

**Grand County Council Meeting
January 2, 2007**

The Grand County Council met for Workshop Session on the above date. The meeting was called to order by Chair Joette Langianese at 3:00 p.m. In attendance were Councilmen Jim Lewis, Gene Ciarus, Pat Holyoak, Bob Greenberg, Jerry McNeely, Audrey Graham, Council Administrator Shawn Warnke and Clerk/Auditor Diana Carroll.

The newly elected Council members introduced themselves and shared their areas of interest for Grand County. Introductions were followed by an orientation presentation by Shawn Warnke covering protocol of the Council meetings.

The Regular Session of the Council meeting was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Chair Joette Langianese. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Diana Carroll.

Elections of Officers

The Chair opened the floor for nominations for the election of Grand County Council officers for the year 2007. **MOTION**: Motion by Councilman Jerry McNeely to nominate Jim Lewis for the Council Chairman. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0. **MOTION**: Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to nominate Councilman Bob Greenberg as Vice-Chairman. Motion seconded by Councilman Pat Holyoak carried 6 – 1 with Councilman Jerry McNeely opposed. County Council members echoed their appreciation of the time, effort and a job well done by outgoing Chair Joette Langianese. Newly elected Chair Jim Lewis conducted the remainder of the meeting.

Approval of Payment of Bills

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to approve payment of bills presented in the amount of \$471,926.06. Accounts payable check numbers 47728 – 47888 in the amount of \$309,547.76 and payroll in the amount of \$162,378.30. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried with a 6 – 1 roll call vote. Councilman Bob Greenberg abstained.

Approval of Minutes

A. Approval of Minutes of Council Meeting; December 19, 2006 (Diana Carroll)

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to table approval of the minutes to allow more time for review. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0.

Agency Reports

B. Update on Arches and Canyonlands National Parks (Laura Joss and Kate Cannon)

Kate Cannon reported on updates at local area National Parks. Recent flooding closed the trail to Delicate Arch but has been repaired temporarily. Visitation at Arches as of November 30 is up over 6.5 % with Island in the Sky up just over 6.5%. Public notices are posted and comments will be received throughout 2007 regarding an increase in entrance fees. The National Park Service tries to keep the entrance fees consistent nation-wide.

C. Status of the Utah Recreational Land Exchange Act Actions the council Can Take (Laura kamala, Grand Canyon Trust and Jon Andrews, SITLA)

Jon Andrews, Associate Director of SITLA updated the Council on legislative action that should provide a gain to Grand County. About 5 years ago a community group in Grand County came up with a proposal to trade sensitive lands owned by SITLA to the BLM in exchange for oil and gas property in the Book Cliffs. Congressman Matheson supports the proposal and will try to get it passed during the next legislative session and is happy to share information with the County Council. When land is owned by the federal government and oil and gas is developed on that land, the revenue generated from the sale of the oil and gas is distributed to counties through mineral lease funds. The way this money can be spent is regulated by law, but when the State owns the land those stipulations do not apply. SITLA will send half of the money generated into the mineral lease system and those funds, an estimated \$50 – 60,000 can go directly into the County General Fund. Grand County Council will draft a letter supporting the Recreational Land Exchange Act to send with Councilman Joette Langianese as she travels to Washington next week. Councilman Jerry McNeely asked Jon to make a presentation to the County Council regarding mineral lease funds during a future Council meeting.

D. Consideration of a Resolution for a Conditional Use Permit for the Portal RV park Addition Located at 1261 N. Hwy 191; Terry Bixler, Applicant (Mary Hofhine)

This application for conditional use permit is submitted by Terry Bixler. The property is located on north highway 191 and is zoned HC, Highway Commercial. The applicant has submitted a site plan for the project where there is an existing RV Park with 36 RV sites, 7 cabins and 10 tent sites. This project is for an additional 34 concrete RV sites and a second bath house. The Planning Commission recommended approval subject to the conditions set forth in the resolution, which will be completed before the building permit is issued. **MOTION**: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to approve the resolution as submitted. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely. Councilman Bob Greenberg recommended tabling the resolution until the conditions were met, but after explanation of the conditions set forth, he suggested a letter be obtained by the other entities involved in the conditions. The motion was amended to reflect approval by UDOT, Moab City and Moab Valley Fire. Motion carried 7 – 0.

