



GRAND COUNTY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

LUNCH WITH GRAND COUNTY ELECTED OFFICIALS

Grand County Council Chambers
125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah

Tuesday, January 14, 2020

The Grand County Council met in a special session on the above date in the Grand County Council Chambers of the Courthouse located at 125 East Center Street, Moab, Utah. The meeting was called to order by Council Chair Mary McGann at 12:09 p.m. In attendance were Council Members Mary McGann, Jaylyn Hawks, Greg Halliday, Gabriel Woytek, Rory Paxman, Curtis Wells (late), County Treasurer Chris Kauffman, Council Administrator Ruth Dillon, and County Attorney Christina Sloan.

Call to Order

Chair McGann called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m.

County Council Action Items – Discussion and Consideration of:

- A. **Approving extension of deadline to January 31, 2020 for receiving Clerk/Auditor applications (Chris Baird, Clerk/Auditor)**

Motion by Council Member Hawks to extend the noticing period for the Interim Clerk/Auditor position to January 31, 2020. Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday carries 5-0.

Discussion Items

- B. **Roundtable with County Elected Officials**

Chris Kauffman: Gave an update indicating the Christine Watkins bill concerning the appointment of some elected officials rather than election appears to be stalled. Reported that the property tax collection rate is above 97%, which is a very good collection rate. Indicated that he will be presenting additional tax abatements to the Council soon. Discussed some potential legislation that may affect Treasurers.

Christina Sloan: Reported on application for her new Deputy Attorney position, and that this position will initially be half civil and half criminal. Reported that she has put a lot of time into lending legal support to the Community Development Department. Discussed potential legislation concerning the change of forms of government statutes, the state benefits for inmates, and transient room taxes. Discussed a mental health court and treatment.

Chris Baird: Gave an update on election activities and 2019 year end financial information.

Future Considerations

Greg Halliday: Reported that he received a call expressing concern about a newly proposed health clinic in San Juan County's portion of Spanish Valley. McGann suggested attempting another coordinating meeting with San Juan County Commissioners.

County Council Closed Session(s): Character, Professional Competence or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual

Motion by Council Member Wells to enter closed session to discuss the "Character, Professional Competence or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual". Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday carries 6-0.

The Council entered closed session at 12:59 p.m.

Motion by Council Member Hawks to leave closed session. Motion seconded by Council Member Halliday carries 6-0.

The Council re-entered open session at 1:51 p.m.

Adjourn

Chair McGann adjourned the meeting at 1:51 p.m.

APPROVE:



Mary McGann, Council Chair

ATTEST:

Chris Baird, Clerk-Auditor