

COMMISSION MINUTES

April 8, 2013

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this eighth day of April, 2013. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Gary Mason and Gordon Topham in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall, County Attorney Dale Eyre, and Malcolm Nash were also present.

Commissioner Garth 'Tooter' Ogden was excused.

Commission Business:

Commissioner Mason reported he had received a letter from the Ogden Pioneer Heritage Days requesting again this year a nomination for the Cowboy of the Year. The Commission reviewed previous years' nominations noting that most of them were from the central or southern part of the County, and then discussed a nomination from the northern part of the County. After discussion, the Commission agreed to nominate Bob Bagley from Aurora.

Commissioner Mason also reported he had received notice that State and Institutional Trust Lands (SITLA) are looking at selling some of their properties later this year, and will be putting a notice out. He said that the BLM is also looking at possibly raising their grazing fees on BLM properties.

Commissioner Mason also noted that he had received notice of a new subdivision Richfield City has approved. He then reported that the military training exercises that had been planned for this area for this year have been cancelled due to budget concerns, etc. with the possibility of those coming back next year.

Commissioner Topham had received an email request for some type of action from the County supporting the Second Amendment. The Commissioners felt that the matter could be discussed further at a staff meeting.

Minutes of March 25th approved:

Commissioner Topham moved to approve the minutes of the March 25th Commission meeting, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Claims approved:

Commissioner Topham then moved to approve the claims against the County for the month of March, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Victim's Advocate grant ratified:

Shelly Haupt, Victim's Advocate, reviewed with the Commissioners her grant for the upcoming fiscal years of July 2013 through July 2015. She noted that at this point she is aware that because of budget cuts there will be at least 10% cut from her grant this year, possibly more, up to 20%, but she would let the Commissioners know as soon as she is notified. Currently the County is putting a little extra funding above the grant for her position, and County Attorney Dale Eyre indicated that it is a good program and has been working well. He said he would like to continue to see the program made available. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved

to ratify the grant for the Victim's Advocate position, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Travel Council recommendations approved:

Commissioner Topham then noted that Special Events Director Kevin Arrington was unable to attend the meeting, and reviewed the recommendations from the Travel Council. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the recommendations for expenditures from the Travel Council, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Items declared surplus:

The Commissioners then reviewed a list of items to be declared surplus. It was noted that most of the items were broken and needed to be disposed of with two items from the Sheriff's Office to be used as retirement gifts. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the items as noted on the surplus list as surplus and authorize their disposal, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Contracts approved for entertainment at County Fair:

The Commission then reviewed two contracts for activities at the Fair including Fast Action Motorsports for a fee of \$7,600, and National Entertainment Group for a hypnotist show for a fee of \$1,000. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the contracts as recommended by Fair Director Paula Martin, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Agreement with Joseph and Cove Highline Canal Company approved:

The Commission then reviewed the agreement between Sevier County and the Joseph and Cove Highline Canal Company where the County will serve as a sponsor agency to obtain funding through the NRCS to do repair and upgrades to the canal company diversions along Clear Creek. Funding for the project would come from the NRCS and from the canal company. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to ratify the agreement between Sevier County and the Joseph and Cove Highline Canal Company with no funding from the County, second Commissioner Mason. Motion passed.

Business and beer licenses approved for Big Rock Café:

The Commission reviewed a business license and beer license request from Rene Pepelaar for Big Rock Café, as well as a local consent or variance for a State restaurant liquor license. The Commission noted that they were not familiar with the State liquor license variance local consent request, and indicated they would like some time to review that before approving it. After review and discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the business license at a fee of \$25 per year and the beer license at a fee of \$150 per year for Big Rock Café, second Commissioner Mason, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.