

Minutes of the Meeting of the Daggett County Commission and the Daggett County Redevelopment Agency held on **Tuesday, April 25, 2023** in the Commission Chambers in the Daggett County Courthouse at 95 North 1st West in Manila, Utah and through electronic means. Commissioners Randy Asay, Jack Lytle and Matt Tippetts attended in person. Attorney Kent Snider attended virtually. Clerk Brian Raymond, Auditor Keri Pallesen and Sheriff Erik Bailey attended in person. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 am by Commissioner Matt Tippetts. The invocation was given by Commissioner Randy Asay and then Commissioner Matt Tippetts led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present In Person: Peggy White, Bret Reynolds of CIVCO Engineering, Aaron Averett of Sunrise Engineering, Lincoln and Julia Berthold, Leann Hunting, Kelly Pehrson and Commissioner Craig Buttars of the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food

Present Online or by Phone: Martin Pierce of Jones and DeMille Engineering, Christian Colovich

Motion to Go In and Out of Redevelopment Agency (RDA): Commissioner Asay motioned to go in and out of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Lytle seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Approve Minutes: The minutes from Tuesday, April 18, 2023 were available for review. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the minutes for the Tuesday, April 18, 2023 Daggett County Commission Meeting and RDA Meeting as written. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Issues Updates: Commissioner Lytle said he had a call from Christian Colovich, he was wondering where things were at. Tomorrow night the Town Council may approve the plat. They are unclear of the fee they should be charging and Commissioner Lytle said that whatever the costs they need to recover would be appropriate. Commissioner Lytle hasn't heard anything official about the new land request from the Department of Natural Resources yet.

Martin Pierce said that they got the conceptual plan for the water treatment subdivision passed through planning and zoning and he will add the verbiage. Commissioner Lytle asked about the plat being approved and asked Martin to get with Kent Snider to get that language before the Town Council on Wednesday. He hasn't seen it yet and Wednesday is tomorrow, so if he gets it at a reasonable time today then he can get it done before tomorrow, but if not it will probably not get done in time. Christian Colovich said he might be heading that way tomorrow and Bret Reynolds also said he might be able to help if needed. Commissioner Tippetts said we will circle back around when Kent Snider gets back on the meeting.

Sheriff Bailey said the meeting with Sweetwater County went well last week. The new agreement will allow us to go out to mile marker 30, which is across the lake from Brinegar's Crossing. It's about 5 miles south of County 1. They also talked about Hwy 191 and the weather issues. We had a good turnout and Castle Rock is now willing to work with us. Commissioner Tippetts said it went well and the outcome was what it should be. The Sheriff went to the Sheriff's meeting in Vernal a couple of weeks ago and there was a little discussion about the new law that requires the Sheriff's to be involved with the schools on safety. The new legislation goes into effect July 1st and he met with School Board Chairman, Chelsy Lail and had a good conversation. The legislation had an officer being in each school, but there was no funding and so that was dropped, but it may be something that comes about in the future.

Bret Reynolds said that the Fire and EMS District has a meeting for tomorrow night. They will discuss that the County will continue providing EMS services and they hope to approve the agreement at the meeting. It then will be passed on to the County and Town of Manila when they join the district. Commissioner Tippetts passed along the Commission's thanks for their efforts. Bret said that the Board will go to a five member board and the extra member will be at large and will go to the Dutch John area if and when they join. They are still sorting out all the election items. Commissioner Asay said that the District needs to communicate to Dutch John that this board member position will be theirs.

Bret Reynolds said they have issued the Notice to Proceed for the Dutch John project and they will be starting in the middle of June. They will have to plan for the Success in Education event in September. Hopefully everything will be done, but if not they will work with them.

Commissioner Asay mentioned the meeting with the Hospital and Northeast Counseling. They had some input on the size and shape that would work for them. No checks were handed over, but the conversation went well. The legislature should be able to come up with funding for the building since there has been lots of money spent in other areas of the State. The bill for last month was \$20,000 and the PA has tendered his resignation, so there will need to be a new one found. Urgent Care was discussed and having it open more, so a lot of ideas were discussed and there was a lot of willingness to be involved and find solutions. Commissioner Asay was thanked for his efforts. The Hospital, Northeast Counseling and TriCounty Health were all supportive and thought it was a good idea and recognized the needs we have.

