

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MILLARD COUNTY THE 4TH DAY OF MARCH, 2025
AT THE COURTHOUSE, FILLMORE, UTAH

PRESENT: Trevor Johnson..... Chairperson
Bill Wright..... Commissioner
Vicki Lyman..... Commissioner

Elise Harris..... Interim County Attorney
Kayla Freeman..... Deputy County Clerk

EXCUSED: Marki Rowley. County Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Kristine Camp..... County Treasurer
Vickie Bennett..... County Chief Deputy Auditor
Jacob Nielson..... County HR Director
Adam Richins County Planner
Nathan Strait and Richard Anderson..... Central Utah Counseling Center
Colin Christensen..... Outdoor Ops
Jose Ismael Moya and Jose Ismael Moya Sanchez. Moya Trucking

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 Johnson to the public and Commission members.

OPENING STATEMENTS

Commissioner Wright said the invocation. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 18, 2025 COMMISSION MINUTES

The proposed minutes of a regular County Commission meeting held February 18, 2025 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review and consideration of minor corrections, Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of February 18, 2025 as corrected.

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

FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS FROM FEBRUARY 18, 2025

There were none.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW

Treasurer Camp and Chief Deputy Auditor Bennett presented the monthly financial review for January 2025.

IGP WAIVERS

Deputy Clerk Freeman presented IGP waiver for t-ball and for coach pitch, in the amount of \$40.00 each.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve two IGP waivers, one for t-ball and one for coach pitch, in the amount of \$40.00 each.

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

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR SPOTLESS SWEEP, LLC, OWNER -MCKINSEY M. LOVELL

A business license application was presented for Spotless Sweep, LLC, Owner -Mckinsey M. Lovell, a commercial, business, and residential cleaning business. After review of the application and finding all signatures in order, Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve a business license for Spotless Sweep, LLC, Owner -Mckinsey M. Lovell.

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

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY (ALA) GIRLS STATE CONVENTION

Deputy Clerk Freeman read an email from Sarah Richins who was not able to attend. See Attachment A.

Chief Deputy Auditor Smith explained that this has been an annual request, with the County consistently supporting the program through Fund 22 under miscellaneous projects.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the contribution of \$250.00 for each girl attending the convention.

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

PRESENTATION OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR FOR THE CENTRAL UTAH COUNSELING CENTER- NATHAN STRAIT AND RICHARD ANDERSON

Nathan Strait and Richard Anderson introduced themselves before beginning their presentation on the independent audit for the Central Utah Counseling Center.

Mr. Anderson explained the County's financial support for the Center, confirming no compliance issues. He discussed state funding for key projects and how funds are tracked. He noted that \$2,200,000 was withdrawn from reserves in 2024 to finish ongoing projects funded by grants and ARPA funds, which were essential for the Center's mission and infrastructure improvements.

Mr. Strait commended the auditors for the work they have done.

Commissioner Wright asked how many centers there are throughout the State.

Mr. Strait said that there are thirteen different counseling centers throughout the State.

Commissioner Wright inquired about the stability of future funding.

Mr. Strait responded that, based on their assessments, the funding appears to be stable. He assured the Commission that they would continue to be available to meet the needs of the counties.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE MEDA BOARD PROPOSAL FOR DISTRIBUTION OF THE RURAL COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT GRANT

Colin Christensen from Outdoor Ops gave an overview of his company's history with the MEDA Board and their funding efforts. He explained that if awarded \$160,000.00, the funds would go toward buying essential equipment, improving the company's operations, and creating immediate job opportunities. He also discussed other projects his company has invested in, noting their long-term benefits for the County, including economic growth, infrastructure development, and local services. This new investment would create jobs and strengthen the local economy.

Planner Richins explained the Rural County Economic Development program, its goals, and the requirements for accessing its funds. He highlighted how Mr. Christensen's grant request meets the program's criteria, especially its focus on job creation.

Commissioner Lyman asked if the funding was a revolving loan or a grant, to which Planner Richins confirmed it was a grant, not a loan.

Commissioner Johnson asked about the MEDA Board's recommendation for the project. Planner Richins said that the Board formally recommends awarding the funds to Mr. Christensen, but that they would work on improving communication regarding their recommendations in the future.

Commissioner Wright, having reviewed the situation, expressed concerns about awarding all the funds to a single applicant, preferring to spread them across multiple initiatives. He affirmed Mr. Christensen could request additional funds in the future along with other applicants.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve \$80,000.00 for Outdoor Ops, but the motion failed for lack of a second.

Commissioner Johnson expressed his opinion that distributing smaller amounts to more people would not be a sound economic decision, as it would reduce the impact of the funds and fail to promote significant economic growth. He argued that it should either be an all-encompassing amount or an amount that would make a tangible difference. He asked how much would be useful.

Commissioner Lyman inquired if there were many applicants for the grant.

Planner Richins responded that while there were a few other applicants, none met all the criteria like Outdoor Ops did. He emphasized that this request aligned with the goal of developing the area and would allow Outdoor Ops to self-fund.

