

**MINUTES FOR REGULAR COMMISSION MEETING HELD OCTOBER 15, 2007
BEGINNING AT 1:00 P.M. IN THE COMMISSION BOARD ROOM IN DUCHESNE,
UTAH**

Present

Commission Chairman Kent R. Peatross (absent), Commissioner W. Rod Harrison, Commissioner Kirk J. Wood, Public Works Director Glenn Murphy, Uintah Basin Standard Reporter Preston McConkie, Chief Deputy Clerk JoAnn Evans and Commission Assistant Kathy Desormeau taking minutes of the meeting.

Opening Comments

Chief Deputy Clerk Evans gave prayer. There were no other comments.

Pledge of Allegiance

Any wishing to participate.

Consideration Of Business Licenses For Elite Metal Works, Anytime Anywhere Services, Left Lane Transportation, XTO Energy Inc., And TW Towing.

The commission reviewed all business license applications. *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve business licenses for Elite Metal Works, Anytime Anywhere Services, Left Lane Transportation, XTO Energy Inc., and TW Towing. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of Poll Workers

The commission reviewed a list of 2007 Special Election Poll Workers (attached) as presented by Chief Deputy Clerk JoAnn Evans. *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the poll workers. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Awarding Of Bid For Construction Of Lake Canyon Bridge Replacement

Commissioner Wood motioned to indefinitely postpone the awarding of the Lake Canyon Bridge Replacement bid. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Consideration Of Horrocks Engineers Change Order No. 4, Duchesne County – Arcadia Road Reconstruction, Project No. STP – 1544(1)5.

The commission reviewed the change order as presented by Public Works Director Glen Murphy. *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve Horrocks Engineers Change Order No. 4., Duchesne County – Arcadia Road Reconstruction, Project No. STP-1544(1)5. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Consideration Of Eighth District Court Contracts.

Commissioner Wood motioned to indefinitely postpone consideration of Eighth District Court contracts. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Other Business (unscheduled)

Johnson Water Special Service District Chairman Bruce Dart and Lanny Ross joined the meeting at 1:15 p.m...

Mr. Dart and Mr. Ross expressed their opposition to fees charged to districts who dig across county roads. The commission stated that the fees were created due to county roads being left in poor condition by districts after they cut through the road(s). This poor condition causes liability for the county due to such conditions as soft shoulders and uneven surfaces. Concerning this issue, the commission suggested a meeting between special service districts, the public works department and the commission.

Dallas Murray joined the meeting at 1:30 p.m.

Mr. Murray, joined by Mr. Dart and Mr. Ross, stated complaints about 2007 special service district elections not being administered by the county and about special service districts being required to hire poll workers and administer early voting. The commission

explained the district boundary/overlap difficulties the county would have experienced had it elected to administer special service district 2007 elections, then stated that Early Voting laws are mandated by the State of Utah.

Mr. Murray stated that citizens are unable to understand street signs.

Public Hearing – Modification Of The Public Safety Retirement Systems Under Utah Retirement Systems

Commissioner Harrison opened the hearing to public comment. Reporter McConkie stated that the modification was a good idea. There were no additional public in attendance. No additional comments were made.

The public hearing was closed and regular meeting recommenced at 1:43 p.m.

Consideration Of Board Of Equalization Final Approval

Assessor Greg Garff and Clerk/Auditor Diane Freston joined the meeting at 1:43 p.m...

Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the Board Of Equalization Final Reports. (attached) Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Tax Adjustments – Assessor, Auditor & Treasurer

Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the Tax Adjustments from the Assessor, Auditor and Treasurer (attached). Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Time Sheets

All were approved.

Consideration Of Payment Vouchers

The commission reviewed vouchers #103166 through #103209 in the amount of two hundred seventy-six thousand, eight hundred forty-five dollars and sixty-four cents. (\$276,845.64). *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve vouchers #103166 through #103209 dated October 09, 2007. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

The commission reviewed vouchers #103210 through #103363 in the amount of one hundred eighty-four thousand, four hundred sixty dollars and eighty cents (184,460.80). *Commissioner Wood motioned to approve vouchers #103210 through #103363 dated October 15, 2007. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.*

Forest Service Wild and Scenic Rivers Suitability Study Presentation

Public Lands Policy Analyst Val Payne joined the meeting at 2:05 p.m...

Mr. Payne stated that, persuaded by state and local governments, the Forest Service agreed to complete the Wild and Scenic Rivers Eligibility and Suitability Revision processes. Scoping meetings were held in during Spring 2007 from which the Wild and Scenic Rivers Suitability Team recieved between two thousand seven hundred (2,700) to three thousand (3,000) public comments. Issues were then derived from the comments. The next step will be to make a decision on which stream segments should be recommended to congress for designation as wild and scenic.

Mr. Payne stated that a draft recommendation should be prepared by December 01, 2007. Release of the draft is followed by a seventy-five (75) day review and comment period. Then, on approximately January 8, 2008 public hearings will commence throughout the state.

Consideration Of The Minutes For Regular Commission Meeting Held October 01, 2007

Commissioner Wood motioned to approve the minutes as amended. Commissioner Harrison seconded the motion. Both commissioners voted aye and the motion passed.

Adjournment

Commissioner Harrison adjourned the meeting at 2:20 p.m.

Read and approved this 22nd day of October 2007.

Kent R. Peatross
Commission Chairman

Diane Freston
Clerk/Auditor

*Minutes of meeting taken by Kathy Desormeau*_____