PER WEEK.

(5)
APPROVAL TO HIRE SETH BAANTJER AS A SEASONAL WEED & MOSQUITO TECHNICIAN. WAGE $13.50 PER HOUR. WORKING 29 HOURS PER WEEK.

(6)
APPROVAL TO HIRE THOMAS BEHLING AS A SEASONAL WEED & MOSQUITO TECHNICIAN. WAGE $13.50 PER HOUR. WORKING 29 HOURS PER WEEK.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda was made by Commissioner Kent Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Gil Conover, and the motion passed.

DISCUSSION AGENDA

(1)
ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA.

(2)
PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTE TIME LIMIT).

(3)
RATIFICATION OF THE 2020 SUMMER READING GRANT.

The deadline for the 2020 Summer Reading Grant was prior to this meeting. The grant was signed. This action needs to be ratified. Commissioner Gil Conover made a motion to ratify the signing of the 2020 Summer Reading Grant. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kent Wilson. The motion passed.

(4)

DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY CONTRACT AMENDMENT FOR A.S.S.E.T. PROGRAM (LSTA GRANT).

An Amendment for the A.S.S.E.T. Program will extend the program to begin in September for the 20/21 school year. Commissioner Gil Conover made a motion to approve Contract Amendment for A.S.S.E.T. Program (LSTA Grant). The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kent Wilson. The motion passed.

(5)
DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT L15pX01482 BETWEEN BLM AND EMERY COUNTY FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES.

Sheriff Funk requested this be tabled. Commissioner Gil Conover made a motion to table this for another meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kent Wilson. The motion passed.

(6)
DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY THE COUNTY'S MEDICAL, DENTAL, VISION INSURANCE RENEWAL FOR PLAN YEAR JULY 1, 2020 TO JUNE 30, 2021.

Jeff Kelsey reviewed the County's current insurance program(Meritain) and made suggestions for renewal. He talked about a possible shift for Emery County from being partially funded to fully funded. He explained that Emery County has been partially funded for a very long time. He explained that the risk is driving the change. He reviewed reinsurance options that are a result of a lot of research and an extensive bidding process. He recommended PEHP for Emery County's insurance carrier as they offer a locked in premium for multi-years. Commissioner Kent Wilson made a motion to switch from Meritain partially funded to PEHP fully funded for the new insurance period July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Gil Conover. The motion passed.

(7)
DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY ISM GRANT AMENDMENT FOR RUSSIAN OLIVE ERADICATION IN EMERY COUNTY'S RIPARIAN AREA.

The grant amendment will provide for more time to perform the contract. Commissioner Gil Conover made a motion to approve ISM Grant Amendment for Russian Olive Eradication in Emery County's Riparian Area. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kent Wilson. The motion passed.

(8)
DISCUSS/APPROVE/DENY RESOLUTION TO "PICK UP" TIER II PUBLIC SAFETY NEW

CONTRIBUTIONS EFFECTIVE 7-1-2020.

Personnel Director Mary Huntington explained that agencies of the State employ employees who are eligible for and participate as members in the New Public Safety and Firefighter Tier II Contributory Retirement System administered by the Utah Retirement Systems. In accordance with Federal and State Law, employers may take formal action to pick up required employee contributions, which will be paid by the employer in lieu of employee contributions. Emery County Commissioners are duly authorized to take this formal action on behalf of the county as a participating employer with the Utah Retirement Systems. Commissioner Gil Conover made a motion to adopt Resolution 5-5-2020 a resolution to "pick up" Tier II Public Safety New Contributions effective 7-1-2020. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Kent Wilson. The motion passed.

(9)
COMMISSION/ELECTED OFFICIALS REPORTS

Commissioner Wilson talked about SEUHD and the State of Utah's move from red to orange, loosening some safety standards. If the numbers stay the same, by May 15th, they may move to yellow. Emery, Duchesne and Uintah are the three counties most likely to move to yellow first. He advised everyone to continue to follow the State's guidelines for safety.

Captain Klye Ekker reminded everyone to not forget the sacrifices we have made thus far and to remain vigilant in efforts to remain protected.

Commissioner Conover and Commissioner Sitterud echoed the remarks made by Commissioner Wilson and Captain Ekker.

(10)
ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Commissioner Kent Wilson, seconded by Commissioner Gil Conover, and the motion passed.

ATTEST:_____ Commissioner:_____