

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
MILLARD COUNTY THE 20th DAY OF JUNE, 2023  
AT THE COURTHOUSE, FILLMORE, UTAH

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

Pat Finlinson. .... County Attorney  
Kayla Freeman..... Deputy County Clerk

EXCUSED: Marki Rowley. .... County Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Debra Arnold..... Chief Deputy County Treasurer  
Bonnie Smith. .... County Auditor  
Sierra Dickens. .... County Recorder  
Jacob Nielson..... County HR Director  
Patrick Bennett and Richard Jacobson..... County Sheriff’s Office  
Pat Manis. .... County Assessor  
Dennis Alldredge, Timothy Arnold, and Dally Arnold. .... Citizens

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 Wright to the public and Commission members.

OPENING STATEMENTS

Commissioner Wright excused Clerk Rowley from the meeting. Commissioner Lyman said the invocation. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF JUNE 6, 2023 COMMISSION MINUTES

The proposed minutes of a regular County Commission meeting held June 6, 2023 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review and consideration of minor corrections, Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the minutes of June 6, 2023 as corrected.

Commissioner Johnson SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the

motion carried.

#### FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS FROM JUNE 6, 2023

Deputy Clerk Freeman read a situation address by Clerk Rowley, in her absence:

“The business license application for Distant Peak Engineering, that was approved at the last commission meeting, was found to have an issue, the sales and use number listed on the application was incorrect. When Auditor Smith researched this issue, she could not confirm that the number was ever applied for and/or issued. Therefore, this business license is on hold until proof can be obtained. I tried to call the business owner, Chet Simper, but the number listed on the application is not a working number, so I sent an email to Mr. Simper letting him know of this issue and what he would need to do to remedy the situation. I have yet to receive a response. I will report at the next meeting on the progress and/or resolution.”

Deputy Clerk Freeman read a situation address by Clerk Rowley, in her absence:

“As you may have heard, Congressman Stuart has resigned his seat in Congressional District #2, which will take effect September 2023. Due to the vacancy timing, the State has decided that in order to ensure there is no lag in representation from our State, it would be best to change the 2023 Municipal Election dates and hold this election in conjunction with our Municipal Election. Therefore, the Municipal Primary Election date will change from August 15, 2023, to September 5, 2023, and the Municipal General Election date will change from November 7, 2023, to November 21, 2023. This and other important details were worked out during the Special Legislative Session held Wednesday, June 14, 2023. I am out of the office and had not heard what those details were before I left, so I will report more details at the next Commission meeting”

#### INTERIM SUCCESSORS

The interim successors for the East Millard Maintenance Department and the Sheriff's Office were presented for approval.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the interim successors for the East Millard Maintenance Department and the and the Sheriff's Office.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE 2023 MILLARD COUNTY TAX RATE

Auditor Smith and Chief Deputy Arnold presented the 2023 Millard County Tax Rate for approval. Auditor Smith briefly explained the process for setting the tax rate for the County. She then explained the tax rate report with the rate at 0.002895 percent. She said that while the tax rate is increasing, it does not completely cover inflation.

Assessor Manis gave a brief report on assessment values and the tax rate at 0.000328

percent.

Auditor Smith explained that funds received from the County tax sales have been used to help cover inflation.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the 2023 Millard County Tax Rate at 0.002895 percent.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE 2023 MILLARD COUNTY ASSESSING AND COLLECTING TAX RATE

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the 2023 Millard County Assessing and Collecting Tax Rate at 0.000328 percent.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE 2023-2024 IDC GRANT FUNDING AGREEMENT

Attorney Finlinson explained that this will allow the County to receive IDC funds.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 IDC Grant Funding Agreement.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 23-06-20, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MILLARD COUNTY, UTAH AMENDING RESOLUTION 13-01-22 (ADOPTING THE MILLARD COUNTY STEP AND GRADE SCALES) BY CHANGING GRADE ASSIGNMENTS FOR POSITIONS WITHIN THE MILLARD RECREATION DEPARTMENT

HR Director Nielson explained that this is an incentive for water safety instructors to teach swim lessons, which would cost an extra \$600.00 per year. He said that the extra pay would only be applied to the hours spent teaching swim lessons.

Auditor Smith clarified that this would not increase their budget and that the department could absorb the costs or create a resolution to increase fees to cover the cost.

Attorney Finlinson said that this resolution, as discussed, would not be creating a new grade, but rather authorizing premium pay.

The Commission agreed the cost is small enough that it could easily be absorbed.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve Resolution 23-06-20, a resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Millard County, Utah, authorizing premium pay for water safety instructors to teach swim lessons.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE DISPOSITION OF SURPLUS ASSETS

Auditor Smith presented the list of assets for surplus for approval.

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the disposition of surplus assets.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR THE RENEWAL OF THE UHP LEASE AGREEMENT

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve the renewal of the UHP Lease Agreement.

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

#### APPROVAL OF COUNTY TREASURER APPOINTMENT

Commissioner Wright reported that Chief Deputy Treasurer Arnold was selected by the Millard County Republican Party to be the Interim County Treasurer to fill the remaining term of office.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to appoint Debra Arnold as the Interim County Treasurer.

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

#### DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR A PURCHASING CARD FOR DEBRA ARNOLD

Commissioner Johnson made a motion to approve a purchasing card for Interim Treasurer Arnold in the amount of \$3,000.00.

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

## PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

## OTHER BUSINESS

Attorney Finlinson presented a consulting agreement with Sheri Dearden concerning litigation and centrally assessed appeals.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the consulting agreement with Sheri Dearden concerning litigation and centrally assessed appeals.

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

Commissioner Lyman reported that she submitted a letter to be sent to the BLM concerning leasing of public lands.

## DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COUNTY BOARDS

There were 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

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 Wright adjourned the meeting at 10:53 a.m..

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

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