

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 22, 2024

The regular meeting of the Juab County Commission was held April 22, 2024, 10:00 a.m. in the Eureka Town Hall, 15 Church Street, Eureka, Utah.

Clinton Painter ----- Commissioner

Marty Palmer ----- Commissioner

Marvin Kenison ----- Commissioner

Perry Davis ----- Attorney

Tanielle Callaway-----Clerk/Auditor

Others present: Myrna Trauntvein, John Crippen, Leonard Trauntvein, Brent Boswell, Kevin Bailey, Travis Kenison, Clinton Painter, Sheri Dearden, Melanie Cowan, Shelly Teuscher, Steven and Cindy Child, Douglas Anderson, Emma Snell, Charles Davis, Shanna Memmott, Debbie Zirbes

Chairman Palmer welcomed all in attendance. John Crippen offered a word of prayer. Under Sheriff Travis Kenison led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Kenison made a motion to accept the minutes from April 1, 2024. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Painter indicated that Congresswoman Maloy was elected into office, Commissioner Tammy Pearson from Beaver County contacted Commissioner Painter and requested assistance from counties to help decorate her office in Washington, DC. She has a shelf that contains different artifacts from the counties in her district. Juab County provided some wonderstone from Joy and then an hourglass containing sand from Little Sahara. In addition to the shelf, she has a quilt on her wall with the state in the center. Surrounding the quilt, are smaller quilts representing the 13 counties in her district. Commissioner Painter asked Cindy Childs from Eureka if she would be willing to take on creating a quilt representing Juab County, due to Ms. Childs and her daughter submitting quilts in the fair and being sweepstake winners. Ms. Childs indicated it was actually her daughter who submitted the quilt in the fair, which ended up being a grand champion. This project is the first time she has pieced a quilt like this and it turned out to be a labor of love. It is a beautiful and detailed replication of the Eureka area, including a train, the T Hill, and the tower. The Commissioners expressed thanks for the beautiful quilt. Commissioner Painter will give the quilt to Congresswoman Maloy.

Lt. Travis Kenison came before the Commission to ratify a purchase. He had previously indicated to the Commissioners that the fingerprint machine in the jail was failing. He reached out to the commission to approve an emergency purchase. At the time he called, it was close to failing, but is now completely out. They are now ink printing fingerprints at the jail waiting for the new machine. They needed to make an \$8,000 down payment to get it ordered. The Commission approved the purchase, but it needs to be ratified. Lt. Kenison believes they can cover the cost through the Inmate Benefit Fund and possibly Sheriff's Fees, if needed. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to ratify the purchase of the fingerprint machine. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The second item was approving the Search and Rescue roster for coverage under the liability insurance. Lt. Kenison provided the Commission with a copy of the updated roster. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve the Search and Rescue roster. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Kevin Bailey came before the Commission with an amendment to the Pole Creek Fire agreement with the State for an additional \$22,500 to help secure the horse and mule guy for the fire. The contract was in place. They just need signatures for the additional funds. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to accept the amendment for the Pole Creek Fire contract for \$22,500. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The next contact Kevin presented was the BLM contact. Perry Davis has reviewed the contract. No changes were made. This is the annual ongoing contract with the BLM. The amount is \$40,000. Commissioner Painter made a motion to accept the BLM contract as presented and authorize the Commission Chair to sign. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Painter indicated the next agenda item is for the Inland Port Resolution. They are still actively working on those, and he would like to make a motion to table this matter until the next commission meeting. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Painter made a motion to close Commission Meeting and go into the Juab County Redevelopment Agency. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor. See separate Juab RDA Meeting Minutes.

Commissioner Painter made a phone call to get Shay Morrison on a phone call in the meeting due to a misunderstanding of the time.

Mr. Morrison provided an update on broadband. The challenge period just opened. R6 applied for a fabric license, which allows them to challenge the maps that the state has put together. If there are any areas in the county or any of the municipalities in Juab County that have slow internet speeds, they can let Mr. Morrison know and they can check the map. If they are listed on the map as faster than those individuals are receiving, they can challenge that. They believe this will lead to receiving additional funding to potentially better the internet service at those

locations. They need communities throughout the county to be aware and look into their internet speeds and contact R6 if they are slow. They have also reached out to the municipalities making them aware of this at their council meetings.

