

Beaver County Commission Meeting
Beaver, UT 84713
July 5, 2022

The Board of County Commissioners met on July 5, 2022, at 10:00 a.m. for its regular Commission Meeting. Attending were: Commissioner, Tammy Pearson; Commissioner, Wade Hollingshead; Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor; Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary and Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

Comm. Whitney was excused from this meeting.

Comm. Hollingshead conducted the meeting this day.

Prayer was offered by Comm. Hollingshead.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary.

A standing motion was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead to accept the chair from Comm. Whitney, for voting purposes. Pursuant to the standing motion, the chair was passed back to Comm. Hollingshead throughout the voting process.

Review and Approve County Bills. Motion to approve County Bills was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Previous minutes were presented by Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor. With minor adjustments and edits, motion to authorize minutes was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, the vote was unanimous.

URS Contribution Rates. Present was Heidi Eyre, HR Director. Ms. Eyre spoke of a change made to the rates for Public Safety from 2.27% to 2.59% pickup contribution rate, as of this year's Legislative Session. A Resolution adopting these rates was prepared. Resolution 2022-02, A Resolution Amending the Utah Retirement Systems Tier 2 Public Safety & Fire Fighters Employer Pickup Elections. Motion to authorize signature on the Resolution 2022-02, A Resolution Amending the Utah Retirement Systems Tier 2 Public Safety & Fire Fighters Employer Pickup Elections, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Commission Updates. Comm. Pearson spoke of Crusher in the Tushar event scheduled for Saturday, July 9, 2022. The County will be occupying a booth at the registration of the Crusher in the Tushars. Comm. Pearson shared the dates of the State Legislative Tours, which will be July 13, to be held in Juab County. Comm. Pearson spoke of the 5th & 6th County Congressional Tour to be held the 15-17th of August. Comm. Pearson also spoke of a wild horse gather of the Sulphur Herd, to gain an appropriate herd size. Comm. Pearson reported on the Minersville Lake expansion project, which will include new restrooms, new pavilion, which includes the extension of the boat docks with the low water level. Comm. Hollingshead reported on the Fair dates for this year, which will be held August 25-27. It was reported that the Fairgrounds have received new bleacher that will be installed prior to the Fair. Comm. Hollingshead requested Ms. Laws to invite Mr. Brian Thiriott to the next Commission Meeting, he is the Executive Director of Five County Association of Government. Comm. Hollingshead reported on the Tourism Office activities that are coming up. Comm. Pearson reported on the Shared Stewardship Tour to be held August 11th.

Dominion Energy deep well location. Present was Kristi Hoffman, Dominion Energy. Ms. Hoffman was present to discuss a site location for a deep well to protect the steel pipeline from corrosion. Dominion Energy is looking to acquire an easement for the deep well drilling. The completion of this project should conclude by the end of 2022.

Beaver Forestry and Fire & SSD #1. Present were Jack Erwig, Craig Wright and Nick Schenck, Beaver Fire District #1. Fire District #1 is proposing the absorption of SSD #6's Fire Department, to increase the coverage and protection as well as increase the ISO rating for Elk Meadows Special Service District area. It was decided to research the options to improve the Fire Department with SSD #6 and explore the possibility of creating an MOU and contract the fire protection with Fire District #1. This will be research by the Attorney's Office and brought back before the Commission at a later date.

Motion to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; discuss strategy for pending or reasonably imminent litigation, real property negotiation, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous. Roll call vote Comm. Pearson "aye", Comm. Hollingshead "aye".

Closed session declared closed by Comm. Hollingshead.

Adjourned for lunch to celebrate Michelle Raddon's retirement. Lunch was provided by the Treasurer's Office.

Vistaworks. Present Was Michelle Evans, Vistaworks. Comm. Hollingshead discussed the Vistaworks contract and the current marketing being done with the Ramblers theme. Comm. Pearson shared her feelings with the past marketing approach. It was stated that TRT Funds can be used for this marketing. Ms. Evans cautioned the Commission on the constant branding change, and the lack of identifying brand with constant changes. Ms. Evans shared the newly launched Ramblers website and the information that can be found within the County.

Kimball & Roberts Acknowledgement Letter. Motion to authorize signature on the Independent Audit Acknowledge Letter was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Hollingshead, and the vote was made unanimous.

Smithfield Closure. Comm. Pearson reported on the progress that has taken place since the notice of closure has been reported. Comm. Pearson spoke of the conversations that have taken place with the Governor's cabinet. Ongoing conversations are taking place this week, with many members of the Smithfield leadership to assist with the options Beaver County will be facing with the closure of Smithfield Foods located outside of Milford, UT. Comm. Hollingshead commended the efforts Comm. Pearson and Comm. Whitney has done on Beaver County's behalf.

No further business was discussed meeting was adjourned.

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Clerk/Auditor
