

**SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES****NOVEMBER 12, 1985**

The San Juan County Commission met in regular session on November 12, 1985 at the hour of 10 a.m. at the San Juan County Courthouse, Monticello, Utah.

The following members were present: Commissioner Calvin Black, Chairman  
Commissioner Kenneth Bailey  
Commissioner Jerry Holliday

Minutes of the November 4, 1985 meeting were approved on the motion of Commissioner Holliday. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bailey. UNANIMOUS

**BELINDA NIELSON SAN JUAN HOSPITAL**

Belinda Nielson, San Juan Hospital employee, met with the Commissioners about her working days at the hospital which have been cut from ten days to five. Mrs. Nielson said that she brought this up with her supervisor and Rayburn Jack, San Juan Health Care and they tell her they are cutting back but, Mrs. Nielson says no one else is getting their hours cut. Mrs. Nielson had applied for part time unemployment in order to make ends meet. Commissioner Bailey said that this would be brought up at the next Health Care Board Meeting.

**PROFESSIONAL GUIDANCE SYSTEMS**

Merrill B. Hansen, Professional Guidance Systems met with the Commissioners about insurance. Mr. Hansen requested the county approve his insurance program and recommend it to the county employees. The Commission explained to Mr. Hansen that the Commissioners does not endorse insurance salesman or their programs.

**COPY MACHINE**

Mary Lou Mosher, Recorder, met with the Commissioners concerning repairs of the IBM copy machine, in which the last major one was caused by a clip that was found inside. Mrs. Mosher said that this was done by an employee and the warranty with IBM will not cover this repair, costing the county \$600.00. Commissioner Bailey suggested that a padlock be put on the door of the copy machine to prevent anyone getting inside the machine but the Recorder's Office, and to have the Sheriff's Office and anyone else after five p.m. and on week ends use the little copy machine in the Recorder's Office after hours. Commissioner Bailey will look into putting a padlock on the copy machine.

**EXTENSION OFFICE**

Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant, reported that there have been several local people apply for the job of Extension Agent. Mr. Bailey was told from the University to go ahead and submit the applications even though none had a Masters Degree. The Commissioners feel that a B.A. degree should be accepted in San Juan County as it is in other areas. Rick will meet with Mr. Ralph Horne this week and this will be discussed with him.

**BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD**

Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant, said that Al Price, Blue Cross-Blue Shield representative will be in Monticello to go over the problems that some of the county employees are having with the insurance.

**MEDICAL FACILITIES PROPOSALS**

Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant, reported that as far as he could tell there were six to seven companies interested in making proposals on San Juan County's medical facilities.

**FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION**

Commissioner Black received a letter from Wayne W. Flaherty, Planning Officer, stating that he met with the consulting team for the Hall's Crossing Airport Site Selection and Master Plan and that a fourth site which lies inside the designated search area and slightly south of the existing entrance road is to be investigated. Mr. Creamer of Creamer-Noble, contractor wants more money and the FAA funding for this study is limited to 90.94% of the \$40,000 or \$36,375 and there is no provision in FAA's program to increase the federal share. Commissioner Black said he was not aware of the fourth site and feels there is no need for this. Rick Bailey will contact Buzz Hunt on the fact of these limitations.

**SAN JUAN HOSPITAL**

Concerned employees from San Juan Hospital met with the Commissioners requesting that a public hearing be held before any further action is taken to sell the county health care facilities. They feel that the citizens of San Juan County have the right to be made aware of the problems that could arise: one, being the health care; two, the rates; three, employees; and also to discuss the alternatives. They want a date from the Commissioners when this public hearing can be held. Commissioner Black said that the Commission has not made a decision to sell the facilities and are looking at all alternatives to be able to continue the health care services in San Juan County. The Commissioners are accepting proposals from all interested companies and they will carefully review all of these prior to any decision. Commissioner Black assured the hospital employees that there will be a public meeting to address all issues before any decision is made. Commissioner Bailey said the Commission had been approached from an interested company about purchasing the Nursing Home, and the Commissioners are definitely interested because of the huge deficits accumulating in Health Care Services. The Commissioners and the Health Care Board both felt that it would not be fair unless they accepted as many proposals as possible. Commissioner Bailey said that Ted Stagg, CPA developer, will be working for the county to analyze the proposals and get them in a form so the Commissioners can better evaluate them. It was pointed out from the hospital staff that it would not be fair if a company who was chosen that didn't have any benefits and made cuts. Commissioner Bailey said that the Commission is aware of this and the first priority is health care; but due to the county valuations declining, the hospital could be relegated to a first aid station because of the competition of bigger facilities. Commissioner Black commented that many small county hospitals are closing and many more will, so selling to a company may be the answer to keeping the facilities open. Other counties have sold their facilities during recent years, mostly with very satisfactory results.

