



## GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Grand County Council Chambers  
125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

The Grand County Council met in a regular session on the above date in the Grand County Council Chambers of the Courthouse located at 125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah. The meeting was called to order by Council Chair Evan Clapper at 2:01 p.m. In attendance were Council Members Greg Halliday, Mary McGann, Rory Paxman, Evan Clapper, Jaylyn Hawks, Curtis Wells, Terry Morse, Clerk/Auditor Chris Baird, and Council Administrator Ruth Dillon. Also present were Uintah County Commissioners Brad Horrocks, Bill Stringer, Bart Haslem, and other Uintah County staff.

**2:00 p.m. Discussion with Uintah County Commissioners regarding Seep Ridge Road in the Book Cliffs**

Discussion was had regarding a right of way (ROW) application made by the Seven County Infrastructure Coalition (SCIC) to potentially build a paved highway from the P.R. Springs area in the Bookcliffs to I-70. The Uintah County Commissioners expressed that they were unaware of the SCIC's application for ROW to the BLM. Discussion was had regarding the potential recreational and tourism related benefits of the highway for the purposes of economic development. Some concerns were discussed relating to a lack of notice provided to Grand County, environmental impacts, costs, and effectiveness of the proposed highway.

The meeting was recessed at approximately 3:45 p.m.

Council Member Terry Morse left the meeting at this time.

### **Call to Order**

Chair Clapper called the meeting back to order at 4:09 p.m.

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by John West.

### **Approval of Minutes (Chris Baird, Clerk/Auditor)**

- A. **January 16, 2018 (County Council Meeting), Postponed from March 5, 2019**
- B. **June 19, 2018 (City/County Joint Meeting), Postponed from March 5, 2019**
- C. **November 20, 2018 (Canvass of the Election), Postponed from March 5, 2019**
- D. **March 5, 2019 (County Council Meeting), Postponed from March 19, 2019**
- E. **March 11, 2019 (County Council Special Meeting), Postponed from March 19, 2019**
- F. **March 19, 2019 (County Council Workshop & Regular Meeting), postponed from April 2, 2019**
- G. **March 20, 2019 (Joint City-County Council Special Meeting & Rep. John Curtis Town Hall), postponed from April 2, 2019**
- H. **April 2, 2019 (County Council Meeting)**

**Motion** by Council Member Hawks to approve items A – F. Motion seconded by Council Member Wells carries 6-0

**Motion** by Council Member Hawks to postpone items G-H. Motion seconded by Council Member Wells carries 6-0

### **Ratification of Payment of Bills**

**Motion** by Council Member Paxman to ratify payment of the bill is totaling \$1,222,592.61 (\$238,364.32 Payroll, \$984,228.29 Bills). Motion seconded by Council Member Wells carries 6-0 by rollcall vote.

### **General Council Reports and Future Considerations**

**Greg Halliday:** Sat on interview panel for the County fire Warden and Bruce Jenkins was selected. Met with the BLM concerning roads and the transportation plan. Attended a Transportation Special Service District meeting. Met with TJ Brewer, Moab Valley Fire Chief, concerning county-wide fire protection options. Attended a Museum presentation.

**Jaylyn Hawks:** Attended the Canyonlands Healthcare Special Service District Meeting, a League of Women Voters meeting, a Planning Commission meeting, and reminded the Council to speak clearly into the microphone.

**Mary McGann:** Attended a meeting regarding issues at the Millcreek Powerdam area, a Homeless Coordinating Committee meeting, and a Solid Waste Special Service District meeting.

**Curtis Wells:** Gave notice of a Forest Service planning meeting.

**Rory Paxman:** Attended an Airport Board meeting.

**Evan Clapper:** Attended a Trail Mix Committee meeting, a Cemetery District meeting, and visited with San Juan County commissioners at one of their regular meetings.

### **Elected Official Reports**

**Chris Baird:** Informed the Council that the annual audit will be beginning.

### **Council Administrator Report**

**Ruth Dillon:** Toured activities at the Airport.

### **Department Reports**

#### **I. 2018 Public Library Report (Carrie Valdes, Library Director)**

Carrie Valdes gave a presentation on the activities and statistics for the Library's 2018 year.

