

**SOUTHEASTERN UTAH ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS**

**SEUALG Board Room**

**375 South Carbon Avenue, Price, UT 84501**

**August 25, 2022**

<b>MEMBERS PRESENT</b>	<b>STAFF</b>	<b>GUESTS</b>
Mayor Danny Van Wagoner Mayor Bayley Hedglin - virtual Mayor Joette Langianese -virtual Commissioner Tony Martines Commissioner Trish Hedin - virtual Commissioner Kent Wilson	Geri Gamber Petrea Oman Jade Powell LuEssa Averett Vikki Ori Tamara Dockstader	Patrick Mullen Clay Crozier - Senator Romney's Office Joel Brown - Senator Lee's Office Stuart Clason

**1. INFORMATION: CONGRESSIONAL, STATE, FEDERAL, STAFF AND GUEST INFORMATION/PRESENTATION**

Joel Brown stated that because the Senate is currently in recess, updates from the Senator's office will be minimal at this time. After the recent flash floods, Joel Brown and Clay Crozier took time to assess damages and assist in cleanup in Moab, Utah. Brown stated that the damage observed was extensive, including two broken water mains, damaged sewer lines, eroded creek beds, and mud/debris in local businesses along mainstreet. Brown stated that they also met with Mayor Joette Langianese and discussed possible state, federal, and/or FEMA funding that will contribute to the cleanup and restoration efforts in Moab. State and federal funding will be dependent on an evaluation of damages and approved by Governor Cox.

Clay Crozier reported that Congress has recently passed the Inflation Enhancement Act which includes a budget for climate change projects. This could translate to 'on the ground' funding for forest service and local BLM projects. More updates on this funding will be reported as they occur. Commissioner Kent Wilson stated that Emery County has experienced multiple fires on forest service land in recent years; the state has provided debris basins in these areas but does not provide maintenance for these basins. As a result, expenditures and responsibilities have been forced on the local governments and city councils who do not have the necessary resources to sustain the level of maintenance required. Wilson requested that maintenance budgets be considered when applying for future funding. Mayor Mike Kourianos and Mayor Danny Van Wagoner supported this suggestion and emphasized the impact that large expenditures like this have on small communities.

Tamara Dockstader offered her assistance in future grant applications to Mayor Joette Langianese.

**2. MOTION: CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. JULY 7, 2022 SEUALG BOARD MINUTES**
- b. MONTHLY EXPENSES**
- c. RATIFY VOTE: RESOLUTION TO CREATE MAIN STREET SOUTHEASTERN UTAH, INC**

- d. **RATIFY VOTE: TRIPARTITE BOARD MEETING**
- e. **UPDATES TO SEUALG PERSONNEL POLICIES & PROCEDURE MANUAL -TITLE 7, CHAPTER C**
- f. **ADDITION OF TITLE 7, CHAPTER I TO THE SEUALG PERSONNEL POLICIES & PROCEDURE MANUAL**
- g. **REMOVE MICHAEL BRYANT FROM AOG ZIONS ACCOUNT, REPLACE WITH JULIE ROSIER**
- h. **UPDATES TO WEATHERIZATION PROGRAM POLICIES & PROCEDURES TO INCLUDE VEHICLE SAFETY & LEAD SAFE PRACTICES**
- i. **SEUALG PERSONNEL POLICIES & PROCEDURES - STAND ALONE POLICY 1: JOB CLASSIFICATION INDEX UPDATE**
- j. **APPROVAL TO APPLY FOR CONTINUUM OF CARE SUPPLEMENTAL GRANT TO ADDRESS UNSHELTERED/RURAL HOMELESSNESS**

**A motion was made by Mayor Mike Kourianos to approve the consent agenda and was seconded by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner. The consent agenda items were unanimously approved.**

### **3. DISCUSSION/MOTION: PUBLIC HEARING**

**A motion was made by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner to move into a public hearing and was seconded by Jerry McNeely. The motion was unanimously approved.**

Tamara Dockstader provided updates on the proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) rating and ranking policies for program year 2023. The rating and ranking committee meets annually to assess which municipal projects will move forward and how best to establish them. This is an advisory committee to the Executive Board and is composed of an individual from each city and county: Todd Thorne - Carbon County, Nick Tatton - Price City, Jeff Guyman - Emery County, Mayor Leonard Norton - Huntington City, Mack McDonald - San Juan County, and David Johnson - Blanding City Administrator. Grand County administrators are currently in transition and will be identified at the next meeting. Policies have been distributed to every city and county throughout the region via email and local post, we are currently awaiting public comment.

### **4. MOTION: AGENCY FINANCIALS**

Commissioner Wilson turned the time over to Petrea Oman to present the agency's financials. Oman reported that because of the end of the fiscal year, the fiscal office has been working towards renewing annual expenses. Oman stated that these expenses are outside the ordinary in comparison to past month's financial statements.