**SOUTH CREEK ROAD**

Commissioner Bailey reported that the trucks traveling down the south creek road are apparently overloaded and could damage the road. Commissioner Bailey said that this road will be posted.

**MONTEZUMA CREEK BRIDGE INSPECTION**

Commissioner Bailey said that the State Inspection on the Montezuma Creek Bridge was completed and they were very pleased with it.

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Commissioner Bailey said that a shell pit was found on Alkali and the BLM is issuing a permit to the county for it and will allow the county to keep the rock pit.

**J.W. CROWLEY COUNTY ROAD**

Commissioner Bailey reported that the county road out by J.W. Crowley is more complicated than was thought and needs to be taken care of. Commissioner Bailey explained that Mr. Crowley and several other people at Eastland use this road to transport their tractors and heavy equipment to their farms, leaving the Eastland road open for public access. The Commission agreed the county should realign this public access road as has been done in other parts of the county.

**LLOYD'S LAKE GRAVEL ROAD - CATTLE GUARD**

Commissioner Bailey said that a cattle guard is needed on the South Creek road going to Lloyd's Lake. Re-alignment of the road at the cattle guard would be desirable.

**AIRPORTS - AIRPORT**

John Fellmeth, deputy auditor, was asked by the Commissioners to make an audit on the Monticello and Blanding Airports, operating agreements to bring them up to date.

**RECREATION DIRECTOR OFFICE BUILDING**

Commissioner Holliday attended the Recreation Meeting last week and said that the city of Monticello will pay for all utilities for the San Juan Recreation Director Office building, the county will pay for the telephone. Also discussed was the policy of the county furnishing a building, utilities, etc. for a private business without compensation. Commissioner Holliday will look into this.

**NAVAJO TRIBAL ROAD COMMITTEE**

Commissioner Black said that Robert Billie Whitehorse, chairman of the Navajo Tribal Roads Committee, was to have made a statement that if the county would request assistance from the BIA or Tribe on improving and upgrading the road from Oljato to Piute Farms that some funds could be secured. Commissioner Bailey contact Mr. Whitehorse and write a letter concerning this.

**FREIGHT SERVICE**

Commissioner Black reported that several freight services in the state who are delivering in the county are charging large amounts for freight service south of Blanding which to the companies is considered off route. Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant will write a letter on behalf of the Commissioners to the public service commission protesting this kind of charge and request that a public hearing be held in Blanding.

**AIRPORT HANGAR LEASES**

Commissioner Holliday made the motion to approve the following airport hangar leases. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Bailey. UNANIMOUS