Bill Jackson gave a report on the progress of the BLM's travel management plan, the D road SITLA easement perfection grant opportunity from the CIB, and update on the Jackson Street Detention Basin project.

### **Agency Reports**

#### **J. Change in Form of Government Study Committee Update**

Bob Greenberg gave an update on the progress of the Study Committee

### **Citizens to Be Heard (None)**

## **Presentations**

- K. Presentation on Active Transportation and Trails (Maddie Logowitz, Active Transportation and Trails Manager and Tyson Swasey, Active Transportation and Trails Operations Coordinator – Division of Community & Economic Development Department)**

Maddie Logowitz and Tyson Swasey gave an update on Active Transportation and Trails activities.

### **General Business- Action Items- Discussion and Consideration of:**

- L. Approving proposed letter of support for a grant application for the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) to continue trail network improvements that will maintain a high-quality recreation experience (Maddie Logowitz, Active Transportation and Trails Manager)**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve the proposed letter of support, add “of” to the third line, and authorize the chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Paxman carries 6-0.

- M. Adopting proposed resolution supporting a shuttle system partnership for Arches National Park with the National Park Service, Moab City, and the Utah Department of Transportation (Michael Liss, Moab Transit Authority Study Committee Chair)**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to adopt the proposed resolution supporting a shuttle system partnership for Arches National Park with the National Park Service, Moab City, and the Utah Department of Transportation, and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Hawks.

**Substitute Motion** by Council Member Hawks to postpone to a later date. Substitute motion seconded by Council Member McGann carries 4-2 with Wells and Paxman opposed.

- N. Approving proposed job description and position for a GIS (Geographic Information System) Specialist (Matt Cenicerros, IT Director)**

**Motion** by Council Member McGann to approve the proposed Job Description and Position for a GIS Specialist at grade 12 and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Hawks carries 6-0.

- O. Approving Right-of-Way (ROW) grant to construct a turnaround area for emergency vehicles responding to the Mill Creek Power dam area (Bill Jackson, Roads & Bridges Supervisor)**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve Right-of-Way (ROW) grant to construct a turnaround area for emergency vehicles responding to the Mill Creek Power dam area and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Paxman carries 6-0.

- P. Approving proposed letter to Grand County Elected Officials regarding monthly Elected Official Meetings (Council Member Wells)**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve the proposed letter and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member McGann.

**Substitute Motion** by Council Member McGann to approve the proposed letter replacing the term “monthly” with “regularly” and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Substitute motion seconded by Council Member Paxman carries 6-0.

- Q. Approving proposed letter to invite San Juan County Commission regarding a joint meeting between the governing bodies of Grand and San Juan Counties (Council Member Wells)**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve the proposed letter and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member McGann carries 6-0.

**R. Adopting proposed resolution approving a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Ballard RV Park Expansion located at Highway 94 & Nutter Avenue in Thompson, Utah (Kenny Gordon, Planning & Zoning Administrator)**

**Motion** by Council Member Paxman to adopt proposed resolution approving a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for Ballard RV Park Expansion located at Highway 94 & Nutter Avenue in Thompson, Utah, and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Wells carries 6-0.

**S. Authorizing process for vacating or maintaining the East two hundred (200) feet of the Block "A" alley between Main Street and Fullerton Street in Thompson Springs (Kenny Gordon, Planning & Zoning Administrator)**

**Motion** by Council Member McGann to direct staff to send a letter indicating that the County wishes to maintain due to lack of reason to vacate and authorize the chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday.

**Substitute Motion** by Council Member Hawks to direct staff to send a letter indicating that the County wishes to maintain the right of way due to lack of reason to vacate and authorize the chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member McGann carries 5-1 with Wells opposed.