Mr. Christensen explained that the \$160,000.00 would cover most of the cost of two pieces of equipment, with the company funding the rest. This would allow them to begin work immediately after the purchase. He also said that a fire suppression system has been established on site.

Commissioner Johnson made a recommendation to the MEDA Board that they provide supporting documentation that justifies the requested funds when applicable.

Planner Richins asked how the MEDA Board's recommendations should be presented to the Commission.

Commissioner Johnson recommended that the MEDA Board keep the Commission informed of all the steps throughout the application process.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve funding \$160,000.00 to Outdoor Ops.

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

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING PUBLIC COMMENT ON ZONING ORDINANCE MAP AMENDMENT APPLICATION # Z-2025-006, REQUESTING TO CHANGE THE ZONING OF 17.0 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 17175 S HIGHWAY 161 (COVE FORT) FROM RANGE & FOREST (RF) TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (HC). JOSE ISMAEL MOYA & JOSE ISMAEL MOYA SANCHEZ, APPLICANTS

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to enter into a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on Zoning Ordinance Map Amendment Application # Z-2025-006, requesting to change the zoning of 17.0 Acres of property located at approximately 17175 S Highway 161 (Cove Fort) from Range & Forest (RF) to Highway Commercial (HC). Jose Ismael Moya & Jose Ismael Moya Sanchez, Applicants.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The public hearing began at 11:12 a.m..

Present were: Treasurer Camp, Chief Deputy Bennett, Planner Richins, HR Director Nielson, Jose Ismael Moya and Jose Ismael Moya Sanchez.

Mr. Moya explained the application and plans to build a diesel shop.

The Commission offered its support of this project.

Planner Richins said that the Planning and Zoning Commission give a favorable recommendation and explained that it is by the highway and not near any of the residential houses.

There were no other comments made.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to close the public hearing.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The public hearing closed at approximately 11:16 a.m..

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 25-03-04 AN ORDINANCE OF THE MILLARD COUNTY COMMISSION, CHANGING THE ZONING OF 17.0 ACRES OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT APPROXIMATELY 17175 S HIGHWAY 161 (COVE FORT) FROM RANGE & FOREST (RF) TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (HC)

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 25-03-04, an ordinance of the Board of County Commissioners of Millard County, Utah, change the zoning of 17.0 Acres of property located at approximately 17175 S Highway 161 (Cove Fort) from Range & Forest (RF) to Highway Commercial (HC).

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. Deputy Clerk Freeman called for a roll call vote. Commissioner Lyman voted YES. Commissioner Wright voted YES. Commissioner Johnson voted YES. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION WITH FILLMORE CITY REGARDING FRONTAGE ROADS IN FILLMORE AND CLASS C FUNDING

Interim Attorney Harris explained that the City wants to take over and expand a frontage road, but there was confusion about whether it's a county road. She will research it further and try to resolve it with a contract, not by changing the road's classification. UDOT also expressed concerns about maintaining the road if it became a Fillmore City road.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Lyman talked about the Road Department's plan to sell a trailer to the Landfill. There was disagreement regarding the price and an issue with the VIN numbers. She assured the matter would be worked out.

Commissioner Wright also mentioned hearing about the issue and pointed out a discrepancy in the trailer's value.

HR Director Nielson offered to follow up and assist in resolving the situation.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

HR Director Nielson explained that the transfer of the IT manager's vehicle to the Delta Office had been approved during a previous meeting; however, an issue with the engine has arisen. As a temporary solution, a different vehicle will be transferred until the engine issue could be resolved. He then outlined a series of vehicle transfers: two trucks from the Sheriff's Office would be reassigned to the Road Department, two trucks from the Road Department would then be moved to the Landfill, and finally, the two existing Landfill trucks would be declared surplus.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the transfer of the trucks as explained.

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

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPOINTMENT(S) TO VARIOUS COUNTY BOARDS

There was none.

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

There was none.

DISCUSSION BY EACH COMMISSIONER, COUNTY ATTORNEY, ELECTED OFFICIAL AND SECRETARY

There was none.

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

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to enter into a BOE.

Commissioner Wright **SECONDED** the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The BOE began at 11:27 a.m.

Chief Deputy Bennett shared a list of accounts eligible for the Non-Profit Use Exemption for

the Commission's review. She explained that the Auditor's Office annually reminds entities to renew their exemption based on current use. If a renewal form isn't returned, the office makes several attempts to contact the entity. If there's no response, the exemption may be revoked, requiring the entity to reapply with proper documentation

Commissioner Lyman made motion to close the BOE.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The BOE closed at 11:31 a.m.

POSSIBLE REVIEW OF COUNTY POLICIES AND CONTRACTS

There were none.

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

Commissioner Wright made a motion to go into a closed executive session for the purpose of discussing pending and/or threatened litigation.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. All three commissioners voted unanimously and the motion carried. No one else was present

After the closed executive session the regular meeting reconvened at 11:51 a.m.

WHERE UPON THE MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m.

Attest: _____

Approved: _____