Commissioner Tippetts said he spoke with James Olsen and upsized the culvert for Linwood Lane to a 5' pipe and felt like that would be sufficient. Adding some build up to hold some water and not wash it out. Commissioner Lytle asked about the box culverts that may have been sold to the Duchesne Rd District as they were no longer going to be used. Willow Creek could have used them as they had some flash flooding.

There were no code enforcement items, but Brian Raymond said there is a Board of Adjustments meeting notice in the packet for May 9th at 1 pm.

Citizen Comments: Sheriff Bailey said he got a check from Bancorp for the Trucks sold and it was \$5000. He wanted to use that towards the purchase of another radar. He was urged to work with Keri Pallesen and he said he would.

Cash Summary And Aging Report Review: The Cash Summary Reports and Aging Report were provided by the Recorder/Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the receipt of the Cash Summary report for April 21, 2023 for all bank accounts and the aging report, which shows a balance of \$1,260.00. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion.

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			

Commissioner Lytle: X
Commissioner Asay: X

The motion carried.

Issues Updates (Cont'd): Commissioner Tippetts asked Attorney Kent Snider if he could get with Dennis Judd on the language. Kent will send the language to Martin Pierce and contact Dennis to let him know, they will send it as it is, if they don't hear from him. There was a question as to whether Martin should take it up and attend in case there are questions. Martin could email an electronic copy and get a hard copy to the meeting as they hold an administrative meeting before the Town Council meeting. Commissioner Tippetts thought we should err on the side of overkill and have someone there to answer any questions. Commissioner Asay wasn't sure if it was necessary to have him there, but was willing if it was needed. In person, it is always better, and might help it get wrapped up quickly. Kent was asked if he could attend virtually and he said he could do that. Commissioner Lytle said he thought it was already on the agenda. Christian Colovich said they might be flying over there tomorrow. The rates are supposed to be based on their expenses, not on the size of the project, so the payment would be conditioned on their generating an appropriate bill. The idea is to get them a mylar with the amended language for them to approve tomorrow night. Martin said he would do it.

Approve Open Invoice Register: The Open Invoice Register was provided by the Auditor's Office. The register includes the annual bill for the BOR for 10,134 for delivery of water to the System. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Open Invoice Register for normal invoices as of April 24, 2023 in the amount of \$23,973.42. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Disbursement Listing: The Disbursement Listing was provided by the Auditor's Office for review. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Disbursement Listing for Zion's Bank checking dated April 13, 2023 to April 24, 2023 in the amount of \$151,889.90. Commissioner Lytle seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Purchase Request Approvals: There were no purchase requests to consider.

Correspondence: Commissioner Tippetts asked about the Colorado River meeting and they are hoping to have the Reservoir back to 6026' by next year. We are at 6008' at the moment. It's good news. The focus is the recovery of the water. Commissioner Lytle printed out the Indigent Defense sheet. Brian Raymond was asked to scan and send it to Kent Snider.

Commissioner Lytle said he had received an email from Guy Collett to promote the idea of the County joining Uintah County. The conversation could be had, but the Commissioners felt that the more local the government the better it works. It was thought that maybe they could be part of

Daggett County. They are great partners in our Tri County organizations. Commissioner Asay asked about Guy Collett’s support for the idea. The Ski resort has prompted some of the discussion. Some other things in the Greendale area could be privatized. Mr. Collett felt the larger resources of Uintah County could benefit Daggett County. Commissioner Tippetts had also been contacted, but Commissioner Asay had not been contacted. Kent Snider said that he could answer, I am sorry you feel that way.

Calendar: Commissioner Tippetts said there is a 1 pm meeting with Lori Haslem.

