

Initial Public Meeting of Site Futures Committee
Subcommittee of Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee
February 4, 2013, 1:00 pm
APPROVED MINUTES
Board Room, Grand County Public Library
257 E. Center St.
Moab, Utah 84532

The following individuals were present:

Site Futures Committee (SFC) Members:

Norm Boyd, At-Large
Krissie Braun, Grand County Community Development
Sabrina Henry, National Park Service
Saxon Sharpe, At-Large
Rock Smith, BLM
Russ von Koch, At-Large, Interim Chair
Lee Shenton, County UMTRA Liaison (non-voting staff for SFC)

County Council

Pat Holyoak, Council Member and Co-Chair, Moab Tailings Project Steering Committee

The following Committee members were absent and no designee was present on their behalf: Donna Metzler (Moab City)

1. Call to Order – The meeting was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Interim Chair Russ von Koch.
2. Discussion Items
 - a. Introductions – Each person introduced themselves, noted whom they were representing and described briefly their background relevant to the SFC.
 - b. Review of Resolution – Russ reviewed the November, 2012, MTPSC resolution and rationale for establishing the SFC and its membership.
 - c. SFC Task and Work Products - Russ and the committee members discussed their purpose as mandated by the MTPSC resolution, i.e. to develop recommendations and work processes through a public planning process for potential future uses of the Moab mill site. They also discussed the purpose of 2010-11 preliminary work on site futures by an NPS-led focus group (NPS, BLM, Grand County, Moab City, DOE). However, the committee agreed not to discuss the output of the focus group, to avoid influencing the current work. Lee agreed to provide links to some pertinent DOE documents or web pages regarding the extent of ground water contamination. Russ agreed to request from the Moab UMTRA Project an update, if needed, to the site map and potential uses matrix that were developed in 2011. Russ reviewed the covenants and restrictions that were accepted when the property immediately south of the Moab Project site was donated to DOE in 2011. Lee agreed to provide a copy of these to the SFC. Lee agreed to research uses of the other UMTRA sites in our region such as Rifle, Durango, Grand Junction, Green River, Grants, Monticello, etc. Lee agreed to request a site tour of the Moab site for SFC before the next meeting. Russ

agreed to request a DOE - Legacy Management contact to get guidance on LM post-remediation procedures for the mill site.

- d. Milestones and Project Timeline – Pat noted that the County’s lobbying efforts could be aided if a vision were available in time for FY15 budgeting, i.e. before February, 2014. SFC agreed that a reasonable target would be the end of this year for an initial community vision. The following milestones were settled on by SFC to be achieved by the end of this year:

- Gather information (legal, physical, restrictions, etc.)
- Review information with Moab UMTRA Project team for accuracy
- Design public input process (timing, methods, etc)
- Conduct public outreach on potential issues (public scoping workshops, written and web comments)
- Compile comments
- Draft preliminary concepts
- Review concepts with agencies and Moab UMTRA Project team
- Brief the Steering Committee on SFC progress
- Conduct public review of concepts
- Draft an initial community vision
- Brief the Steering Committee and County Council
- Seek concurrence from NPS, BLM, Grand County and Moab City
- Design process for periodic updates to keep Community Vision current with changing circumstances

- e. General Frequency of Future Meetings – SFC agreed to meet again in three weeks, then two weeks later, then schedule further meetings based on the milestones achieved.

- f. Discussion of SFC Officer(s), Duties and Terms – SFC agreed that both a Chair and a Vice Chair should be elected, and that their terms should be one year. Lee records meetings and generates minutes so no need for Secretary at this time.

- g. Election of SFC Officer(s) – SFC elected Russ to continue as Chair, and elected Saxon as Vice Chair.

3. Future Considerations

- a. Future Meeting Dates and Suggested Agenda Items – Future meetings were set for Monday, February 25th from 1-3 PM and Monday, March 11th from 10 AM – noon. Suggested future agenda items include initial design of the public input process and review of site characteristics and conditions.

4. Meeting was adjourned at 3:21 PM. The next meeting is planned for Monday, February 25th.

Respectfully submitted,
Lee Shenton, Grand County UMTRA Liaison