

**SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION  
MAY 11, 1987**

The San Juan County Commission met in regular session on May 11, 1987 at the hour of 10 a.m. at the San Juan County Courthouse, Monticello, Utah.

The following member were present:      Commissioner Black, Chairman  
   Commissioner Bailey  
   Commissioner Maryboy

Minutes of the May 4, 1987 Commission Meeting were approved with the corrections on the motion of Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Bailey. UNANIMOUS.

**COMMISSIONER CALVIN BLACK'S REPORT**

**San Juan Water Conservancy District Board** - Commissioner Black said that there are three members on the Water Conservancy District Board whose term expired December 31, 1986 and were never re-appointed. Commissioner Black recommended that Norman Nielson of Blanding, Emery Hunt of Mexican Hat, and Clemma Johnson of Bluff be re-appointed to serve on the board. Commissioner Maryboy made the motion approving these appointments and Commissioner Black seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS. All three members terms will expire 12-31-89.

**Nursing Home Week May 11-16** - The Four Corners Regional Care Center is celebrating Nursing Home Week May 11-16. Many activities are planned for the week.

**Land Board Meeting** - Commissioner Black said he will be in Salt Lake tomorrow and plans to attend Land Board Meetings Wednesday and Thursday.

**San Juan Marina Dedication** - The San Juan Marina Dedication is Friday May 15 at 11 a.m.

**Bus Service** - Commissioner Black suggested that members from the Development Board, Commission, MITE, Blanding and Monticello city councils, UNDC, Navajo Tribe meet together with Continental Trailways to see if they will reinstate the bus service in San Juan County and also consider expanding service through the reservation.

**Utah Hospital Leader's Digest** - An article in the Utah Hospital Leader's Digest read "1986 Hospital Closure High." More hospitals closed in the U.S. in 1986 than in any other year of this decade. A total of 83 hospitals in 27 states closed their doors and 21 of these were state or local government owned.

**Small Miners** - A newsletter stated that the House Interior and Insula Affairs committee has passed out a bill to repeal the two acreage exemption in the surface mining control and reclamation act of 1987. Commissioner Black said this will have a negative impact on small miners.

**COMMISSIONER KENNETH BAILEY'S REPORT**

**Road School** - Commissioner Bailey reported the road school in Moab was very good. Commissioner Bailey said the school bus routes are not getting into the Needs Study. Commissioner Bailey said he made a presentation to the Highway Commission Friday morning stating that mineral lease funds should not be used on state highways, they should be used in the counties the funds came from. Dyke LeFevre, UDOT, said they have been authorized and allowed to use the mineral lease funds on state highways. Commissioner Bailey said he stressed that the mineral lease fund is Impact Money and gas tax funds should be used for state highways.

**Dust Guard** - Commissioner Bailey said that at the road school they showed a product similar to dust guard. Commissioner Bailey said they would like to try this on the road to Paiute Farms because it is really dusty. One gallon will treat 1000 gallons of water and will cost approx. \$500 a mile to stabilize the dirt road. Commissioner Bailey said the road department will proceed on getting prices. The Commission agreed that this would be worth a try.

**Needs Study** - The next Needs Study meeting is in Salt Lake on June 17 at 10 a.m. at the UDOT office building.

**City Streets Agreement with County** - Commissioner Bailey said it is the responsibility of the cities, per agreement, to seal the cracks and patch the streets. The employees have not been trained properly so the road department will hold a seminar to teach the road crews in both Monticello or Blanding how to seal and patch the streets. Commissioner Bailey said he would like permission to go into both Blanding and Monticello when the city and county road crews are working on the roads and use the vibrating roller to make the patches smoother.

**Skelton, Inc. Agreement Contract Gravel** - Commissioner Bailey made the motion approving a contract agreement between San Juan County and Skelton, Inc. for gravel crushing at the Bluff pit and authorized Commissioner Black to sign the contract. Commissioner Maryboy seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS. The contract was reviewed and approved by Craig Halls, county attorney and Doug Pehrson, county engineer.

**Roads on Reservation** - The Tribe is requiring that the county get right-of-ways to do road work on the reservation. The Commission asked Commissioner Maryboy to help the county get right-of-ways from the Tribe and also have the Chapters Tribal Councilman and Chairman get involved.

**Generator - Keith Ivins** - Commissioner Bailey said that Keith Ivins would like to purchase the generator from the county for \$1500 plus he owes \$100 in rent. Commissioner Bailey made the motion to approve the sell of the generator to Mr. Ivins. Commissioner Maryboy seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS.

**COMMISSIONER MARK MARYBOY'S REPORT**

**Goats Killed on Reservation** - Commissioner Maryboy said it was reported to him that nine goats were killed on the reservation on the south of the San Juan River. The Navajo Ranger and the State Ranger were notified and are investigating this matter. The Navajo families are concerned about this because it has been an on going problem. Commissioner Maryboy said he reported this to the county sheriff and will talk to the BLM because some people think it maybe the river runners.