**A motion was made to approve the agency financials by Jerry McNeely and seconded by Mayor Mike Kourianos. The agency financials were unanimously approved.**

### **5. MOTION: NEW ACCOUNTING SOFTWARE - PELORUS**

Petrea Oman provided more information on the proposed new accounting software, Pelorus for future purchases and ongoing fees. Per the agency accountants' suggestion, we have been advised to adopt a new accounting software, Pelorus. Oman is currently in the process of negotiations and discussions with Pelorus in regards to addressing our specific needs and budget, as well as the

logistics and capability of transferring data. A rough quote estimate was negotiated down from \$15,000.00 to \$10,000.00, which includes setup and all required training to move forward.

**A motion was made to approve the \$10,000.00 quote from Pelorus by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner and seconded by Jerry McNeely. The \$10,000.00 quote from Pelorus was unanimously approved.**

#### **6. MOTION: CLOSE PUBLIC MEETING & RESUME PRIVATE SESSION**

**A motion was made by Jerry McNeely to close the public hearing and resume private session and was seconded by Mayor Mike Kourianos. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **7. MOTION: JULIE ROSIER AS EQUITY & COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR FOR SEUALG**

Geri Gamber requested board approval and support for a fourth member of the Executive Team, introducing Julie Rosier as the new Equity & Community Services Director for SEUALG. Personnel policies & procedures will be updated to outline the new executive team and its corresponding positions.

**A motion was made by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner to approve Julie Rosier as Equity & Community Services Director and was seconded by Jerry McNeely. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **8. MOTION: BIRCH ELECTRIC TO PERFORM WORK ON WEATHERIZATION UNITS**

Jade Powell reported on and provided copies of the quotes from both Birch Electric and Kay Electric for two weatherization units in need of repairs. Per Weatherization policy, we cannot perform any energy efficiency repairs if faulty wiring is observed. Upon comparison, Birch Electric proved to be the most efficient and cost effective option for these repairs. There are existing funds within the Weatherization budget to accommodate these expenses. Commissioner Kent Wilson asked for clarification on the multiple bids presented. Jade Powell confirmed that there are two bids for each electric company because there are two jobs that need to be completed within weatherization.

**A motion was made by Jerry McNeely to approve the quote provided by Birch Electric and was seconded by Mayor Mike Kourianos. The motion was unanimously approved.**

#### **9. UPDATE: USDA HOUSING PROGRAM**

Vikki Ori presented updates regarding the USDA Mutual Self-Help Ground-Up Construction program. Group 1 has a move-in date as soon as one week. Participants are grateful and excited about the progress that has been made.

Five applications have been submitted and are awaiting approval from USDA for Group 2 participants.

## **10. MOTION: APPROVAL OF CDBG RATING AND RANKING POLICIES**

**A motion was made to approve the CDBG Rating and Ranking Policies for Program Year 2023 as presented by Tamara Dockstader. The motion was made by Mayor Danny VanWagoner and seconded by Mayor Bayley Hedglin. The motion was unanimously approved.**

## **11. MOTION: SINGLE FAMILY HOUSING REHAB PROJECTS**

Tamara Dockstader presented the clients to be approved for the Single Family Housing Rehab program. All presented clients meet eligibility criteria and income requirements.

The first client is an 83 year old male located in Price, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$5,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The second client is a 58 year old male located in East Carbon, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$5,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The third client is a 72 year old female located in Huntington, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$15,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The fourth client is a 62 year old female located in Price, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$15,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The fifth client is a 62 year old female located in Elmo, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$15,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The sixth client is a 68 year old female located in Price, UT with a request for a CDBG grant of \$5,000 with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

The third client is a 78 year old male located in Price, UT with a request for a CDBG grant with the remaining balance as an Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund.

**A motion was made to approve the Single Family Housing Rehab clients as presented by Tamara Dockstader. The motion was made by Jerry McNeely and seconded by Mayor Bayley Hedglin. The motion was unanimously approved.**

## **12. MOTION: CIB APPLICATIONS FROM SEUALG REGION**

These projects have already been presented; approval has been scheduled for October 6, 2022.

- Blanding City - Wellness Center Fire Suppression & Shower Retrofit
- Emery County - SITLA Road Easement
- Emery County Fire District - Fire Truck Replacement Project
- Ferron City - Adventure Hub

**A motion was made to approve the four project applications as presented by Tamara Dockstader. The motion was made by Jerry McNeely and seconded by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner. The motion was unanimously approved.**

**13. UPDATE: UTAH ASSOCIATION OF COUNTIES**

There was no updates to report on the Utah Association of Counties

**14. OTHER BUSINESS**

There was no further business to discuss.

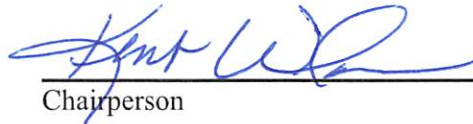
**15. MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**A motion was made to adjourn by Jerry McNeely and seconded by Mayor Danny Van Wagoner. The board meeting was adjourned.**



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