E. Consideration of a Resolution for a Utility Easement at 478 East 100 North Mingo Gritts, Applicant (Shawn Warnke)

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to table the resolution until the appropriate document is received. Motion seconded by Councilman Audrey Graham carried 7 – 0.

F. Consideration of Approval of a Letter to Mesa Air Stipulating the Terms of their Contract with Grand County.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to table approval of the letter until the next meeting. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

G. Consideration of Approval of an Appointment to the Water Conservancy District

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to send a letter to the Governor in support of John Keyes completing the term vacated by Jim Walker on the Water Conservancy District Board. Audrey seconded. 7 – 0.

H. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Mosquito Board

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to appoint Councilman Pat Holyoak. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 6 – 1. Councilman Pat Holyoak abstained.

I. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Hazmat Board

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to appoint Gene Ciarus to the Hazmat Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Pat Holyoak carried 6 – 1. Councilman Gene Ciarus abstained.

J. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Mental Health and Public Health Boards

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to appoint Councilman Jerry McNeely. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 5 – 2. Councilmen Gene Ciarus and Jerry McNeely opposed.

K. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Airport Board

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Gene Ciarus to appoint Councilman Bob Greenberg to the Airport Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0.

L. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Children’s Justice Center Board

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to appoint Councilman Jerry McNeely to the Children’s Justice Center Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

M. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment for the Cemetery Board

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to appoint Councilman Pat Holyoak to the Cemetery Board. Motion seconded by Councilman Audrey Graham carried 7 – 0.

N. Consideration of Approval for Council Member Board Appointment as ex-officio Member of the Planning and Zoning Commission

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Jerry McNeely to appoint Councilman Gene Ciarus to the Planning and Zoning Commission. Motion seconded by Councilman Pat Holyoak. Councilman Audrey Graham is concerned about comments she heard that Gene does not agree with zoning and stressed the importance of the Council getting a clear picture of what happens at Planning and Zoning meetings. Councilman Joette Langianese reminded the others that this person has no power as ex-officio member. Motion carried 5 – 2. Councilmen Joette Langianese and Bob Greenberg opposed.

O. Consideration of a Resolution Declaring the Intent of Grand County to Arrange for Short-term Financing to Accommodate the Anticipated Operating Capital Deficits by the Issuance of Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANS) as a Participant in the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) Combined Cash Flow Borrowing Program (the UAC Program) and Related Matters (Diana Carroll)

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to approve the resolution as presented declaring Grand County's intent to participate in the UAC Program. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0.

Other Administrative

Council Administrator Shawn Warnke

- Grand County was awarded a \$16,000 grant for development of the GIS system.
- Received notification of 30 day public comment period by SITLA regarding power line construction on the La Sal Mountains in San Juan County. This will be a discussion item at the next meeting.
- Will schedule a Council Retreat in March and a prioritization meeting January 30th if possible.

Councilman Joette Langianese

- New calendars at dais.
- Re-advertising for the Justice Court Judge position. Scheduled a meeting January 19th at noon in the Council Chambers to discuss the process.

Councilman Audrey Graham

- Wants to make certain the Resource Management Plan for Dead Horse Point continues. Councilman Bob Greenberg will contact Judy Carmichael and the Trail Mix Committee regarding upcoming meetings.
- Would like someone to attend the Housing Conference in LA February 8 – 10.
- Housing Coalition will meet Wednesday at Zions Bank

Council Reports

Councilman Joette Langianese will be traveling Wednesday – Friday to a CIB Presentation for the Hospital District for a \$6 million dollar grant/loan. She will also be traveling January 10 – 12 to Washington for a meeting with the DOE.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

Jim Lewis, Chairman
Grand County Council

Attest: _____

Diana Carroll
Grand County Clerk/Auditor