MINUTES
BOX ELDER COUNTY COMMISSION
OCTOBER 23, 2007

The Board of County Commissioners of Box Elder County, Utah met in an Administrative/Operational Session at the County Courthouse, 01 South Main Street in Brigham City, Utah at 8:00 a.m. on OCTOBER 23, 2007. The following members were present:

Jay E. Hardy
Clark N. Davis
Rich VanDyke
LuAnn Adams
Chairman
Commissioner
Commissioner
Recorder/Clerk

The following items were discussed:

1. Agenda Review/Supporting Documents
2. Commissioners’ Correspondence
3. Staff Reports
4. Correspondence
5. Assignment Review
6. Car Allowance

The work session adjourned at 8:59 a.m.

The regular session was called to order by Chairman Hardy at 9:00 a.m. with the following members present, constituting a quorum:

Jay E. Hardy
Clark N. Davis
Rich VanDyke
LuAnn Adams
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The prayer was offered by Chairman Hardy.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 16, 2007 WERE APPROVED AS WRITTEN ON A MOTION BY COMMISSIONER VAN DYKE, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER DAVIS AND UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED.

AGENDA: ATTACHMENT NO. 1
FOLLOW-UP BUSINESS

Bear River Health Board

Mayor Weese said there were three options and both groups feel like any one of the three options would be good. Lloyd Berentzen said the Bear River Health Board’s number one option would be the land transfer. They will review the property, and Rich Woodworth will make the proposal to the City Council. The Health Board would like to duplicate the building located in Brigham City.

The Commissioners will be happy if the two entities are happy.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis that the Box Elder County Commission support the Bear River Board of Health and Tremonton City in negotiating for the transfer of property and that preference number one is transfer of ownership with 3.2 acres of 2000 West property adjacent to Five-Star Trailers to Bear River Health Department as payment in full for the building. In addition the Bear River Health Department would purchase the remaining 1.3 acres for $81,250. The second option being an interest free financing provision over a 10-year period of time to be negotiated between Bear River Health Department and Tremonton City. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

On Call Policy

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner VanDyke that only public safety officials are allowed to take county vehicles home and on occasions when officials are on call, they will be reimbursed mileage. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Davis and unanimously carried.

FIRE CONTRACTS – GREG MARTZ

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to approve fire contracts for Honeyville, Thatcher, Willard, Fielding, Plymouth, Portage, Snowville, Park Valley, Grouse Creek, Mantua, and Garland. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

FIELD DRAINS IN BOX ELDER COUNTY – THAYNE MICHELSON

Arthur Douglas said he is representing Western Box Elder Conservation District, and they will be hosting the first Utah Conservation Field Days and summer fair at the Box Elder County Fairgrounds on June 18 & 19. They are expecting 700-800 people. There will be a trade show and County tours showing projects throughout the County. This fair should be an economic benefit to the County. Mr. Douglas asked the Commissioners for financial support. They would like to use the fairgrounds without a fee.
Commissioner VanDyke said he is the Commissioner over the fairgrounds and has no problem letting them use the fairgrounds if there is not anything else already scheduled. Commissioner VanDyke asked Mr. Douglas to coordinate with Gerald Smith.

Thayne Michelson told of all the things the Soil Conservation District does in Box Elder County. They are currently working with UDOT on a program to help suppress fires along the roadways. He also talked about the field drain project they are working on in Box Elder County and asked the Commissioners for financial support. The Commissioners stated the County’s GIS Department could do the mapping for the project.

CANCELLATION OF COMMISSION MEETING – COMMISSIONERS

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to cancel Commission Meeting on November 13. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING/MARION ORCHARD AG PROTECTION RESOLUTION – LUANN ADAMS

(See Attachment No. 2 – Attendance List.)

Chairman Hardy declared the public hearing open at 9:30 a.m.

County Recorder/Clerk LuAnn Adams explained the Marion Orchard Ag Protection area is located next to the Agri-Business Park in Corinne. The proposal is for 240 acres. The Planning Commission and the Agriculture Protection Board recommend the creation of the agriculture protection area.

Chairman Hardy asked for public comment. There was none.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke, and the public hearing was closed at 9:55 a.m.

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to adopt Resolution No. 07-16, a resolution approving a proposal to create an agriculture protection area referred to as the Marion Orchard Agriculture Protection Area. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

(See Attachment No. 3 – Resolution No. 07-16.)
FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER PRESENTATION – KATY BONDS

Katy Bonds, Executive Director for the Family Support Center, made a presentation to the Commissioners. She said the Family Support Center is a non-profit organization to prevent child abuse. They provide services through the core services kids care center. She explained the different projects. The Support Center has a parent advocate and parenting education program, and they have a strengthening families program and a family therapy program. Ms. Bond said there are 12 other support centers in the state. She reviewed the research on child abuse and neglect and explained they will be losing some of their funding and asked the County Commissioners for $80,000 next year.

The Commissioners asked Katy Bonds to confer with the County’s grant writer Joan Hammer and also to look for funding from the Sheriff’s program at the jail.

Chairman Hardy said he has a lot of support for what the Family Support Center does and if the Commissioners can find some money, they will be willing to help. They did make it clear the County was also on a tight budget.

WARRANT REGISTER – COMMISSIONERS

The Warrant Register was signed and the following claims were approved for payment: Claim 53204 thru 53309, 200712 in the amount of $258,546.88. Claims 51398, 52653, 53159, 53216, 53238 were voided.

