

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MILLARD COUNTY THE 3rd DAY OF MAY, 2022  
AT THE COURTHOUSE, FILLMORE, UTAH

PRESENT: Evelyn Warnick. . . . . Chairperson  
Dean Draper. . . . . Commissioner  
Bill Wright. . . . . Commissioner  
Pat Finlinson. . . . . County Attorney  
Marki Rowley. . . . . County Clerk  
Kayla Freeman. . . . . Deputy County Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Sierra Dickens . . . . . County Recorder  
Sheri Dearden . . . . . County Treasurer  
Pat Bennett, Lindsay Mitchell, and Rob Clark . . . . . Sheriff’s Office  
Kim Rowell . . . . . EMS Director  
Bonnie Smith . . . . . County Auditor  
Brenden Turner . . . . . County Recreation  
Kevin Morris . . . . . County Tourism  
Denis Alldedge . . . . . Fillmore City  
Doug Jolley and Gina Dellapiana . . . . . Citizen  
Matt Ward . . . . . Millard County Chronicle Progress

PURSUANT TO AN AGENDA WHICH HERETOFORE HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO each member of the governing body, posted at the principal office of the Millard County Commission, posted on the Utah Public Notice Website, and provided to the Millard County Chronicle Progress, a newspaper of general circulation within Millard County, Utah, as required by law, the following proceedings were had:

PUBLIC WAS WELCOMED

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. after a brief welcome by Commissioner Warnick to the public and Commission members.

OPENING STATEMENTS

Commissioner Warnick excused Attorney Finlinson from the beginning of the meeting then gave an opening statement in recognition of this week being National Correctional Officers week, thanking the officers for their service. Commissioner Draper said the invocation. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF APRIL 19, 2022 COMMISSION MINUTES

The proposed minutes of a regular County Commission meeting held April 19, 2022 were

presented for consideration and approval. Following review and consideration of minor corrections, Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of April 19, 2022, as corrected.

Commissioner Draper SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS FROM APRIL 19, 2022

There were none.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE TOURISM DIRECTOR SPECIAL APPOINTMENT MONTHLY EXTENSION

Commissioner Warnick clarified that it was not needed to approve the Tourism Director Special Appointment Extension monthly, but rather every two months in advance.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR JOSH'S ODD JOBS, LLC, OWNER, OWNER - JOSHUA PAINTER

A business license application was presented for Josh's Odd Jobs, LLC, Owner- Joshua Painter, a handyman service business. After review of the application and finding all signatures in order, Commissioner Draper made a motion to approve a business license for Josh's Odd Jobs, LLC, Owner - Joshua Painter.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### OPENING AND POSSIBLE AWARDING OF BIDS FOR AN AMBULANCE

Attorney Finlinson joined the meeting.

Auditor Smith opened the following bids:

- Professional Sales and Service at \$227,838.38 with a delivery date of 2023.
- Rocky Mountain Emergency Vehicles at \$20,9953.00 with a delivery date of three weeks

Rocky Mountain Emergency Vehicles also sent a letter, which EMS Director Kim Rowell read, that explained the price increase from the previously quoted amount due to material cost increases. See Attachment A: Letter from Rocky Mountain Emergency Vehicles

Commissioner Draper asked for Director Rowell's preference, which was Rocky Mountain Emergency Vehicles. Captain Patrick Bennett agreed.

Auditor Smith stated that more ARPA Funds would be needed to cover the cost difference from what was previously approved. Approximately \$32,000.00 is now needed.

Commissioner Warnick stated that there should be extra funds available.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to accept the bids, as presented, and to award the bid to Rocky Mountain Emergency Services.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AMBULANCE ABATEMENTS

Ms. Lindsay Mitchell presented an ambulance abatement application from Rebeca Villanueva in the amount of \$4,834.49.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to abate \$4,334.49 of the ambulance bill for Rebeca Vilanueva.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

Ms. Mitchell presented an ambulance abatement application from Juan Valadez Avelar in the amount of \$8,139.70.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to abate \$7,039.70 of the ambulance bill for Juan Valadez Avelar.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT FOR A COMMUNITY ARTS CENTER IN THE ARMORY BUILDING

Attorney Finlinson presented a draft amendment of the lease agreement between the County and Fillmore City in regards to the Armory Building, allowing for its usage as a Community Arts Center for one year.

Doug Jolley provided a brief synopsis regarding the need for a Community Arts Center in order to expand upon the classes offered. He intends to start moving equipment as soon as possible, in order to start providing classes during the summer.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve a contract for a Community Arts Center in the Armory Building for one year.

Commissioner Draper SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE AWARDING OF DASH-CAM BID FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Captain Bennett and Lieutenant Clark presented the Sheriff's Office decision to accept

Motorola Solutions' bid in the amount of \$273,800.00 for 30 vehicle cams and wireless microphones. They use the same Spellman record management software currently used by the Sheriff's office, which will allow for quicker integration. Motorola Solutions had provided a few devices for officers to test and they worked very well.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to award the dash-cam bid for the Sheriff's Office to Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$273,800.00.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A CELL PHONE ALLOWANCE FOR BONNIE SMITH, VICKIE BENNETT, SHANNON LOVELL, SHERI DEARDEN, DEB ARNOLD, KRISTINE CAMP, KYLE YATES, AND MIKE TURNER