POLICY AND LEGISLATION:

Discussion And Consideration Of Completed Business Licenses For CSC (Sysco), Maxfield Construction, Moon Lake Electric Association, Cove Storage, B&D Real Estate Holdings, Mark Cole Fly Fishing, Dean “Jim” Cohen And Atwood Sportfishing: Commissioner Tippetts read though the list of business licenses. Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Business Licenses For CSC (Sysco), Maxfield Construction, Moon Lake Electric Association, Cove Storage, B&D Real Estate Holdings, Mark Cole Fly Fishing, Dean “Jim” Cohen, and Atwood Sportfishing as stated. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Trout Unlimited Single Event Permit For Local Consent Alcohol License For Single Fly Event August 10th & 11th, 2023: Commissioner Lytle asked if it were a single event permit or a Single Fly Event Permit. It was clarified that it was both.

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Trout Unlimited Single Event Permit For Local Consent Alcohol License for the Single Fly Event, which is August 10th & 11th, 2023. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Request (RFQ) For Qualifications For SR43 Pedestrian & Bike Path Design: Commissioner Tippetts stated this is starting the process of getting an engineer on board for the bike path project. The two engineers, Martin Pierce and Aaron Averett, thought three weeks would be sufficient for an RFQ. The due date for submittals would be the 16th of May at 9 am. Kent Snider was asked if he had a chance to review the RFQ and he had and other than the dates he thought it was perfect. Bret Reynolds asked how it would be advertised. It doesn’t really work to put it in the papers, but it should go on the public notice website. Aaron said it could be sent to State purchasing and it could also be sent to specific engineers. The firm selected would be negotiated with and if an agreement couldn’t be reached then, the next on the list would be negotiated with. Then three other engineers should be notified. Brian Raymond was asked to post it to the three locations and send out additional requests to engineering firms.

Commissioner Lytle motioned to approve the Request (RFQ) For Qualifications For SR43 Pedestrian & Bike Path Design as amended. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Closed Session: There was a need for a Closed session today. Commissioner Lytle motioned to go into Closed Session for the purpose of the possible purchase, exchange or lease of real property at 11:10 am. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Asay. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Randy Asay:	X			
Matt Tippetts:	X			
Jack Lytle:	X			

The motion carried and the meeting went into Closed session at 10:35 am.

Presentation By Commissioner Butters Of Utah Department Of Agriculture: The Commission came back into Open Session at 11:18 am. Commissioner Butters and his staff were welcomed and it was noted we haven't had too many visits in the past, so this is appreciated. They had a PowerPoint to show some of the programs they are working on. The Department is in a unique position as they promote agriculture and they also enforce regulations on agriculture. Benefits of Agriculture in Utah: Provides food, fiber and animal feed, Strengthens our local food security, creates rural jobs, conservation and open space preservation, it's a large economic driver for rural areas, and provides water and resources for wildlife. Commissioner Asay said growing up on a farm is great and it helps teach common sense. New programs include Ag Water optimization; Ag Stress Assistance Program gives a \$2,000 voucher for mental health care; Lee Ray McAllister Working Farm and Ranch Protection Fund allows for farmland conservation easements that help keep the heritage of farming alive; Utah Ag Takeaway: we need to recognize the importance of ag to our communities. Commissioner Tippetts asked what the Department can do for producers? One thing is to provide more direct marketing. Ann asked about sheep, but it was cattle Commissioner Tippetts was talking about. Kelly said Agri-tourism is growing and an area of increasing importance. The jail was brought up as a future processing place or the medical marijuana grow area due to its security.

Closed Session: There was a need for an additional Closed session for today. Commissioner Lytle motioned to go into Closed Session for the purpose of the possible purchase, exchange or lease of real property at 12:02 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Asay. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Jack Lytle:	X			
Randy Asay:	X			
Matt Tippetts:	X			

The motion carried and a short recess was taken before the meeting went into Closed session at 12:08 pm.

Commissioner Asay motioned to go back into Open Session at 1:34 pm. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Tippetts. A Roll Call Vote was taken:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Randy Asay:	X			
Matt Tippetts:	X			
Jack Lytle:				X

The motion carried.

With no further business the meeting was adjourned by acclamation by Commissioner Tippetts at 1:35 pm.

/s/ Matt Tippetts
Commissioner Matt Tippetts

/s/ Brian Raymond
Clerk/Brian Raymond

/s/ Randy Asay
Commissioner Randy Asay

/s/ Jack Lytle
Commissioner Jack Lytle