

**Grand County Council Meeting
Council Chambers
125 E. Center Street
Moab, UT**

March 6, 2007

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

Presentation on the Grand County Recreation Center (Recreation Board)

Grand County Recreation Special Service District (GCRSSD) Board members Manual Torres and Marcy Till presented Moab City's proposed new recreation center plan. Moab City will apply to CIB for funding of the project. The GCRSSD will commit \$1.5 million dollars from Mineral Lease funds for annual payments of the project. Moab City plans to spend between \$300,000 and \$500,000. Marcy Till and Donna Metzler are overseeing the CIB application process and Moab City will hold a public hearing March 13, 2007 at Moab City Hall. The project is estimated to cost \$6.8 million dollars.

The regular Session of the Grand County Council meeting was called to order by Chair Jim Lewis at 4:00 p.m. In attendance were Councilmen Jim Lewis, Gene Ciarus, Bob Greenberg, Jerry McNeely and Joette Langianese, Patricia Holyoak and Audrey Graham along with Council Administrator Shawn Warnke and Clerk/Auditor Diana Carroll.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to amend the agenda to move the Executive Session after the regular business of the afternoon. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0.

RECESS to Grand County Municipal Building Authority at 4:05 p.m.

Regular session called to order at 4:15 p.m.

A. Christmas Box House (Happy Morgan)

The Division of Child and Family Services announced last fall that they were closing the Christmas Box House. Grand County Attorney Happy Morgan along with several citizens developed a task force in an attempt to keep the facility open. The task force felt that operations could be managed on about half of the prior budget and a proposal was made to the State of Utah. An agreement is currently being drafted by the State of Utah and Grand County Attorney Happy Morgan has agreed to oversee the operation of the facility and will have an MOU for Council approval as soon as it is available. The State will fund the entire project with a \$150,000 budget.

B. Update on Transportation Projects (Dave Warner)

The Thompson Bridge project was recently bid again and this time there was a bid received that came within 5% of the engineers estimate. Adams and Smith were the apparent low bidders and the State will award the contract within 72 hours. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to amend the agenda to consider Item R of the evening session and to approve the letter regarding proceeding with a Contractor for the Thompson Wash Bridge Replacement. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0. Dave Warner received a request from someone who would like to purchase gravel from the County pit on Murphy Lane. Council instructed Dave not to sell the gravel.

C. County Debt Service (Diana Carroll)

At the request of Council Administrator Shawn Warnke a presentation of the County's current debt was presented by Diana Carroll.

D. Discussion of Camping Area in Kane Creek (Russ Von Koch)

Russ Von Koch (BLM) and Brian Torgerson (SITLA) reported on the cooperative effort regarding camp site improvements on Kane Creek Road. The State funds used to help provide amenities to the camping area will come from OHV funds. The BLM and SITLA requested Grand County send a letter of support to Lou Brown, Resource Specialist for SITLA. The letter will confirm support for development of an agreement between BLM and SITLA for the BLM to manage recreational use of the land in the Kane Creek area. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Jerry McNeely to approve the letter of support. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

E. Consideration of Council Cancellation of Property Regarding a Veteran's Request (Peggy Taylor)

The request is from a property owner who was out of town during the abatement process and failed to get their application turned in on time. The Veteran's Abatement has been granted to the property owner in the past. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to approve the Council cancellation in the amount of \$607.86. Motion seconded by Councilman Jerry McNeely carried 7 – 0.

F. Consideration of Board of Equalization Request for Property Tax Exemption (Dorothy Gough)

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to table the request until the attachments regarding the request for exemption are included in the packet for consideration. Motion seconded by Councilman Gene Ciarus carried 7 – 0.

G. Discussion on MHF Logistical Solution's Request to Renew the Cisco Bridge Usage Agreement Renewal (Rick Zink)

MHF Logistical Solution requests renewal of the agreement to use the Cisco Bridge to transport over-weight trucks from the railroad loading area to Interstate 70. Councilman Joette Langianese reported that when the original agreement was approved there were funds available from the State for bridge replacement. Those funds are no longer

available and replacement of the bridge will now be Grand County's responsibility. After discussion of alternate routes, Mr. Zink will explore other transportation options.