Auditor Smith provided the total yearly cost of \$50,240.00 for the 75 employees with a monthly cell phone allowance. There are four allowance tiers \$120.00; \$80.00; \$60.00; and \$40.00 per month. Since two factor authentication has widely been implemented, as well as the need for cell phones to complete financial processes, cell phone and data usage has increased. Treasurer Dearden explained that a cell phone is needed in order to accomplish required work on a daily basis.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to approve a cell phone allowance of \$120.00 each to Auditor Bonnie Smith and Treasurer Sheri Dearden, and \$40.00 each to Vickie Bennett, Shannon Lovell, Deb Arnold, Kristine Camp, Kyle Yates, and Mike Turner.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF VISTAWORKS SOFTWARE PURCHASE FOR MILLARD COUNTY TRAIL DIGITIZATION PROJECT

Tourism Director Kevin Morris explained that the purpose of this software is to digitally map all County trails that can then be accessed through an user friendly, public app. This will also help Search and Rescue in cases of emergencies. For continuity, the mapping software needs to match other counties so there is consistency within the app as trails cross county borders. Juab and Beaver Counties have already agreed to Vistaworks. Commissioner Warnick requested a demonstration of the software with the tourism department.

Commissioner Draper made a motion to approve the Vistaworks Software Purchase as long as it is a single source.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

#### MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW

Auditor Smith and Treasurer Dearden presented the findings from the March 2022 financial

review held, Monday April 25, 2022. Percentage differences from March 2021 were due to one time charges.

Auditor Smith also explained that the independent 2021 audit being completed by Larson and Co. is currently underway, with the final report due to the State June 30, 2022.

## PUBLIC INPUT

Gina Dellapiano questioned why a cell phone allowance is needed for employees and why Attorney Finlinson does not use his stipend. Attorney Finlinson explained that his cell phone usage is different than the Auditor's Office or the Treasurer's Office and that he has a mobile hotspot device that he uses instead of his phone.

## OTHER BUSINESS

A resident from the Cove Fort area approached Commissioner Draper about issues with the current trash disposal process. Commissioner Wright will work with the County Landfill Manager to add them in conjunction with Kanosh and Meadow pickups using the smaller, more cost effective compactors.

Commissioner Warnick brought up concerns in regards to the Juneteenth State Holiday as Motor Vehicle will be closed in Salt Lake; this will affect two offices within the County. The Courts will be closed as well.

Commissioner Warnick received word from Cameron Cowan, the general manager from the Intermountain Power Agency (IPA), informing her that IPA cannot commit to the deadline included in the proposals with the County due to another commitment and asked for more time.

Commissioner Draper expounded upon the issue stating that "the County made an offer and it's negotiations over property taxes with the Intermountain Power Agency. It had a time line attached to it. Commissioner Warnick has referenced that they said that they couldn't comply with that time deadline. Therefore, her request was do we extend it. I don't think we extend it. I think we just see what it is when they respond when they get around to responding."

Commissioner Wright added that there is nothing that can be done to expedite the process and so the only option is to wait until IPA is able to respond and/or commit.

Commissioner Draper invited County Planner Adam Richins to present information he received from Intermountain Power Plant (IPP) in Los Angeles (LA) concerning the projected number of employees coming to work on projects in Utah. By end of the 2022 year, 296 projected employees and their families are expected to arrive with an increase to 1000 by Fall 2023. Commissioner Warnick invited Planner Richins to present this data at the next city mayors meeting.

Commissioner Draper stated that of the \$8,000,000,000.00 grant recently passed by the Biden Administration for hydrogen clean energy usage, \$504,000,000.00 is to be sent to IPP to convert the plant from coal to hydrogen energy production. Mitsubishi, in a meeting with County Commissioners, stated that they will need 15 salt caverns in order to run the required generators.

They are starting to build them now. They are also developing new furnaces for this system. \$2,000,000,000.00 in bonds were also issued by the Los Angeles Department of Power and Water to fund this project.

Planner Richins explained that the County Planning Office will help manage these builds as well as the State and third party inspectors dependant on the situation and building codes. The County Planning Office is expanding as well to include a new part-time position.

Matt Ward from the Millard County Chronicle Progress expounded upon the bonds, having held an interview with IPP. The bonds are priced to sell well on market, with a purchasing window closing May 12, 2022. A portion of the proceeds will be going towards the IPP hydrogen conversion project through 2023. The rest is going to Southern Transmission System upgrades.

Commissioner Draper explained that the power line between IPP and LA is called the Southern Transmission System and will require written and physical changes to support the IPP project.

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COUNTY BOARDS

There was none.

#### POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF APPLICATION(S) FOR SETTLEMENT OR DEFERRAL OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX

There was none.

#### DISCUSSIONS FROM EACH COMMISSIONER, COUNTY ATTORNEY, ELECTED OFFICIAL AND SECRETARY

Attorney Finlinson informed the Commission that Chief Deputy Attorney Kaela Jackson is out for a while, but that the Attorney's Office is covering her duties.

Commissioner Draper reported that he and other County Officials attended the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) Convention held in Ogden, Utah where county officials from across the State receive instruction on changes to legislation and insight on mutual problems. Multiple subjects were shared and discussed, but water is always a big issue. House Bill 242 passed which requires metering of pressurized agricultural secondary water systems. This will affect municipalities and farmers in this County.

#### POSSIBLE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (BOE) DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

There was none.

#### POSSIBLE REVIEW OF COUNTY POLICIES AND CONTRACTS

There was none.

POSSIBLE CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 52-4-204 & 205

There was none.

WHERE UPON THE MEETING ADJOURNED

Commissioner Warnick adjourned the meeting at 11 :49 .am..

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_

Approved: \_\_\_\_\_