

**MINUTES OF COMMISSION COMBINED WORKING SESSION AND REGULAR
SESSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 08, 2011, BEGINNING AT 1:00 P.M. IN
COMMISSON CHAMBERS, IN DUCHESNE, UTAH**

Present

Commission Chairman Kirk J. Wood, Commissioner Kent R. Peatross, Public Works Director Glen Murphy, Uintah Basin Medical Center CEO Brent Hales, Deputy Clerk Auditor Judy Mutton, Deputy Clerk Auditor Connie Sweat, Uintah Basin Standard Reporter Steve Puro, and Commission Assistant BobbiJo Casper taking minutes of the meeting.

Absent

Commissioner Ronald Winterton and Deputy County Attorney Jonathan Stearmer were on assignment elsewhere.

Opening Comments

Mr. Hales said the prayer. There were no other comments.

Pledge Of Allegiance

Any wishing to participate.

Consideration Of Payment Vouchers

The commission reviewed vouchers #118649 through #118723 dated August 08, 2011, in the amount of one hundred fifty two thousand five hundred seventy seven dollars and forty seven cents (\$152,577.47) as presented by Deputy Clerk Mutton. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the vouchers as presented by Deputy Clerk Mutton. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Public Works/Landfill Department Update

Director Murphy stated that the Road Department has the road by John Price ready for oil this fall and hopes this will control the dust. Last week there were flash floods in Nine Mile Canyon, Antelope Canyon, Sowers Canyon, and Sandwash; they are still cleaning all of these areas.

Consideration Of A Business License Application For Cocky Cowgirl Designs

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this company makes jewelry out of their home and plans on selling it at fairs and places like that. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of A Business License Application For H L Production Services LLC

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this has tanks that are held in Fort Duchesne, but has an office in Bluebell. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of A Business License Application For Newfield Production Company

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this business has had a Myton business license, but was told that they need a county license since they are not located within the city limits of Myton. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of A Business License Application For Precision Drilling Company (US)

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this is a contract drilling company out of Alberta Canada . *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of A Business License Application For The Sugar Daisy Boutique

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this is a retail sales business that will deliver to your home. They sell purses, wallets, and belts. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve*

the business license application as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Discussion Of Vantage Oil And Gas CE Project

County/Community Planning Administrator Mike Hyde joined the meeting at 10:02 A.M...

Administrator Hyde stated that the commission received a letter from Christy Groves who is the Roosevelt/Duchesne District Ranger for the Forest Service regarding Advantage Energy seeking permission from the Forest Service to drill and test three (3) new exploratory oil and gas wells in the Gilsonite Ridge area. Each well will disturb two and a half (2.5) acres of land. There will be 1.1 miles of road that will be upgraded and has drafted a letter for the commission to consider that would support the proposal. Commissioner Peatross proposed that this letter be authorized and sent out.

Discussion Of Newfield's MDP #6 Environmental Assessment

Administrator Hyde stated that this is south of the Newfield office about eight (8) miles. This proposes fourteen new oil wells from eight existing pads on twenty (20) acres of down hole spacing for directional drilling. Chairman Wood stated that they are good with both letters.

Administrator Hyde stated that we received a letter from the Forest Service in regards to the replacement for the Rhoades Canal diversion on the North Fork of the Duchesne River. The County Water Conservancy District is working with the canal company to replace the diversion with a new structure. This would repair the damages from the floods and would be a more sufficient way of getting the water into the canal without so many waists. This would also remove a barrier for migrating fish that is currently there with the existing structure and feels this is a win-win project. Comments are due on August 17, 2011. Chairman Wood asked how this was going to be funded and suggested that Administrator Hyde contact Randy Crozier about getting funding from Trout Unlimited. Administrator Hyde rejoined the meeting at 1:54 p.m. after contacting Mr. Crozier and stated that this is part of Central Utah project and is under the Completion Act and that is administered by the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission. Mr. Crozier did attempt to bring in funding from Division of Wildlife Services, Trout Unlimited, Fish and Wildlife Services; however none of them stepped forward with any funding, so this will all be funded through CUP.

Consideration Of Predator Control Contract – Fiscal Year 2012

Assistant Casper stated that the amount remains that same as it has been in the past of five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00); the state will reimburse the county two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00). *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the predator control contract as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of Resolution No. 11-08, A Resolution Dealing With The Disposition Of The Dr. Larsen Memorial Fund

Commissioner Peatross stated that he spoke to Attorney Stearmer this morning who was going to prepare a resolution to give it to the Uintah Basin Foundation, but he was unable to get it done. The resolution would say in light of the request from the foundation and as to example "A" of the foundation and the purpose and the way they are going to use the money, Duchesne County is going to allocate the money to them. Exhibit "A" would be how the foundation is going to allocate the money. His recollection of the money was originally it was given to the county from Dr. Larsen to help children with dental needs. As long as we have a letter or some guidelines of how they are going to use the funds, we can issue them as to the guidelines. It has been expanded to the point of being able to use this money for more than dental purposes and is not just for low income or the needy. Our recollection from our conversation that we had with the foundation last year is that we would try to make it a perpetual fund and use the interest off of it. The fund is currently around one hundred nineteen thousand dollars (\$119,000.00). We would then release the funds based on the criteria of how it's going to be used. Mr. Hales stated that they have tried to reengage the foundation and get this going again to be able to reach out to the community. We will get in contact with someone from the Larsen family to see if we could expand this out from it being just dental. Commissioner Peatross stated that he feels with the foundation, we have the ability to leverage it for more and this is definitely where it needs to go. Once we receive a letter from the foundation, we could pass this

resolution and release the funds. He suggested making the first of September their goal to get this done.

Consideration Of An Appointment To The TriCounty Health Department Board Of Health

Commissioner Peatross motioned to appoint Kim Harding to be our school board representative on the TriCounty Health Department Board of Health as either a voting or ex official member. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Consideration Of Minutes For Working Commission Meeting Held August 01, 2011

Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Consideration Of Minutes For Regular Commission Meeting Held August 01, 2011

Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the minutes as corrected. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Executive Session - Personnel And/Or Litigation

No discussion was necessary.

Commission Calendaring

Adjourn

Chairman Wood adjourned the meeting at 2:12 P.M...

Read and approved this 15th day of August 2011.

Kirk J. Wood

Commission Chairman

Diane Freston

Clerk/Auditor

Minutes of meeting prepared by BobbiJo Casper