**Motion** by Council Member McGann to bring agenda item U forward. Motion seconded by Council Member Hawks carries 6-0

**U. Approving letter of support to U.S. Department of Transportation –EAS (Essential Air Service) and Domestic Analysis Division regarding the recommendation for seasonal EAS at Canyonlands Field Airport**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve the letter of support to U.S. Department of Transportation –EAS (Essential Air Service) and Domestic Analysis Division regarding the recommendation for seasonal Essential Air Services at Canyonlands Field Airport and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday fails 2-2-2 with Wells and Halliday in favor, Clapper and Hawks opposed, and Paxman and McGann abstaining.

**Consent Agenda- Action Items**

**T. Ratifying Council Member McGann's signature on a letter of support for Moab Valley Multicultural Center to submit a grant application for homelessness related services in Grand County**

~~**U. Approving letter of support to U.S. Department of Transportation –EAS (Essential Air Service) and Domestic Analysis Division regarding the recommendation for seasonal EAS at Canyonlands Field Airport**~~

**V. Approving application for retail beer license (limited-service restaurant liquor license) for Hidden Cuisine, located at 2740 South Highway 191**

**W. Approving proposed grant agreement between Utah Department of Agriculture & Food and the Noxious Weed Department for invasive species mitigation**

**Motion** by Council Member Wells to approve items T, V, W, and authorize the Chair to sign all associated documents. Motion carries 5-0 with Council Member McGann temporarily out of the room.

**Discussion Items**

**X. Discussion on calendar items and public notices**

Ruth Dillon led the discussion of the calendar items and public notices.

**Y. Continued discussion on progress with Land Use Code amendment discussions by the Planning Commission to address concerns outlined in the moratorium that**

**prohibits new land use applications or permits for overnight accommodations in unincorporated Grand County through approximately August 4, 2019**

Discussion was had regarding the "steering committee", the activities of the planning commission, and the progress in planning and land use code amendments.

**Z. Update on legislative appropriation for USU Extension facilities (Council Member Wells)**

Council member Wells gave an update on legislative funding approval for the USU Extension facilities.

**Public Hearings- Possible Action Items**

**AA. Public Hearing to solicit public input on a proposed Planned Unit Development (PUD) in the Wingate Village, located at 3318 S. Willow Tree Road (Kenny Gordon, Planning & Zoning Administrator)**

Chair Clapper opened the public hearing.

Discussion was had regarding setbacks and deed restrictions.

No public comments were received.

The hearing will be held open for written comments until May 1<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.

**6:00 p.m. or later**

**BB. Public Hearing to solicit public input on proposed amendments to the 2019 Consolidated Fee Schedule Ordinance regarding fee waivers for 1.) Governmental entities; 2.) Development activity attributable to affordable housing; or 3.) Other development activity with a broad public purpose (Kaitlin Myers, Community & Economic Development Specialist)**

Chair Clapper opened the public hearing.

Kaitlin Myers presented.

Clerk-Auditor Chris Baird indicated that the impact fee ordinance would also have to be amended in addition to the Consolidated Fee Schedule.

No public comments were received.

The hearing will be held open for written comments until May 1<sup>st</sup> at 5 p.m.

**Closed Session(s):**

**1. Character, Professional Competence or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual**

**Motion** by Council Member Hawks to enter closed session to discuss the character, professional competence or physical or mental health of an individual. Motion seconded by Council Member McGann carries 6-0.

The Council entered closed session at 8:32 p.m.

**Motion** by Council Member McGann to leave closed session. Motion seconded by Council Member Wells carries 6-0.

The Council left closed session at 8:41 p.m.

**2. Purchase, Exchange, Lease or Sale of Real Property, including any form of a water right or water shares**

**Motion** by Council Member Hawks to enter closed session to discuss the purchase, exchange, lease or sale of Real Property, including any form of water right or water shares. Motion seconded by Council Member McGann carries 6-0.

The Council entered closed session at 8:43 p.m.

**Motion** by Council Member McGann to leave closed session. Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday carries 6-0.

The Council left closed session at 9:02 p.m.

**Adjourn**

Chair Clapper adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Chris Baird – Clerk/Auditor

COUNCIL:



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Evan Clapper – Council Chair