H. Discussion and Consideration to Approve a Level of Service for Firefighting with Moab Valley Fire Protection District for the Canyonlands Airfield (Shawn Warnke and Corky Brewer)

There was a lengthy discussion with Corky Brewer regarding firefighting services at the Airport. Councilman Bob Greenberg researched the idea of using TRT funds to pay for the required service but found that the Travel Council did not support increasing TRT. The Airport Board and Council Administrator Shawn Warnke will contact the State DOT and FAA to find out if any other options exist.

I. Discussion of CIB Projects and or Future Long Range Planning (Shawn Warnke)

Shawn gave a presentation of the current space and office areas in the Courthouse and possible construction at the old Library building. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to bid the remodel of the deputy area in the Sheriff's Office and Planning and Zoning and move the Attorney to P&Z. Motion failed for lack of a second. Chairman Jim Lewis stated that cost estimates are needed for the different proposed scenarios and is disappointed that the numbers are not available. Shawn will work with Prescott Muir to get estimated remodel costs focusing on needs for low security jail space and space for the County Attorney.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to enter into Executive Session to discuss personnel issues at 6:35 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg. Present were Councilmen Jim Lewis, Gene Ciarus, Patricia Holyoak, Audrey Graham, Joette Langianese, Jerry McNeely and Bob Greenberg with County Attorney Happy Morgan, Sheriff Jim Nyland, Council Administrator Shawn Warnke and Clerk/Auditor Diana Carroll. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to end the Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilman Audrey Graham carried. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to hire a Dispatcher in the Jail. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

The evening session of the Grand County Council meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Jim Lewis. In attendance were Councilmen Jim Lewis, Gene Ciarus, Bob Greenberg, Jerry McNeely, Patricia Holyoak, Audrey Graham and Joette Langianese along with Council Administrator Shawn Warnke and Clerk/Auditor Diana Carroll. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Ryan Holyoak.

Payment of bills

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Patricia Holyoak to approve bills presented for payment in the amount of \$1,636,096.69. Payroll in the amount of \$101,069.19 and accounts payable \$1,531,207.50 check numbers 48538 – 48706. Motion seconded by Councilman Joette Langianese carried with 7 – 0 roll call vote.

Approval of Minutes

January 16, 2007 – MOTION: Motion by Councilman Gene Ciarus to approve the minutes as edited by Councilman Bob Greenberg. Motion seconded by Councilman Patricia Holyoak and added the edited version by Councilman Joette Langianese's be included. Motion carried 6 for with 1 abstention. Councilman Audrey Graham was absent January 16, 2007.

February 6, 2007 – MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to approve the minutes with Bob and Joette's corrections. Motion seconded by Councilman Audrey Graham carried 7 – 0.

February 20, 2007 – MOTION: Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to approve the minutes per the Bob & Joette corrections. Motion seconded by Councilman Patricia Holyoak carried 7 – 0. There was some confusion regarding several edited versions of the minutes and this will be discussed at a later meeting.

Citizens to be Heard

Mike Suarez spoke regarding comments he made at the December 19, 2006 Council meeting regarding the selection of the Justice Court Judge. Mr. Suarez read a letter which he requested be a part of the record and apologized to Sheriff Nyland and Mr. Rex Tanner.

Presentation –

J. Affordable Housing Initiative (Shawn Warnke)

Grand County entered into an interlocal agreement with Moab City and the Grand County Housing Authority for the purpose of funding a study for moderate income housing. Grand County Housing Authority has contracted with Rural Community Assistance Corporation to conduct the study. Council Administrator Shawn Warnke recommended the Council wait for the outcome of the study to give direction to the Planning Commission and staff to address affordable housing issues.

K. Discussion and Consideration of Approval of a Resolution Honoring Mr. Bob Dalla (Bob Greenberg)

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Bob Greenberg to adopt the resolution honoring Bob Dalla for his many years of service to Grand County. Motion seconded by Councilman Audrey Graham carried 7 – 0.

