

**MINUTES OF COMMISSION COMBINED WORKING SESSION AND REGULAR  
SESSION MEETING HELD AUGUST 22, 2011, BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. IN  
CONFERENCE ROOM #1, IN DUCHESNE, UTAH**

***Present***

Commission Chairman Kirk J. Wood, Commissioner Kent R. Peatross, Commissioner Ronald Winterton, Public Works Director Glen Murphy, and Commission Assistant BobbiJo Casper taking minutes of the meeting.

***Absent***

Deputy County Attorney Jonathan Stearmer.

***Public Works/Landfill Department Update***

Director Murphy stated that the Road Department has trucks hauling salt and others are on Tabby Mountain fixing culverts and laying shale. They graveled the road by VanTassells in Tabiona and will do some work on Log Hollow. There was flooding in Antelope Canyon again, so he has a grader out there assisting Petroglyph with fixing roads that washed out.

Director Murphy reported that the compactor is back up and working at the Landfill; they should be caught up by the end of the day. Roy Van Os is coming out tomorrow to go over closing one of the monitoring wells.

***Consideration Of Payment Vouchers***

*Clerk Auditor Diane Freston joined the meeting at 9:15 A.M...*

The commission reviewed vouchers #118805 through #118823 dated August 22, 2011, in the amount of one hundred sixty four thousand five hundred ninety eight dollars and six cents (\$164,598.06) as presented by Auditor Freston. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the vouchers as presented by Auditor Freston. Commissioner Winterton seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For Buster T Trucking Inc.***

*Deputy Clerk Auditor Connie Sweat joined the meeting at 9:17 A.M...*

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this company is hauling water for Iowa Tanklines, Inc. and has provided us with proof of insurance. *Commissioner Winterton motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For Willie's Hot Oil Service, Inc.***

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this company is a hot oil service out of Ballard. *Commissioner Winterton motioned to approve the business license application as presented. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Discussion Of Energy Gateway South Transmission Corridors Draft Letter***

*County/Community Planning Administrator Mike Hyde joined the meeting at 9:23 A.M...*

Administer Hyde stated that Rocky Mountain Power has recommended the power line route through central Duchesne County be eliminated from further consideration. The draft letter supports this recommendation due to the adverse impacts this facility would have on private property owners.

***Discussion Of Nomination Of 193 Additional Historic Sites In Nine Mile Canyon Area Draft Letter***

Administrator Hyde stated that this is part of the West Tavaputs Programmatic Agreement and this is a follow up on the commitment that we made to support this. There are only seven (7) historic sites in our county out of the one hundred ninety three (193). The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) provided pictures of these sites that are on the CD that was with the letter we received on August 8, 2011. This is in accordance with our policy to support individual historic site nominations rather than a large historic district.

***Discussion Of Draft Altamont-Bluebell Oil And Gas Field Development Environmental Assessment (EA)***

Administrator Hyde stated that El Paso is proposing to drill up to one hundred twelve (112) new oil wells over the next ten (10) years. Seventy percent (70%) are on private and twenty four percent (24%) are on tribal lands. Our letter supports the project and agrees that all maintenance activities will need to be coordinated with our Road Department.

Chairman Wood stated that all three letters are acceptable. Both Commissioner Peatross and Commissioner Winterton agreed.

### ***Other Discussion***

*IS Department Head Jessica Purcell joined the meeting at 9:54 A.M...*

IS Head Purcell stated that she was asked to come in by Commissioner Winterton to discuss the county phone system. The cost is approximately eighty five thousand dollars (\$85,000.00). There is built in redundancy so that if one side fails they will still be up. This will be a whole new system. She received bids from Strata, Qwest, and TecCon. Chairman Wood stated that he is concerned about something happening and having someone here in the area to fix it and not having to wait hours for someone to travel here. IS Head Purcell stated that a lot of the new phone system will be controlled through computers. Our contract with Strata is up in November and our phone systems contract is up next year. She had not had a demo done by Strata and would like to see a demo from them; her concern about Strata is that their system is not well rated and they don't have redundancy capability. Chairman Wood suggested that IS Head contact Strata to see what they say.

### ***Update From Utah Department Of Transportation (UDOT)***

*Member of the Transportation Commission representing Duchesne County Kent Millington, Utah Department of Transportation Regional Director Shane Marshall, Preconstruction Engineer Craig Hancock, Maintenance Manager Region Program Director Brent Swallow, Maintenance Supervisor Irvin Rhoades, & District Engineer Bob Westover joined the meeting at 10:06 A.M...*

Mr. Marshall stated that every year we as a region put together a list of projects that we like to present to the Commission for their recommendation and suggestions for future projects. He presented a map of their priorities and stated that this map was shown to the commission back in February. Two (2) of the projects discussed then have been approved for funding. We would like to connect the passing lanes in Fruitland, it's not on the list, but it is in the works. We would also like to construct a three (3) lane road east of Big O Tires in Roosevelt which is in Uintah County. Chairman Wood stated that he feels that this project would be more important, because there is a lot of traffic going into and out of Roosevelt. Commissioner Peatross stated that the Pleasant Valley intersection with Highway 40 is an important project as well; there is so much traffic and a lot of big trucks. He would like to see the money spent on this project rather than on the Fruitland project. Director Murphy stated that they would like to widen the county road off of that intersection in Pleasant Valley. Commissioner Winterton stated that he feels this is the number one project in the county. Mr. Marshall stated that the funding for the Fruitland project is around six million dollars (\$6,000,000.00) that is scheduled to happen in 2013. We could change the priorities to put this funding towards the Pleasant Valley project instead; the last thing we want to do is invest this much money into a non-priority project. Mr. Rhoades stated that the Big Hollow Canyon project on Highway 87 will be done in 2012. Commissioner Peatross stated that Duchesne City is moving their water station from the Duchesne County Fairgrounds to the Blue Bench by the Justice Center and needs an access road off of Highway 87 to get to it. Director Murphy stated that Surveyor Jerry Allred is currently working on this with landowners. Commissioner Wood suggested that they take a recess to go up and look at this area and the Big Hollow Canyon project. *Commissioner Winterton motioned to go into and out of recess. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

*-Entered recess at 10:34 A.M...*

*-Back in Commission Working Session at 1:12 P.M... Commissioner Peatross was excused to attend an assignment elsewhere...*

### ***Tax Adjustments – Assessor***

*Deputy Assessor Kathy Heaps joined the meeting at 1:12 A.M...*

The commission reviewed the attached tax adjustments presented by Deputy Assessor Heaps. *Commissioner Winterton motioned to approve the tax adjustments as*

*recommended by the Assessor's Office. Chairman Wood seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Other Discussion***

*Duchesne City Mayor RoJean Rowley joined the meeting at 1:22 A.M...*

*Discussion was held concerning having the Building Department do inspections for Duchesne City. Chairman Wood suggested that Mayor Rowley discuss this with Building Official Karl Mott.*

***Consideration Of Minutes For Combined Commission Meeting Held August 15, 2011***

*Commissioner Winterton 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 1:44 P.M.*

*Read and approved this 29<sup>th</sup> day of August 2011.*

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*Kirk J. Wood*

*Commission Chairman*

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*Diane Freston*

*Clerk/Auditor*

*Minutes of meeting prepared by BobbiJo Casper* \_\_\_\_\_