

## COMMISSION MINUTES

**August 13, 2018**

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this thirteenth day of August, 2018. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Garth 'Tooter' Ogden, Ken 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.

### **Commission business:**

Commissioner Ogden reported he thought the fair went exceptionally well, and he was very impressed the activities and the changes that were made this year. He said he felt the rodeo went better being on Friday/Saturday this year, and thanked Tourism Director Chad McWilliams and all of the volunteers who had helped.

Commissioner Brown echoed Commissioner Ogden's comments on the fair, and also stated that we had good talents this year, and the concert seemed to enjoy increased attendance.

Commissioner May stated that the Fair turned out great. He especially liked the cooking competition.

### **Minutes for July 23<sup>rd</sup> Commission Meeting approved:**

Minutes of the July 23<sup>rd</sup> Commission Meeting were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner May, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

### **Claims for July approved:**

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

### **Sevier County Joins Class Action Lawsuit with other Counties:**

The Commission then discussed the request they had received concerning the class action lawsuit between Kane County and the United States filing for full payment of PILT monies (Payment in Lieu of Taxes) from the Federal Government. The approximate amount due to Sevier County if they had received full payment would be \$77,000. There will be no fee or cost to the County unless there is some recovery. If the case is successful, the attorneys handling the case would receive approximately 30% of any funds received. Commissioner Brown expressed concern about whether or not Sevier County should participate in this, that the County Attorney did not feel it would be worth our efforts because it was a legislative issue. Commissioner Ogden and Commissioner May reported that they had checked into it and determined it was a decision of the budget officer and it was not a legislative issue, and in speaking with the other counties they noted it would be beneficial to the County as we may be able to get something out of it at no cost and little effort to the County. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to authorize the Chairman to opt in to the class action lawsuit, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

### **Items declared surplus, authorized for disposal:**

The Commissioners then reviewed a request to surplus four items that no longer work and need to be disposed of. After review and discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the surplus of the items as recommended and authorize their disposal, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

### **County Policies regarding expenses adopted:**

HR Deputy Kelly Stevens then reviewed with the Commissioners Section 11A Travel Expenses and Section 11B Other Expenses to make the policy more understandable. She noted that the proposed policies had been through a committee, the Department Heads, the County Attorney and the Commission

to simplify and streamline travel expense reimbursements. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to adopt Section 11A and Section 11B of the County Policies, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

**Business Associate Agreement with GBS Benefits, Inc. approved:**

The Commission then reviewed a Business Associate Agreement between Sevier County and our current insurance brokers, GBS Benefits, Inc. for their work with our health insurance and benefits. Their prior contract had expired, and the new contract had been reviewed by HR Director LeighAnn Wheeler and County Attorney Dale Eyre and they recommend its approval. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Business Associate Agreement, second Commissioner May, unanimous.

**Services Contract with Busk, Inc. for parking lot improvements approved:**

The Commission then reviewed a Services Contract between Sevier County and Busk Inc. to do a portion of the parking lot upgrades at the Fairgrounds that was approved previously. After discussion, Commissioner May moved to ratify the Services Agreement between Sevier County and Busk Incorporated for their portion of work at the Fairgrounds parking lot, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m.