

Beaver County Commission Meeting
Beaver, UT 84713
April 7, 2020

The Board of County Commissioners met on April 7, 2020, at 10:00 a.m. for its regular Commission Meeting. Attending were: Commissioner Michael Dalton, Chairman; Commissioner, Mark Whitney; Commissioner, Tammy Pearson; Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor; Robert Pyles, Administrative Services Coordinator; Stephanie Laws, Commission Secretary, Michelle Evans using her ZOOM account, and Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

This meeting was conducted via ZOOM.

Prayer was offered by Von Christiansen, County Attorney.

Pledge of Allegiance

Review and Approve County Bills. Motion to approve County Bills was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Previous minutes were presented by Ginger McMullin, Clerk/Auditor. With minor adjustments and edits, motion to authorize minutes was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, the vote was unanimous.

Ratify signing of CUP for Yardley Leasing. Commission ratified the signing of a Conditional Use Permit for a solar project, which was discussed and tabled from a prior meeting. Motion to ratify the signing on a CUP for Yardley Leasing was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous.

Beaver Mountain Rezonement-Consider Signing Ordinance 2020-01, an Ordinance Amending the Zoning Map of Beaver County, State of Utah. This is for Rezoning Specified Property for Agriculture (A-5) and Multi-Use (MU-20) to Forest Recreation (FR-5) and (FR-1), and ordinance 2020-03, an Ordinance Amending Beaver County Code Section 9-6c-2 and 9-7-2. Present was Kyle Blackner, County Building Authority. This is to amend the uses of Forest Recreation zones. This is a cleanup Ordinance for Forest Recreation and Multi-Use, excluding swine. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-03, amending Beaver County Code 9-6c-2 & 9-7-2, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-01, an Ordinance amending the Zoning Map to change zones to fit the proper estates was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Little America Hotel Direct Bill. Commission briefly discussed a recent application for a direct bill from Little America Hotel, this will allow ease of billing and payment. It was the consensus of the Commission to accept this application and process it according to the requirements of Little America Hotel.

Consider Signing Indigent Defense Improvement Grant Application. Present was Von Christiansen, County Attorney. Mr. Christiansen discussed the Indigent Defense Grant, which is currently being

renewed. This is an application for a grant to assist indigent representation when filing an appeal of their sentence. Motion to authorize signature on the IDC Grant Application was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Ordinance 2020-04, an Ordinance of Beaver County, Utah enacting Beaver County Code title 11 Second Amendment Sanctuary County. Mr. Christiansen requested clarification on the penalties that could be imposed on a person. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-04, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Ordinance 2020-06, an Ordinance Amending Beaver County Code 1-5-1, an Electronic Meetings. Motion to adopt Ordinance 2020-06, an Ordinance amending Beaver County Code 1-5-1, Electronic Meetings was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Resolution 2020-08, a Resolution of the Beaver County Commission Adopting a Temporary Policy in Compliance with the Family First Coronavirus Response Act. Present was Ginger McMullin, County Clerk/Auditor/HR Director. This is to allow for an additional two weeks of sick leave in the event that it is needed for COVID-19 recovery. Motion to adopt Resolution 2020-08 was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Consider Signing Application for Eligibility of Federal Surplus Property Program. Present was Ginger McMullin, County Clerk/Auditor. This will allow Beaver County to bid and acquire Federal Surplus Property for County use. Motion to authorize the Federal Surplus Property Resolution 2020-07, was by Comm. Whitney, and seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Solar Projects Update. Present was Bryan Harris, Longroad Energy. Mr. Harris was present to update the Commission on an upcoming solar project. This will consist of a 500 megawatt per hour project, there will be two projects against the IPP line, totally \$280,000,000. Mr. Harris discussed the timeline for the permitting in the next few months. Longroad Energy has scheduled a virtual tour for the public on April 21st. They will be posting the virtual tour link through Zoom on the Beaver County website for viewing. Mr. Harris also discussed the Tax Incentive Financing they are interested in entering with Beaver County. Mr. Harris discussed the cost reimbursement agreement Longroad Energy is willing to enter, for costs associated with consulting.

Consider Signing Sublease Agreement for Jack's Peak. Present was Von Christiansen, County Attorney. Motion to table this item was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous.

Beaver City Funding Assistance Request. Present were Beaver City Mayor, Matt Robinson; Beaver City Manager, Jason Brown; Alison Webb, Councilwoman. Beaver City is requesting assistance from Beaver County to help fund the Beaver City Opera House renovation project. Beaver City is requesting \$30,000 from Beaver County to complete the Opera House project. It was decided to draft a letter of commitment to validate the \$30,000 participation from Beaver County. Motion to authorize

commitment letter for a \$30,000 contribution to Beaver City for the Beaver City Opera House renovation was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, the vote was made unanimous.

Travel Council City Member Appointments. Present was Michelle Evans, Tourism Director. Ms. Evans received recommendation of Scott Symond, Milford City Representative; Jeep Spaulding, Milford City alternate; Brandon Wiseman, Minersville Town representative; Kallie Stringer Minersville Town alternate; Tyler Schena, Beaver City Representative; Alison Webb, Beaver City alternate. Motion to appoint the previously listed as non-voting liaisons to the Travel Council was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was unanimous.

Minersville Lake Contracts. Present was Michelle Evans, Tourism Director. Mrs. Evans discussed the contract with the State DEQ, to bring Beaver County into compliance with their water system. Motion to table the signing of the order was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Minersville Lake Fees. Commission briefly discussed reducing the nightly rental fee for Beaver County residents. It was the consensus to leave the fees for the nightly rental as currently scheduled.

Flood Preparation. It was briefly discussed to plan for any flood mitigation this coming spring. Comm. Pearson mentioned there are sand bars at the bottom of the river. It was decided to leave the river alone for right now.

Surplus Items. It was discussed to declare four items as surplus items; 2010 Dodge Ram 1500, 2015 Ford Explorer, 2015 Dodge Durango SXT and SMART board. Motion to declare the four listed surplus items was made by Comm. Whitney, seconded by Comm. Pearson, and the vote was made unanimous.

Comm. Whitney requested Rob draft an Ordinance to declare surplus items. Mr. Pyles agreed and will work on a new Ordinance for next meeting.

Commission Updates. Comm. Pearson updated the Commission on the Council on Aging activity. Ms. Shotwell, COA Director, is working on getting emergency meals for the seniors in our County.

Motion to enter into closed session for the purpose of discussing the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual; discuss strategy for pending or reasonably imminent litigation, real property negotiation, was made by Comm. Pearson, seconded by Comm. Whitney, and the vote was made unanimous. Roll call vote Comm. Pearson "aye", Comm. Dalton "aye", Comm. Whitney "aye".

Closed session declared closed by Comm. Dalton.

Meeting adjourned.