R. Dean Benedict, M.D.	Blanding Hangar #3
Ralph Robson	Monticello Hangar #7
Cooper Jones	Monticello Hangar #4

**BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT**

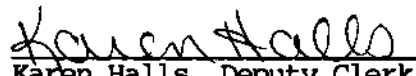
San Juan Health Care Services	Capital Request	45,930.62
First Security Bank of Utah	Purchase of TCD	1,100,000.00
ANR Freight System, Inc.	Freight Charges Road Dept	75.01
Charles Bowles	Uniform Allowance	70.00
Utah State Social Security Agency	Oct 1985 Contributions	18,298.88
State Tax Commission of Utah	State Income Tax Withheld	4,294.70
First Security Bank of Utah	Federal Income Tax Withheld	13,420.93
A & M Propane	Propane for Road Dept.	2.16
Abajo Petroleum, Inc.	Diesel for Road Dept	884.50
Black Oil Company	Gas purchased Road Dept	8,273.18
ANR Freight System, Inc.	Freight Charges Road Dept	75.01
Blanding Home Center	Supplies Dept. of Aging	111.86
Blue Mountain Petroleum, Inc.	Petroleum Road Dept	220.15
Bluff Water & Sewer Users Assn	Utilities Bldg	10.00
Bradford Brake & Muffler	Supplies Bus #6	170.28
Car Care Center	L.P. Gas for Road Dept	115.53
Cate Equipment Company	Parts for Road Dept	802.16
Central Equipment Company	Parts for Road Dept	32.57
City of Monticello	Utilities Library (M)	31.97
Continental Tel Co of the West	Tele Charges Communication	62.92
Cummins Intermountain	Parts Road Dept	24.19
Lora Douglas	Reimb. for books purchased	27.57
Betty Dufur	Janitor Senior Center	40.00
Eaton Metal Products, Company	Parts for Road Dept	198.18
Empire Electric Assoc. Inc	Utilities Library (M)	219.75
First Security Bank of Utah	Bond Transfer Agent	463.00
Freeway Auto Service, Inc.	Supplies Road dept	595.00
Grand Tire Company, Inc.	Tires purchased Road Dept	1,498.52
Hafer's Incorporated	Parts for Road Dept	276.61
John Himmelberger	Firefighter	21.00
Humphreys, Peggy	Travel Expenses	37.29
Hunt Communications	Supplies Communication	34.00
Husky Oil Company	Travel Sheriffs Dept	21.24
Industrial Supply Company, Inc.	Parts for Road Dept	11.48
Intermountain Supply Company, Inc.	Supplies Road Dept	78.50
J.B. Grain & Bean Company	Supplies Sheriffs Dept	11.25
Kar Products Incorporated	Parts for Road Dept	305.71
Kenz & Leslie Distributing Co	Supplies Road Dept	316.55
Kensley, Jim	Firefighter	21.00
Kents	Meals Jail Sheriffs Dept	858.74
Mac Tools	Supplies Road Dept	21.60
Richard W. Meyer	Herbicide Purchased	150.00
Miline Truck Lines, Inc.	Freight Charges Road Dept	16.80
Monticello City Justice/Peace	Report of 11-18-85	216.00
Monticello Mercantile	Cleaning Drapes Library (M)	242.16
Motorola Comm. Electronics Inc.	Equipment Sheriffs Dept	1,358.00
Motor Parts Company	Parts Road Dept. Blanding	1,603.79
Motor Parts Pro Mart Home Cntr	Supplies Golf Course (M)	38.43
Nat'l. Assoc Area Agenc Aging	Membership Category A	50.00
Northern Electric	Work for fire control	2,158.00
P & F Parts and Supply	Supplies Sheriffs Office	187.78
Palmer's	Supplies for Aging Buses	7.92

Gus Paulos Chevrolet, Inc.	Parts for Road Dept	19.50
Performance Products	Parts for Road Dept	300.06
Popular Subscription Service	Books Purchased Library (M)	547.55
Precision Electronics	Repairs Communications	46.72
James M. Ransdell	Refund of Bail 85-DWR-109	25.00
Parley Redd's Food Town	Supplies Sheriffs Dept	10.72
The Reliable Corporation	Office Supplies Rick B.	2.10
Doug and Dana Ross	Supplies Road Dept	57.30
San Juan County	gas, repairs div. of Aging	883.40
San Juan County Ext. Office	Petty Cash Extension Office	30.00
San Juan County 4-H Council	Reim. 4-H Council/Banquet	70.55
San Juan County Hospital	Senior Citizens Meals	876.00
San Juan County Nursing Home	Senior Citizen Meals	525.00
S.J. County 12th Circuit Court	Wallace Brice #70431	256.00
San Juan Home Health Agency	Services Rendered	160.00
The San Juan Record	Invoice #39383 Sheriff	37.88
San Juant Ads	Advertising Historic Soc.	36.00
Saveway Automotive	Tube Purchased Road Dept	28.90
Scenic Aviation	Flight to Moab/Sheriff	25.00
Schafer Auto	Repairs for Road Dept	128.00
Texaco Incorporated	Gas Purchased	140.39
Uniden Corporation of America	Supplies Communication	1,533.78
United States Postal Service	Postage for Muhlestein	22.00
United States Welding, Inc.	Supplies Road Dept	227.61
Utah Dept. of Employ Security	Bernie Willey (524-80-0035)	10.05
Utah Navajo Industries	Supplies Senior Citizens	69.84
Utah Power & Light Company	Utilities Aging	134.85
White Mesa Ute Council	Senior Citizens Meals	495.00
Xerox Corporation	Copy Machine Paper	1,148.50
Mike Young Incorporated	Repairs Senior Citizens	21.60

**ADJOURNED**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

  
Calvin Black, Chairman

  
Karen Halls, Deputy Clerk