

**MINUTES OF COMBINED COMMISSION WORKING & REGULAR SESSION  
MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 18, 2013 BEGINNING AT 9:00 A.M. IN CONFERENCE  
ROOM #1, IN DUCHESNE, UTAH**

***Present***

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

***Public Works/Landfill Update***

Director Murphy reported that the Road Department has finished filling the salt sheds; they are now getting the trucks ready for winter. He also has a crew tearing up County Road 42, Mortensen Lane, working on the narrow spots by hauling pit run and gravel from Pleasant Valley. They will work on this project throughout the winter.

Director Murphy also reported that on the Roseanne Ellis Road, 5000 South, North of Duchesne, he is waiting for Moon Lake Electric to finish moving the poles and he is hoping to get started on this road soon.

Director Murphy also reported that guard rails will start going in on the Strawberry Road this morning. Commissioner Peatross suggested that they look into Ashto standards on the speed limit on the sharp curves.

Director Murphy also reported that the Dye Dugway is completed and there is a walk through meeting on Wednesday morning. He suggested that they start the process of vacating the old road. Commissioner Peatross suggested that they contact Surveyor Jerry Allred to make sure that the documents are correct. Director Murphy stated that Joe Summarell's crew fenced off the old road and SSD#2 will purchase a gate. They will tear out the cattle guard and put up no trespassing signs. He will contact Surveyor Jerry Allred to get the paperwork on these roads and have him get with Attorney Allred. Attorney Tyler Allred stated that we can close the old road due to safety and liability issues.

***Victims Advocate Department Update***

*Victim Advocate Coordinator Alisha Sabin joined the meeting at 9:24 A.M...*

Mrs. Sabin reported that they finished out their quarter period for both VOCA and VAWA. Under the VAWA program, we served forty victims from July 1, 2013 through September 30, 2013. There were twenty-two protective orders and twelve civil stalking injunctions. Under the VOCA program, we served fifty two victims for a total of ninety two people last quarter. We get most of our referrals from law enforcement and we took three families to the crisis center. Our relationship with the Ute Indian Tribe continues to grow. Last month we met with some of the council members and we gave them a report. We want to maintain a good working relationship with them. The 5K went very well with over one hundred thirty participants. We help victims in Ballard, but court is held in Uintah County so we contact Uintah County Victims Advocate about court dates. Chairman Winterton stated that Roosevelt City has a contract for Law Enforcement with Ballard City; they may want to add an amount for Victims Advocate services and suggested that Mrs. Sabin attend a Ballard City Council Meeting to give them a report on how many people you are serving in their city.

***Discussion Of A GPS Program For County Roads***

*GIS Director Stoney Monks & IS Department Director Kent Ogletree joined the meeting at 9:42 A.M...*

Director Monks gave a presentation of what the program entails and stated that with this program we will have people who are driving on D roads take pictures of every sign and gate they come across so we can put them into this system allowing us to keep track of our inventory. He would like to GPS county roads, give them each a category and take pictures to determine the condition. After that point, we can vacate roads. Right now this program is in a testing phase, but it needs to be fine-tuned to suit each department. Director Ogletree stated that mobile broadband survey was discussed at UAC and he will contact Strata to see if we can add a device to what they are already doing.

***Discussion Of Property Taxes***

*Treasurer Colene Nelson and Darin Jakeman joined the meeting at 10:04 A.M...*

Mr. Jakeman stated that this property has been in his family for twenty six years and his parents have fallen into hard times and he just found out that this property is going to tax sale due to non-payment. We have had several family meetings to see what we can do to

save it and he wants to see what options they have. Between him and his brother, they have nine thousand dollars that they can pay now. Commissioner Peatross stated that the thing we are up against is our latitude for a secondary home, which is a lot narrower on the scope of what we can do. In the past we have set up vouchers to get caught up because so much of the amount due belongs to other entities. He would be in favor of forgiving half of the interest. We need to be careful that we aren't setting precedence, but the amount owed speaks very loud. If we received nine thousand dollars by December 1, 2013, we will waive half of the interest if the remaining amount is paid by January 31, 2014. Mr. Jakeman stated that he feels good about this and appreciates it.

### ***Discussion Of Personal Property Taxes***

*Assessor Greg Garff joined the meeting at 10:22 A.M...*

Assessor Garff stated that this is in Altamont and the owner is disabled, but is behind on his taxes and is trying to apply for a circuit breaker.

*Cody Street joined the meeting via telephone at 10:26 A.M...*

Mr. Street stated that he thought his abatement paperwork had been turned in. He is on Social Security and is disabled and he doesn't want to lose his home. Chairman Winterton stated that since there are back taxes in the amount of eight hundred eighty eight dollars and twelve cents (\$882.12), you don't qualify for a circuit breaker. You have until January 31, 2014 to get this paid before 2013 taxes gets attached. Assessor Garff stated that Mr. Street can contact his office to set up payments.

