

Bear Lake Regional Commission

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Minutes

Bear Lake Regional Commission

Garden City, UT

August 25, 2021

Those in attendance:

Sim Weston, Board Vice Chairman, Rich County Commissioner Ron Jensen – Recreation
Ken Brown - Rich County at Large
Burdette Weston - Board Secretary, Mayor of Laketown
Mike Leonhardt - Mayor of Garden City
Dan Fisher - City Council of Montpelier
Ron Jensen- Recreation
Mitch Poulsen - Executive Director- Bear Lake Regional Commission
Christy Jensen - Bear Lake Regional Commission
Also in attendance: Quinn Dance-JUB Engineering

Excused: Bradley Jensen- Board Chairman, Bear Lake County Commissioner
Albert Johnson, Bear Lake County at Large
Roy Bunderson, City Council of Bloomington

Vice Chairman Sim Weston conducted the August 25, 2021, meeting of the Bear Lake Regional Commission at 7:43 pm. meeting.

Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Weston asked for an approval of the agenda. The agenda was reviewed and approved.

- **Ken Brown motioned to approve the agenda.**
Ron Jensen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Connely Baldwin, PacifiCorp/ Water Year Update

Connely Baldwin Hydrologist for Rocky Mountain Power/ PacifiCorp Reviewed the water year. This has been in the top 10 percent of the driest water years since Rocky Mountain Power has been keeping record. Largely due to a dry fall and a soil moisture deficit.

Staff Report

Idaho Funding came in as planned but when submitted to Utah for their match they did not match it and came in \$5000 less. Utah legislators need to be contacted and encouraged to consider the legislative intent language that is supposed to obligate them to match Idaho.

A half mile sewer requirement provision passed in Rich County which will be similar to Bear Lake County's. Bear Lake requires a one-and-a-half-mile sewer requirement. East side does not require sewer but requires vault systems or advanced treatment packages.

State money from the ARPA is being suggested for use on Sewer development from Rattlesnake Gulch or Vista Grande Subdivision up to North Eden. This may take several years to get the studies done needed to do this sewer line project completed.

Meeting with Forest Service last February about the trails system on the top of Logan Canyon, proposed five miles of concentric trails. Due to a set back with this project we will be aliening with the Utah Conservation Corp to get better numbers for the Forest Service that they will feel more comfortable with and be able to move forward on that project. We will be applying for Transient Room Tax funds and the Governors Office of Outdoor Recreation for this funding to hopefully get that done by next summer.

The Department of Transportation is putting together a parking plan and they have about \$40,000 dollars to help invest in the congestion problems on US 30. We will be helping to put a steering committee together to help rank and prioritize the areas that need to be addressed.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed and approved.

- **Ron Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 28, 2021 meeting.**
Ken Brown seconded the motion, motion carried.

Bills, Payroll

The bills and payroll for the Bear Lake Regional Commission were reviewed, a motion was made to approve them.

- **Ken Brown made a motion to accept and approve payment of the August 2021 bills and payroll for the Bear Lake Regional Commission**
Dan Fisher seconded the motion, motion carried.


Adjourn

With no further business, the meeting ended at 9:05 p.m.

- **Ken Brown motioned to adjourn the meeting of the Bear Lake Regional Commission**
Ron Jensen seconded the motion, motion carried.

Minutes Approved:


Chairman


Date