

**COMMISSION MINUTES**  
**October 28, 2013**

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this twenty-eighth day of October, 2013. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Garth 'Tooter' Ogden, 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 Executive Administrator Malcolm Nash were also present.

Commissioner Gary Mason was excused.

**Commission business:**

Commissioner Topham reported the next CIB funding meeting will be in Moab, and they will be looking at funding the Rights-of-way project that is being worked through Special Service District #1. There is a possibility that Cynthia Nielsen will be involved in that meeting as she has been working getting that information ready for them on the Rights-of-Way on BLM land.

Commissioner Topham then reported that the Health Department had noted instances of Clomedia, an STD, in the area during times that the carnival was here. They have asked that the County and the local communities have more law enforcement available during those times to see if they can't control some of that.

Commissioner Topham reminded the Commission of the meeting next Monday with Katherine Clark concerning the RS2477 roads and the sage grouse.

**Minutes of October 14<sup>th</sup> Commission meeting approved:**

Minutes of the October 14, 2013 Commission meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Ogden, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**Travel Council recommendations approved:**

Tourism/Events Director Kevin Arrington reviewed with the Commissioners the Travel Council recommendations from their October meeting. After discussion, Commissioner Ogden moved to approve the recommendations as presented, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**Refund on property tax approved:**

Assessor Amy Garren-Clark recommended a refund of \$110 to Vanez Butler, indicating she had inspected and licensed her vehicle two weeks before the deadline, then traded it in the following week. Ms. Butler had requested a refund of license fees from the State, and had been approved by the State. Ms. Garren-Clark recommended the County refund the property tax on the vehicle. After discussion, Commissioner Ogden moved to approve the refund as recommended, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**No action taken on Treasurer Refund request:**

Treasurer Cheryl Buchanan then discussed with the Commissioners the refunds she normally does at the end of the year after taxes are paid from double payments and overpayments of properties being sold or paid by mortgage companies and the owner, etc. Ms. Buchanan would

like the ability to make the refunds on overpayments without coming back to the Commissioner for approval. Several options were discussed, both the pros and cons of giving her the authority to do that, or whether it should come to the Commissioners or not. No action was taken at this time.

**Rollback taxes abated for Central Valley Town:**

Central Valley Mayor Dwayne Bayles, and Town Clerk Allen Henningson met with the Commissioners regarding property (parcel 4-308-31) the town had purchased of approximately 5 acres, and had received a notice of rollback taxes. They indicated the property is contingent to their cemetery and will be used for future growth there, and requested an abatement of the rollback taxes. After discussion, Commissioner Ogden moved to abate the rollback taxes on parcel 4-308-31 in the amount of \$808.89 as requested, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**Landfill write-off request from Aurora City being reviewed:**

Commissioner Ogden then reviewed a landfill billing to Aurora City from April 2013 on a home that was demolished. He said he had spoken with Mayor Gurney of Aurora about the clean-up, and Aurora Town was asking for an abatement of the fees on those two landfill bills. Discussion followed concerning who owned the property, and whether or not it should be abated. The Commission said they would get additional information, and asked that the matter be placed on the next agenda. No further action was taken.

**Rights-of-Way grants approved in the Lost Creek area:**

The Commission then reviewed the Rights-of-Way information for the Lost Creek Road near Sigurd between Sevier County and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). Special Service District #2 is making some improvements to that roadway, and trying to clean-up the rights-of-way and repair the road. After discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the Right-of-Way Grants with the BLM on UTU 89863 and UTU 89863-01 in the Lost Creek area, second Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed.

**Right-of-Way Easement in Big Rock Candy Mountain area approved:**

The Commission then reviewed a Right-of-Way easement between Pacificorp (DBA Rocky Mountain Power) and Sevier County to put electrical power under the roadway near the Big Rock Candy Mountain Park where the County had recently done some work and installed restrooms, etc. After discussion, Commissioner Ogden moved to approve the Right-of-Way Easement for Rocky Mountain Power as recommended, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**Predator Control Contract for 2014 approved:**

The Commission then reviewed the Predator Control Contract for 2014 between the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food and Sevier County for the next fiscal year. The contract is a renewal for a total of \$4,000 with \$2,000 coming back to the County from the State of Utah. This part of the program is the one that is done through the Utah Woolgrower's Association under the direction of the State. After review and discussion, Commissioner Ogden moved to

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approve the Predator Control Contract for 2014 in the amount of \$4,000, second Commissioner Topham. Motion passed.

**Business License for Michael Taylor approved:**

The Commission then reviewed a business license for Michael Taylor Handyman Service. The Commission noted that the Zoning Administrator had given his approval. After review and discussion, Commissioner Topham moved to approve the business license at a fee of \$25 per year, second Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.