Mr. Morrison then moved onto the CIB list. He emailed the list to the Commissioners. They had 11 projects that were listed. One of them is a duplicate with Rocky Ridge and Juab County. The railroad project is listed twice. They had Rocky Ridge list it, but CIB indicated it would probably need to go through the County. The prioritization doesn't hold a heavy weight when projects have been funded at CIB though that could change in the future. Although it is still a requirement for counties to rate and rank the projects. They generally place water projects at the top of the list, followed by sewer and gas and then roads and then all other infrastructure after that. He preliminarily had them in the following order: 1. Mona Water System Improvements Project; 2. Eureka Water System Improvements Project; 3. Eureka Water System Security Source Protection Project; 4. Mona Sewer Master Plan; 5. Juab County Railroad Safety Project; 6. Rocky Ridge Railroad Safety Project; 7. Mona Gas Master Plan; 8. Nephi Bridge Project; 9. Eureka Road System Improvement Project; 10. Juab County Jail Facility; 11. Nephi Police Station.

Commissioner Painter inquired if Eureka prioritized their projects. Mr. Morrison stated they had. He also requested keeping the same project listed twice, depending on how it needs to be approved. Commissioner Painter also indicated they were advised to list the Juab County Jail to show the county is looking for funding sources. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the list as presented. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Other Business:

Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the Juab County bills as presented. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

John Crippen had one personnel action form for Jace Newton at the landfill. The personnel action form is for a longevity increase. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve the Juab County bills as presented. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Tanielle Callaway presented the first quarter financial report for the county for the Commissioners to review. Ms. Callaway also indicated she also provided copies to each department head for their department. She indicated the reports were helpful and there were some errors that were located and corrected. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the financial reports as presented. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Chairman Palmer was requesting ratification on the purchase of pipe for the road department. The total amount is \$3,495.00. They had received three bids. Two of the bids were not available at the time needed when the equipment was out on the desert. The initial pipe was discovered to be bad and they were in an emergency need to make the purchase.

Commissioner Painter made a motion to ratify the emergency purchase of the pipe. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Kenison discussed a mistake that was made on a road on the GIS map. There was a private road that was listed as a county road on the GIS map with the state. Commissioner Kenison asked Attorney Davis if he had reviewed the mistake and what they needed to do to correct it. Debbie Zirbes stated it was when they sent people out to map all the roads. Someone drove down that lane and listed it as a road. The county accepted the map and the private road was listed as a county road. She has been unable to locate any maps showing that as a county road from 1976. Attorney Davis indicated due to it being listed on the state road system, in order to remove the road, it would have to be deemed an abandoned road. It must be noticed for four weeks, a notice has to be mailed to the state road department and all adjacent property owners, and a public hearing needs to be held after the four weeks. Commissioner Painter made a motion to start the process to abandon the road that was added in error and was never intended to be a county road. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The members of the junior fair board were given to the Commissioners for approval for insurance purposes. There are 18 members of the junior fair board. Commissioner Painter indicated they have done an incredible job and are fantastic workers. Brittney McPherson is the new junior fair board director. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the list as presented. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The county was in receipt of the Cloud Seeding Invoice for the year. The Commissioners thought it was decided last year not to participate in the program. However, it was paid and the county did participate. The invoice has increased from the past year. The Commissioners discussed whether they wanted to participate again this year. It was decided they did not want to participate and to send a letter indicating that.

Chairman Palmer indicated that was all the agenda items and asked if any of the residents wanted to take some time and share some comments or concerns.

Charles Davis stood and indicated they have recently started a Tintic Chamber of Commerce. He is the president. He tried to get more members to attend. He indicated they were interested in finding out how to contact Congresswoman Maloy. Commissioner Painter indicated he had the contact information for her chief of staff and he would get that information to Mr. Davis. They are interested in her meeting with the Chamber of Commerce. He also expressed his thanks to the Commission for all they do for Eureka.

Commissioner Painter made a motion to adjourn the open meeting and move to the Executive Session for personnel contract issues. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Palmer called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Painter voted, "Aye."
Commissioner Kenison voted, "Aye."

Chairman Palmer voted, "Aye."

Commissioner Painter made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: Tanielle Callaway

Tanielle Callaway
Juab County Clerk/Auditor

APPROVED: Marty Palmer

Marty Palmer
Commission Chair