

COMMISSION MINUTES

March 11, 2019

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this eleventh day of March, 2019. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Garth 'Tooter' Ogden, Scott Johnson, and Ralph Brown in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall, County Attorney Dale Eyre, and Executive Administrator Malcolm Nash were also present.

Commission business:

Commissioner Johnson reported that he had met with the Balloon Festival Committee in Salina, and they are getting ready for the activity in June. He also reported on the Salina Chamber of Commerce meeting that he had attended with Trent Wilson, USU, who was showing a presentation on the online training through USU to locate telecommute jobs to rural Utah.

Commissioner Ogden then discussed that Representative Albrecht has been involved with the online initiative with rural areas and trying to get more money through the legislature for that as it has been going very well, and some of their funding has been strained a little bit. The program allows rural people to get on-line jobs.

Executive Director Malcolm Nash then reported that so far he had received one response on the RFP that was sent out for the landfill study that they are planning. He will meet with the Commissioners at a later time to go over that response.

Minutes of February 25th Commission meeting approved:

Minutes of the February 25th Commission meeting were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Johnson, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Payment approval report for February approved:

The Commission then reviewed the payment approval report for the month of February. Commissioner Brown moved to approve the report, second Commissioner Johnson, unanimous.

Refund on Stipulation agreement approved:

Assessor Amy Garren-Clark then reported that there had been an appeal in value for 2018 with the State Tax Commission for Daniel and Amber Riddle, and through the process there was a stipulation agreement setting the value with the property owners and the State Tax Commission setting the value of the property at approximately \$20,870. The stipulation agreement resulted in a reduced value, and a refund of \$112.08. Commissioner Brown noted that this involved a family member and he would abstain from the discussion and the decision. After discussion, Commissioner Johnson moved to accept the Stipulation agreement setting the value for tax year 2018 at the purchase price less one share of water, and approve the refund as determined, second Commissioner Ogden. Motion passed.

Board of Equalization:

At 1:40 p.m., Commissioner Brown then moved to recess the regular meeting to go into a Board of Equalization to review the Religious, Charitable, and Educational Exemption requests for 2019, second Commissioner Johnson, unanimous.

Lead Deputy Clerk/Auditor Barbara Crowther then reviewed with the Commission the list of organizations requesting exempt status on the parcels and real property listed. She reviewed those that have had the exemption prior years, the new applications that had been received, and noted that all had been received in a timely manner with the exception of the Quality for Animal Life application which was

postmarked after the due date of March 1st and received at a later time. The new applications included Utah Housing Corporation, and the Koosharem Band of Paiute Indians of Utah. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the list as presented with the exception of the Quality for Animal Life and deny that request because the application was late filing, second Commissioner Johnson, unanimous.

Regular meeting then resumed at 1:48 p.m.

2019 Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement with Fishlake National Forest approved:

Sheriff Curtis then reviewed with the Commission the 2019 Cooperative Law Enforcement Agreement between the Sevier County Sheriff's Office and the USDA Forest Service Fishlake National Forest in the amount of \$20,000 for the fiscal year 2019. After discussion, Commissioner Johnson moved to approve the agreement, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Public hearing set for Planned Unit Development Application for RV Park:

Commissioner Ogden then reviewed the public hearing notice to set a public hearing for March 25, 2019, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commission Chambers to consider an application for a Planned Unit Development from Danny Levie to construct and operate an RV Park in the Sevier area. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to ratify notice of the hearing setting that date and time for the public hearing, second Commissioner Johnson, unanimous.

Items declared surplus:

The Commission then reviewed a list of surplus items along with a proposed method of disposition for items broken, obsolete, or no longer being used. After discussion, Commissioner Johnson moved to declare the items on the list surplus and authorize their disposal as indicated, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

New hires approved for Jail and EMS Departments:

Human Resource Director LeighAnn Wheeler reported on the results of the hiring process and interviews for the part-time RN at the County Jail. She recommended hiring Heather Lundgreen with a start date of March 18, 2019, at Grade 22 at a rate of \$27.90 per hour. Ms. Wheeler also reported that they had interviewed and hired for the two part-time Advanced EMT positions. She recommended hiring Carlene Scott and Charlene Avery with a start date of March 11, 2019, Grade 13 at \$15.60 per hour. The Commission then discussed that there is a full-time nursing position at the jail that they are unable to fill at this time. They will continue with that process to find a full-time nurse. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to ratify the hires as discussed, second Commissioner Johnson, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:05 p.m.