L. Consideration of Ordinance to Approve Tierra del Sol Subdivision PUD, Final Plat – Dan Pyatt (Mary Hofhine)

The application is submitted by Dan Pyatt, Manager of Pyatt Investments, Inc. The PUD includes approximately 10 acres to be divided into 42 lots, each for the development of duplex like dwellings. The Grand County Planning Commission reviewed the application on February 28, 2007 and recommended approval subject to the conditions outlined in the Staff memo requiring submission of signed Improvements Agreement and payment of engineering fees. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Audrey Graham to

adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Joette Langianese carried 7 – 0.

M. Consideration of an Ordinance to Approve Moab Springs PUD Final Plat, phase VI McKay Edwards (Mary Hofhine)

The application is submitted by McKay Edwards of Club Utah Resort Group. This final plat includes three footprint lots to be developed with attached dwelling units. The Grand County Planning Commission reviewed the application on February 14, 2007 and recommended approval. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Gene Ciarus carried 7 – 0.

N. Consideration of an Ordinance to Approve Redcliffs Condominiums PUD Final Plat – Brad Mikesell (Mary Hofhine)

The application is submitted by Mark Wright on behalf of Trent Mehlhoff and Bradley Mikesell. The applicant proposes division of 5.10 acres of land into 72 town homes lots with 6 – 12 units per building. The application exceeds allowable density pursuant to the County Council adopted moratorium, but was specifically exempted from said moratorium because the application was already in process. The Grand County Planning Commission reviewed the application on February 28, 2007 and recommended approval subject to the conditions outlined in the Staff memo requiring submission of signed Improvements Agreement and payment of engineering fees. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Patricia Holyoak to include the reason cross connectivity is not required is due to a large drainage area. Motion carried 7 – 0.

O. Consideration of an Ordinance to Approve Rim Village Vista PUD final Plat, Phase III – Chuck Henderson (Mary Hofhine)

The application is submitted by Souder, Miller Engineers for Chuck Henderson for approval of Phase III of Rim Village Vistas PUD. The Grand County Planning Commission reviewed the application on December 13, 2006 and recommended approval subject to the conditions set forth in the Staff memo. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion seconded by Councilman Patricia Holyoak carried 7 – 0.

P. Discussion and Consideration of a Resolution of Grand County Council Concerning Management of Trapping and Discharge of Firearms within the High Use Camping and Hiking Area Section of the Sand Flats Recreation Area (Jerry McNeely)

Discussion with Councilmen Jerry McNeely and Gene Ciarus along with Dave Vaughn, Andrea Brand, Russ Von Koch and Maggie Wyatt resulted in agreement of the area recommended to be closed to trapping. The resolution has an accompanying map of the area. **MOTION:** Motion by Councilman Jerry McNeely to approve the resolution. Motion seconded by Councilman Bob Greenberg carried 7 – 0.

**Q. Discussion and Consideration to Approve Specific County Vehicles Surplus.
(Shawn Warnke)**

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to declare vehicles #305, #307, #550 AND #26 and other miscellaneous items listed and give Shawn authority to declare the other items surplus before the auction. Motion carried 7 – 0.

Other Administrative

Council Administrator Shawn Warnke advised of Moab City Annexation of the property just south of the Moab Chevron and Grand Water & Sewer Service Agency annexation of Lemon Lane property.

Council Reports

Councilman Audrey Graham regarding the trapping issue there is no harm if interested people working on this issue come to us with a recommendation of other critical areas. Also, Thompson residents have requested permission to put a bulletin board and a bench on County owned property in Thompson.

Councilman Joette Langianese Grand County received a Technical Assistant grant and is ready to start a health care survey. There will be a conference call and meetings with staff and consultants.

Councilmen Bob Greenberg, Jerry McNeely and Gene Ciarus along with Dave Vaughn attended a meeting with Uintah County regarding the Bookcliffs to I-70 road. Grand County is not interested in participating but UDOT is talking with Uintah County.

MOTION: Motion by Councilman Joette Langianese to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. Motion seconded by Councilman Patricia Holyoak carried 7 – 0.

Grand County Council Chairman

ATTEST:

Grand County Clerk/Auditor