

COMMISSION MINUTES

June 12, 2017

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this twelfth day of June, 2017. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Garth 'Tooter' Ogden, Kenneth May and Ralph Brown in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall, and Executive Administrator Malcolm Nash were also present.

Minutes of May 22nd Commission Meeting approved:

Minutes of the May 22nd Commission Meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner May, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Claims for May approved:

Claims for the month of May were reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

Commission business:

Commissioner Ogden gave an update on the WIR (Western Interstate Region) meetings he had attended.

Commissioner Ogden then reported that the County had received a dividend check from the Worker's Compensation Fund Insurance in the amount of \$4,763, which is 7.5% of our premium. He then commended the County for safety, and being aware and keeping our costs down.

Travel Council recommendations accepted:

Tourism Director Kevin Arrington then met with the Commission to review the recommendations from the Travel Council for expenditures. The Commission discussed the additional request from Wes Sine to add more money into a program to bring people here to ski and attend the National Parks in the area. The Council felt they had already put enough money into that, and wanted to wait to see what the results of their initial assistance yielded before adding any more money. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the funding requests as recommended by the Travel Council, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

Date and Time of Public Hearing set:

The Commission then discussed setting a date and time for a public hearing on two new ordinances, including: An ordinance prohibiting double employment by employees, and an updated ordinance for Mosquito Abatement establishing a no-spray zone in Sevier County. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to set July 10th at 2:30 p.m. as a time for the public hearing on those two ordinances, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Bookmobile Agreement approved:

The Commission then reviewed the renewal of the Bookmobile Agreement with the Utah State Library Division. The Commission noted the great benefit the bookmobile is to the residents of the County. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to approve the renewal agreement for the coming year, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Resolution 2017-6-1 adopted setting certified tax rates:

Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall then discussed with the Commissioners the proposed tax rates to generate money budgeted for the 2017 year. Clerk/Auditor Wall said the certified tax rate for the 2017 General and Debt Service Funds is 0.004365, and 0.000512 for the County Assessing/Collecting rate. He recommended adoption of these rates, which would provide the most funding and not require truth in

taxation. Clerk/Auditor Wall explained that the Multi-County Assessing/Collecting rate would be set later by the State. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to adopt Resolution 2017-6-1 setting the tax rates for 2017 as recommended, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

2017 Tax Sale ratified:

Clerk/Auditor Wall then reviewed the results of the Tax Sale, which was held in May, on the properties 5 years delinquent on taxes. He reported that most of the properties had been redeemed before the sale, there were four that had gone to the sale and were sold, and one property with a discrepancy in the title that had been removed prior to the sale. After review and discussion, Commissioner May moved to ratify the tax sale and proceedings, and authorize the tax deeds be issued for the four properties that were sold, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Jail agreement and Court Security/Bailiff agreement signed:

Sheriff Nate Curtis then reviewed with the Commission a renewal of a contract with the Department of Corrections for Inmate Services, noting there was a slight increase of approximately \$0.50 per day for the State inmates, and there was some additional monies for those that are involved in a certified program. Sheriff Curtis then reviewed the renewal of the Court Security and Bailiff Services Contract with the District Court. He reported that because of funding issues the State had cut back funding of the program by approximately 6%, which all of the counties throughout the State would have to absorb in their budgets. After further discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve both contracts as outlined, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

Sealed bids opened, surplus parcels awarded:

The Commission then opened the sealed bids on parcels 4-63-6 and 4-319-11, which had been advertised for sale. Parcel 4-63-6 received one bid from Randy Crane in the amount of \$375, which did meet the minimum bid requirements. Parcel 4-319-11 received two bids: one from John Hawley in the amount of \$1,400, and the other from Sevier Heating and Air Conditioning in the amount of \$800. After discussion and review, Commissioner May moved to award the bid on the 4-319-11 to John Hawley for \$1,400, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous. Commissioner May then moved to award the bid on 4-63-6 to Randy Crane, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Business licenses approved:

The Commission then reviewed business license applications. One from Seth Thurgood for Thurgood and Sons Construction, and the other a request from Joelle McCarthy for Corn Creek Fiber. Zoning Administrator Jason Mackelprang reported that he had reviewed both business licenses, they did fit the zoning in those areas, and he recommended their approval. The Commission also reviewed a beer license renewal for the Big Rock Candy Mountain convenience store. The beer license had been reviewed and approved by Sheriff Curtis, and Zoning Administrator Jason Mackelprang. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to approve the business licenses for Thurgood and Sons Construction at a fee of \$50 per year, Corn Creek Fiber at a fee of \$25 per year, and the beer license renewal for Big Rock Candy Mountain, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Appropriation of Forfeiture funds recognized, purchases authorized:

County Attorney Dale Eyre and Sheriff Nate Curtis then reported to the Commission that the County was receiving some appropriation of forfeiture funds in the amount of \$12,000 from a drug case that had gone through the courts. County Attorney Eyre reminded the Commissioners that he had received similar funding at the end of last year which he had used to purchase electronic equipment that is now being used in the court system, and he recommended that this funding be used by the Sheriff as it is to be used for drug interdiction or related expenditures. Sheriff Curtis reported he would like to use the funds to upgrade the interview room because the equipment there is getting old and they are having trouble with the

recording of the interviews and transmitting that information to the Courts, and to send some of his deputies to the Desert Snow training, which is for drug interdiction. Sheriff Curtis also recommended purchase of a computer software program and equipment that would allow them to download information off of cell phones and i-pads, etc. which they can use to tie individuals back to drug trafficking, etc. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to recognize the forfeiture funds coming in , and authorize the Sheriff to expend the funds as needed towards drug interdiction up to the \$12,000 with monies not spent going into the General Fund, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:45 p.m.