

**RICH COUNTY COMMISSION
MINUTES
MAY 1, 2013**

The Rich County Commission Meeting was held on May 1, 2013 at the County Courthouse in Randolph, Utah beginning at 10:00 a.m. Those present were Chairman William E. Cox, Commissioner Norman A. Weston, Commissioner Thomas J. Weston and Clerk Rebecca Peart.

A motion was made by Tom Weston and seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to approve the May 1, 2013 agenda as presented with the addition of swearing in of Lou Jean Argyle and passing of the Sage Grouse Resolution.

Lou Jean M. Argyle was **sworn in as Rich County Treasurer** by clerk Rebecca Peart.

Les Johnson with the Bear Lake Rendezvous met with the Commission to update them on the upcoming event and inform them plans are proceeding. It is scheduled for August 22-25th. He stated they are a nonprofit organization. He requested the **permit fee** be waived. He said they will donate some of the proceeds to the County. A motion was made by Norm Weston to waive the permit fee on a one time basis because it is a nonprofit organization and it is the first year for the event. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

Kim Wilson Rich County Assessor met with the Commission to discuss personal property exemptions. Assessor Wilson presented **personal property** exemptions that she had received. The Commissioners reviewed each application. Norm Weston made a motion to approve the personal property exemptions as presented. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously approved.

Jason Eborn with Boy Scouts of America met with the Commission to discuss their **Bike Race** on August 16th and 17th. It will be the 7th year the race has been held. It is named Bike the Bear. Safety concerns were addressed. It is a 50 mile race. The Commissioners will not allow an out and back race with racers on both sides of the road at that time of the year. Mr. Eborn will review the dates and get back with the Commission.

Jennifer Parker Forest Service District Ranger and Kim Martin Forest Service Engineer met with the Commission to discuss plans and expansions to accommodate people stopping at their facilities. Mr. Martin presented a road agreement for the counties approval. Norm Weston made a motion to enter into a **Cooperative Forest Road Agreement** between Rich County and the United States Department of Agriculture, Forest Service Intermountain Region Uinta-Wasatch-Cache National Forest and allow the Chairman's signature on the agreement which will be in effect until May 2018. An annual schedule agreement was also signed. This will be a partnership for road construction and improvements on Old Highway, Richardson Fork 4X4 and Temple Canyon. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

Jon Nichol met with the Commission to discuss the landscaping around the Courthouse and rain gutters. He suggested putting a grate over the window well into the Deputy's Office and blocking off the other window wells. The rain gutters need to be repaired. He gave pricing. The Commission would like him to prepare bids for their review.

Scott Jacobson Rich County Sanitation Supervisor met with the Commission and presented bids for a **new overhead door** at the Landfill. The Commissioners reviewed the bids. Norm Weston made a motion to accept the bid from Deru's Glass Works in the amount of \$2768.56. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed. Scott will notify them and get the door replaced. Scott stated the new truck is in use and working well.

A motion was made by Norm Weston seconded by Tom Weston and unanimously passed to approve the Chairman's signature on the **Audit Engagement Letter with Ulrich & Associates, PC** in the amount of \$33,000- \$35,000 for preparing the County Audit for the year 2012.

Lou Jean Argyle Rich County Treasurer presented to the Commission appeal amounts from **Ruby Pipeline**. Rich County had received notice from the State Tax Commission that a Stipulation of Settlement had been approved. The total amount that County entities will refund are \$107,703.96. Rich County's amount to refund will be 26,847.12. Lou Jean also informed the Commission that Cardon Willis has overpaid his **taxes** on parcel # 36-36-00-008 and requested a refund. A motion was made by Norm Weston to allow the Treasurer to refund \$63.15 to Cardon Willis. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

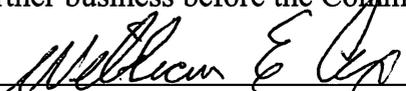
Resolution # 13-1 – That the County General Plan go through a formal amendment process to include more detailed provisions for managing the Greater Sage Grouse - was read by Commissioner William Cox and discussed. Norm Weston made a motion to adopt Resolution #13-1. Tom Weston seconded the motion and unanimously passed.

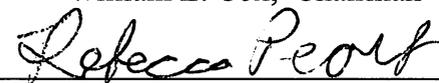
A motion was made by Tom Weston seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to Amend the motion of the April Commission minutes concerning the **Mills Canyon Fire**. The bill should be given to the Town of Laketown. Commissioner Tom Weston will deliver the Mills Canyon Fire bill to the Mayor of Laketown with an explanation.

Commissioner Norm Weston made a motion to approve the April 3, 2013 **Minutes** and the motion was seconded by Commissioner Tom Weston and unanimously approved.

A motion was made by Tom Weston, and seconded by Norm Weston and unanimously passed to approve the **CURRENT EXPENDITURES** as presented.

With no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned.

Approved: 
William E. Cox, Chairman

Attest: 
Rebecca Peart, Clerk