PERSONNEL ACTIONS – COMMISSIONERS

SHERIFF: Kristalee Wood, separation, effective 05/05/2007
LANDFILL: Eddie Wyatt, compensation change, effective 10/24/2007
MOTOR VEHICLE: Coleen Bay, new hire, effective 10/22/2007
WEED DEPT: Terry Harrison, separation, effective 10/04/2007
WEED DEPT: Jack Mieure, separation, effective 10/04/2007
FAIRGROUNDS: Westin Shaffer, separation, effective 08/25/2007
SHERIFF: Crystal Blasi, compensation change, effective 10/10/2007

PUBLIC HEARING/PROPERTY RE-ZONE – KEVIN HAMILTON

(See Attachment No. 4 – Attendance List.)

Chairman Hardy opened the public hearing to re-zone property at 10:00 a.m.

County Planner Kevin Hamilton said the request is to rezone property in the West Corinne area. Mr. Hamilton showed a map of the area. He said the petitioner is Proctor and Gamble who want to locate a manufacturing plant on the site.
Commissioner Davis said for some time there have been many rumors about who was coming to Box Elder County. Commissioner Davis is grateful the secrecy was kept because that was important in the selection process. He said Proctor & Gamble has chosen Box Elder County as their site, and this is the beginning of a rezoning request for 714 acres owned by the Christensen Family for the location of a paper manufacturing plant and its support campus. The paper line will expand from one machine to two machines and maybe more. He said this is the beginning of the process and the Commissioners are elated. He thinks it will be extremely beneficial to Box Elder County. The state gave the largest single incentive sponsored by the Governor’s Office in its history. The governor has a vested interest in economic development. He said this is an exciting time for Box Elder County, and he looks forward to working with Proctor and Gamble. He said the work will begin now.

Chairman Hardy opened the meeting up for public comment.

Rob Illig, Architect for the site plan, said the plan calls for a 950,000 sq. ft. paper manufacturing plant for Proctor & Gamble. It is Proctor & Gamble’s sixth plant in the United States, and the first Greenfield plant built in the United States in 30 years. Mr. Illig said when Proctor & Gamble comes into a community, they are here to stay and make an investment for the long term. They are a good corporate citizen. In addition to the jobs, they provide a lot of value in terms of other businesses that they tend to attract. They look at the site in terms of a campus, and they leave the whole half of the site for suppliers like cardboard boxes, polywrap and metal fabrication shops. Mr. Illig said Proctor & Gamble did a traffic study and the amount of traffic on Iowa String Road will not appreciably alter in the foreseeable future. He said the canal won’t be disturbed in phase one or phase two. At some point they will need to relocate the canal. Mr. Illig stated this is not a pulp mill. Proctor & Gamble receive their pulp from suppliers by rail. The process is a clean process, and they are good neighbors because their facilities are an attractive addition in all the communities where manufacturing plants are located in the United States and globally. During the construction phase, there will be 500-600 construction workers. When the plant first opens, it will employ 300 employees. The employees do not include all the support sites like people that run the waste treatment plants and other support plants.

Commissioner VanDyke added his support and excitement. He said this is a boon to our entire county and very welcome.

Jayant Sathe, project manager, said he is responsible for the overall engineering and startup and then he will turn things over to the plant manager scheduled for the site as soon as all the legal things are in place like rezoning and working with Brigham City for water and all the water contracts are in place. Mr. Sathe said all these things should be in place as early as January. That is when the earth moving for the site will begin. He said they will be talking to the County about some way of bringing the community together to share everything and introduce the construction manager. The plant is projected to open by early 2010. The plant in Box Elder County will also be a distribution center for Proctor & Gamble paper products.
MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and the public hearing was closed at 10:20 a.m.

MOTION: Commissioner Davis made a motion to approve the rezone under the following conditions: That an ordinance be drafted by staff and the ordinance is subject to Proctor & Gamble Paper Products Company, or its affiliate (“P&G”) and P&G constructing a paper manufacturing facility at approximately 5000 North Iowa String Road in conformance with the conditions set forth by Box Elder County Planning Commission and the sale of the property from the Christensen Family be consummated and completed. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

PETITION FOR REMOVAL OF PROPERTY FROM AG PROTECTION – KENYON D DOVE

Curtis Brough and Kenyon D. Dove came before the Commissioners representing Brough Properties LLC regarding removal of property from an agriculture protection in order to be annexed into Tremonton City.

(See Attachment No. 6 – Petition.)

MOTION: A motion was made by Commissioner Davis in accordance with State Code 17-41-306 adding land to and removing land from an agriculture protection, the Commission moves to grant the petition filed by Brough Property LLC and other property owners to remove their property from the Agriculture Protection and draft a resolution identifying the properties for removal and revising the legal description of the revised boundaries of the agriculture protection area. The motion was seconded by Commissioner VanDyke and unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Davis to adjourn. Commissioner VanDyke seconded the motion, and the meeting adjourned at 11:25 a.m.
ADOPTED AND APPROVED in regular session this 30th day of October 2007.

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Jay E. Hardy, Chairman

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Clark N. Davis, Commissioner

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Rich VanDyke, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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LuAnn Adams, Recorder/Clerk

The following items were discussed in Administrative /Operational Session after Commission Meeting had adjourned:

1. Budget Preparation - Commissioners

The Administrative/Operational Session adjourned at 4:16 p.m.