### ***Discussion Of Collection Services***

*Deputy Clerk Auditor Judy Mutton & Emergency Management Director Mike Lefler joined the meeting at 10:32 A.M...*

Director Lefler stated that there is still some research that needs to be done. We need to add language to our ordinance to be able to attach past due fire bills to property taxes. Deputy Clerk Mutton stated that we sent out letters in October stating that payment needs to be made or it will go to collections. Commissioner Peatross stated that he would rather that the ordinance be amended to be able to attach it to taxes rather than going to a collection agency.

### ***Discussion Of A Draft EIS – Colorado River Cutthroat Trout – High Uintas Wilderness***

*County/Community Planning Administrator Mike Hyde joined the meeting at 10:58 A.M...*

Administrator Hyde stated that we were concerned about recreational fishing in the county. Environmentalists are asking that the Colorado River Cutthroat be listed on the endangered species list. They are now asking for an EIS. The goal is to avoid the federal listing. All commissioners agreed that the letter looks good.

### ***Consideration Of Board Appointments***

*Commissioner Peatross motioned to fill the following appointments:*

#### ***Planning & Zoning Commission:***

*Edward Roberts – Reappoint filling Fruitland Seat*

#### ***Library:***

*Kerri Miles – Reappoint filling Roosevelt Seat*

*Yordis Nielsen – Appoint filling Duchesne Seat*

#### ***SSD#2***

*Don Winterton - Reappoint*

*Terry Fieldstead - Reappoint*

#### ***Fair Board:***

*Melinda Larsen – Reappoint filling Vice President Seat*

*Chelise Stewart – Appointed filling Secretary Seat*

#### ***DCWCD:***

*Kevin Rowley – Reappoint filling Duchesne/Strawberry Seat*

*Don Winterton – Appoint filling Moon Lake Seat*

*Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of Tax Adjustments - Assessor***

*Assessor Greg Garff joined the meeting at 11:22 A.M...*

The commission reviewed the attached tax adjustments as presented by the Assessor's Office. Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the tax adjustments as recommended by the Assessor's Office. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

***Consideration Of Tax Adjustments – Clerk/Auditor***

*Deputy Clerk Auditor Connie Sweat joined the meeting at 11:26 A.M...*

The commission reviewed the attached tax adjustments as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the tax adjustments as recommended by the Assessor's Office. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

***Consideration Of Vouchers***

The commission reviewed vouchers # 126583 through 126715 dated November 18, 2013, in the amount six hundred forty four thousand five hundred fifty one dollars and forty cents (\$644,551.40) as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. *Commissioner Peatross motioned to approve the vouchers as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For AM Survival & Security***

Deputy Clerk Sweat stated that this is an internet sales business of food storage and does Martial Arts. *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the business license application as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For Corrpro Companies, Inc.***

*Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the business license application as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For Poppy Leigh Boutique***

*Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the business license application as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Consideration Of A Business License Application For R.T. Transport Services Inc.***

*Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the business license application as presented by the Clerk Auditor's Office. Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

***Updates From UAC Conference Attendees***

*Chief Deputy Clerk JoAnn Evans, Deputy Treasurer Jamie Park, IS Department Director Kent Ogletree and Assessor Greg Garff joined the meeting at 11:41 A.M...*

Deputy Park stated that TC750 is a big report that we do every year and the State Tax Commission is making updates to the system. There was discussion of appeals on state assessed property and used Union Pacific as an example. We would like to know if there are appeals to prepare for a refund if necessary. She received a money handling policy and she and Treasurer Nelson will revise it and present it to the commission. There was also discussion of sending out tax notices electronically.

Deputy Clerk Evans stated that there was a lot of contention and back biting amongst the Clerk Auditors. She was very discouraged with the conference; it's an I will and an I won't point of view. There are legislative changes coming in 2015 and they are opposing it. There was discussion of voting by mail and a lot of counties are looking into this.

Director Ogletree stated that the AGRC is involved in the broadband that is being developed in the State. He feels that Strata is very well ahead of this. He is now on the State Committee. The County Seat program gave a presentation and they will provide a download link to load directly on the media system. There was a joint session on the

Canvas System and his concern is that Utah County jumped in and feels it's being built around them.

Assessor Garff stated that he voted against the Canvas System. MCAT is going to fund on a quarterly basis so we will see how it goes. Motor Vehicle system was discussed.

***Closed Meeting –***

*Commissioner Wood moved to go into and out of closed session for the purpose of discussing pending or reasonably imminent litigation issues at 1:50 P.M.*

*Commissioner Peatross seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

*-Re-entered Combined Commission Meeting at 2:29 P.M...*

***Closed Meeting –***

*Commissioner Peatross moved to go into and out of closed session for the purpose of discussing personnel issues at 2:29 P.M. Commissioner Wood seconded the motion. All commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

*Assistant Casper was excused from the meeting.*

*-Re-entered Combined Commission Meeting at 3:03 P.M... Assistant Casper rejoined the meeting at 3:03 P.M...*

***Consideration To Take Action Discussed Under Closed Meeting***

*No action was necessary.*

*HR Connections Lisa Henrie joined the meeting at 3:03 P.M...*

***Commission Calendaring***

***Adjourn***

*Chairman Winterton adjourned the meeting at 4:00 P.M.*

*Read and approved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2013.*

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*Ronald Winterton*

*Commission Chairman*

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*Diane Freston*

*Clerk/Auditor*

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