

Bear Lake Regional Commission

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Minutes Bear Lake Regional Commission Garden City, UT September 28, 2022

Those in attendance:

Sim Weston - Board Chairman, Rich County Commissioner
Bradley Jensen - Board Vice Chairman, Bear Lake County Commissioner
Dan Fisher - Board Secretary, City Council of Montpelier
Ron Jensen - Recreation
Ken Brown - Rich County at Large
Mitch Poulsen - Executive Director- Bear Lake Regional Commission
Christy Jensen - Bear Lake Regional Commission
Savannah Poulsen- Bear Lake Convention & Visitors Bureau

Also in attendance:

Wes Thompson
Gary & James Teuscher – Teuscher CPA Firm

Excused:

Mike Leonhardt - Mayor of Garden City
Roy Bunderson- Mayor of Bloomington
Burdette Weston - Mayor of Laketown
Albert Johnson - Bear Lake County at Large
Tami Leonhardt- Bear Lake Convention & Visitors Bureau

Chairman Sim Weston conducted the September 28, 2022, meeting of the Bear Lake Regional Commission, the meeting started at 7:11 pm.

Approval of Agenda

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

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

Wes Thompson/ lake safety

Wes explained the phone app called Windy Lookout, and the \$4000 proposal that was presented to the Rich County Commission to be able to have it available, cost free, to everyone visiting Bear Lake who wishes to download it to their phones. This App ties into all area weather stations on the internet such as the USGA weather station on the Lake, Paris Airport station, one on the South end of Lake and a few others. Text alerts are sent out to phones of all subscribers when wind hits different thresholds. This could be a lifesaving service for both the public using this service, and for public servants who patrol or help with lake rescues.

Mitch Poulsen will solicit the involvement of both Idaho and Utah State Parks to help contribute funding and will also be looking into grants that may help cover the \$4000 yearly cost. If this App proposal is accepted and implemented, signage and education offering this free service would also be posted at State Parks and around the community, on Convention and Visitors Bureau brochures and on social media sites.

Gary Teuscher/ FY 2022 Audit Review

Gary Teuscher presented the audit for the 2022 Fiscal year, the Audit was reviewed and approved. A management representation letter was also signed.

All State compliancy requirements were met. A full copy of the Audit is available at the Regional Commission Office.

- **Brad Jensen made a motion to approve and the Audit and sign the Management Representation Letter for the 2022 Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2022.**
Dan Fisher seconded the motion, motion carried.

(A management representation letter is a letter issued by a client to the auditor in writing as part of audit evidences. ... It serves to document management's representations during the audit, reducing misunderstandings of management's responsibilities for the financial statements.)

Staff Report

- There have been a few new developments on affordable housing, Mitch will elaborate on those more at a future date.
- Thom Morgan's Seven Mile Subdivision is moving forward.
- Developers for Aspen Creek Meadows subdivision have purchased more land and will be working on more development.
- Norm Mecham is working on an addition to the trailer court.
- 3.5-million-dollar grant receive in Rich County to extend the bike path south down to Rendezvous beach.
- Working on funding for moving the bike path north.
- UDOT has been working on a Parking Plan. Due to recent dangerous parking practices on busy weekends.
- Rich County just finished their General Plan. Grant moneys will be needed now to work on their Development Code because the two don't match up well.
- \$70,000 has been requested from the Transient Room Tax Advisory Board (TRT) for trails at the top of Logan Canyon by the overlook.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes were reviewed and approved.

- **Ron Jensen made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 27th meeting.**
And the canceled confirmation of the August 31st meetings.
Ken Brown seconded the motion, motion carried.

Ratify signature on 2022 Audit Engagement letter

- **Brad Jensen made a motion to ratify the signing of the Audit Engagement Letter with Gary H Teuscher, which was signed by Sim Weston last month.**
Dan Fisher 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 September 2022 bills and payroll for the Bear Lake Regional Commission. And to ratify the payment of the August 2022 bills.**


Brad Jensen seconded the motion, motion carried.

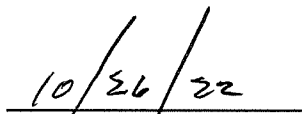
Adjourn

With no further business, the meeting ended at 8:21 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