**Navajo Land Purchase - West Water** - Commissioner Maryboy reported that he talked to the people at the Navajo Land Administration and they said the Navajo Tribal's Attorney General sent a statement to the BLM office agreeing to buy the land at West Water as "fee land".

**Montezuma Creek Police Department** - Commissioner Maryboy said the Navajo Police Department in Window Rock would like to reschedule a meeting to work on the Navajo Police building at Montezuma Creek.

**Proposals - Baseball fields and fire trucks** - Commissioner Maryboy said he plans to follow up on the two proposals the county submitted to the Tribe on the baseball fields and fire trucks. The county also needs to submit a request to the Tribe on the Senior Citizen program. Rick Bailey said he is working on it.

**Land Sale** - The people in Monument Valley and Oljato are concerned about the sale of state school sections of the reservation. Commissioner Black said he talked to the Director of State Lands about this and they agree that next time there is an exchange of state lands on the reservation the Navajo people will be notified and asked for their input and involvement.

**FOREST SERVICE - DRY WASH RESERVOIR**

Bob Day, District Ranger, and Joe Bistryski met with the Commission to discuss the status of the road construction in the area of the Dry Wash Reservoir. Mr. Day said he attended a meeting in which representatives of the Blanding Irrigation Company, San Juan Water Conservancy District, and the City of Blanding were present. They are all involved in the building of the Dry Wash Reservoir but the permit is in the name of the State Division of Water Resources. Mr. Day said he asked them to clarify who is really responsible for the project. Commissioner Bailey said the road construction was discussed this morning at the road meeting. The following letter explains what the county will do:

May 11, 1987

Mr. Robert Day  
 District Ranger  
 Monticello District  
 Monticello, Utah 84535

Dear Bob:

I am writing in reference to the road construction project on the Johnson Creek Road in the area of Dry Wash Reservoir. This project is located approximately 10 miles north of Blanding, Utah on County Road #285.

At the present time, San Juan County and the Forest Service have a cooperative agreement in which San Juan County will construct segments of this road while the Forest Service will perform the design engineering and supply the culverts for the projects. Two projects were completed under this agreement several years ago. Another project is planned for construction this summer in the area of Dry Wash Reservoir.

There are presently two roads which are used to get from one side of the reservoir to the other. The plan is to obliterate these two roads and construct 3300 feet of new road to the west. This is due to plans by the Blanding Irrigation Company to raise the Dry Wash Dam which would inundate the existing roads.

We fee the new route, as designed by the Forest Service is the best route. We feel this new route should be constructed regardless of whether or not the dam is raised. We wish this new alignment because we want the road constructed away from the reservoir.

The Forest Service has designed a route under the present agreement. We feel that the raising of the dam will have no effect on the construction of the road. The road must be relocated away from the reservoir regardless of whether the reservoir is increased in size or not. The number of culverts required by the alignment change made the Forest Service are identical to the culverts required if the road remained in its present location west of Dry Wash Reservoir.

We feel that the agreement presently in effect has been very beneficial to both San Juan County and the Forest Service. We would like to continue improving roads on the Forest in the future as outlined in the present agreement.

Sincerely,

San Juan County

/s/ Calvin Black  
 Calvin Black, Chairman

**PERSONNEL POLICY - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT**

Claude Lacy, Sheriff, met with the Commission to discuss an employee who was injured and is now receiving workman's compensation and also sick leave from the county. Mr. Lacy explained that the employee didn't report the claim at the time of the accident. Eleven days after the accident he called the secretary and said he was injured and the claim was filed with the Industrial Commission 28 days later by the secretary. The Commission asked Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant, to draft a memo stating that county employees should report an injury immediately after the accident and it should be reported to the supervisor department head and the claim be signed by the supervisor.

**WEED BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Jim Heaton, county weed agent, met with the Commission to discuss the weed control board. Mr. Heaton said that two people need to be appointed to the county weed board and recommended Bob Blankenagel of La Sal, and Roy Pehrson of Bluff. Commissioner Bailey made the motion appointing Mr. Blankenagel and Mr. Pehrson with terms of four years expiring May 11, 1991. Commissioner Maryboy seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS.

**WEED DEPARTMENT - SUMMER HELP**

Jim Heaton, county weed agent, met with the Commission for approval of summer part time help. The Commission asked Mr. Heaton if he had contacted Job Service and also check all the applications at the road department. Mr. Heaton said he checked the applications at the road department and will check with Job Service tomorrow. The Commission stressed that all county departments should contact Job Service when there is a job opening.

**BIDS - SPRINKLING SYSTEM - COURTHOUSE**

Dell Hunter, janitor, presented the Commission three bids for the sprinkling system at the courthouse. The following bids were received: Monticello Plumbing & Heating \$4369.27, Redd Plumbing \$3590.00, and Whipple Plumbing \$3959.51. Mr. Hunter recommended Redd Plumbing because of low bid. Commissioner Maryboy made the motion approving Redd Plumbing and Commissioner Bailey seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS.

**HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATOR - Physicians Recruitment**

John Fellmeth, hospital administrator, met with the Commission to discuss recruiting of physicians. The Commission believes at least two doctors need to practice in Blanding because Dr. Redd plans to leave in June.

**HOSPITAL EQUIPMENT**

Mr. Fellmeth said he would like to buy one ultrasonic nebulizer's with stand from Home Medical Equipment for \$795. The Commission approved the purchase but it will be put on the hospital board agenda for ratification.

**RECREATION - GOLF COURSE**

Grant Leavitt, golf course manager, met with the Commission to discuss equipment purchases for the Monticello golf course.

**COUNTY AUCTION**

Gail Johnson, clerk reported to the Commission that the county brought in approx. \$26,000 at the county auction.

**ELK TRANSPLANT ISSUES- FOREST SERVICE**

The Commissioner received a letter from the Forest Service and the BLM canceling the meeting that was set for 5-12-87 to discuss the proposed elk transplant. The letter suggested that the appealants organize their own meeting, invite the agencies, as they see fit, and select their own representatives or

spokesman.

**REGIONAL PRISON FACILITY**

The following letter was written by the Commission:

May 8, 1987

Mr. Neal P. Stowe, AIA, Director  
Division of Facilities Construction & Management  
Department of Administrative Services  
4110 State Office Building  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114

Mr. Gary W. Deland, Executive Director  
Utah Department of Corrections  
6100 South 300 East  
Salt Lake City, Utah 84107

RE: Request for Proposals (DFCM RFP 3-87)

Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure that the San Juan County Commission presents you with the application of the City of Monticello and San Juan County for the proposed 2,000 bed regional prison facility.

We believe that the site offered in the application is very suitable and will provide the State with the best possible location for the prison. The site will be donated to the State by the City of Monticello. All utilities needed by the facility are within a short distance and all have sufficient capacities to serve the prison. Most, if not all the utilities companies have agreed to provide all materials to the site for hookup at no cost to the State. San Juan County has agreed to furnish necessary access roads from US 666 to the site.

As you are aware, the County has been involved in attempting to secure such a facility as this for several years and the Department of Corrections has been in the area reviewing potential sites over the past years.

The addition of such a facility to the City of Monticello and San Juan County would provide economic support and stability to this area of the State. We believe that governmental services such as schools, roads, police and fire can support the facility without additional increase of staff, building or equipment. A substantial number of suitable employees would also be available within the County to staff the facility.

We would sincerely appreciate your review of this application and are confident that in your review that you will find this site as the best for the State of Utah. If you need additional information regarding this application, please feel free to contact us.

Thank you for your attention to this request.

Very truly,

The San Juan County Commission

/s/ Calvin Black  
Calvin Black, Chairman

/s/ Kenneth R. Bailey  
Kenneth R. Bailey, Vice Chairman

/s/ Mark Maryboy  
Mark Maryboy, Commissioner

Enclosure

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**PERSONNEL POLICY - HIRING POLICY**

Rick Bailey, Administrative Assistant, asked the Commission for permission to draft a memo of new hiring procedures for the county personnel policy. The Commission approved the request and said the memo should clarify that Job Service be contacted for every job opening.

**SENIOR CITIZENS DIRECTOR - MONTICELLO**

Rick Bailey, Aging Director, said he interviewed applicants last week and selected a person for the senior citizen director of Monticello. Mr. Bailey recommended that Mary Ann Brown be hired at \$5.13 per hour part-time at 20 - 25 hour per week with no benefits. Commissioner Bailey made the motion to approve the hiring of Mrs. Brown and Commissioner Maryboy seconded the motion. UNANIMOUS.

**STATE DIVISION OF MENTAL HEALTH**

Charles Patterson and Don Mueller, State Division of Mental Health, Bruce Shumway, Social Services, Mark Lyman and Garth Skousen, Mental Health, met with the Commission. Mr. Mueller said they are visiting all the county mental health employees around the state and are discussing the new program. The contract this year will be between San Juan County Mental Health and the Utah State Division of Mental Health, the county will have to contract with Social Services. The Commission asked Bruce Shumway to review the contract and will also ask the county attorney to review the contract.

**PRIVATE PRACTICE - MENTAL HEALTH STAFF**

Bruce Shumway, Social Service Director, Garth Skousen and Mark Lyman, Mental Health Staff met with the Commission to discuss private practice by Mental Health Staff. The Commission said the proposal as outlined is very good and will have the county attorney review it. The Commission said there is a potential for several problems but if they are recognized now and very specific guidelines are set so there is no guessing and it has a good chance of working. Mr. Shumway recommended that if the private practice requests are approved, that they be reviewed again in six months or a year, and the option to reject the approval be retained.

**ALCOHOLISM AND DRUGS - SAN JUAN COMMUNITY SOCIAL SERVICES FY 88**

Bruce Shumway, Social Services, presented the Commission the Alcoholism and Drugs Comprehensive plan for FY 88. The Commission will review it and put it on the agenda next week for approval.

**MONTUZUMA CREEK NAVAJO POLICE STATION**

The Commission received the following letter concerning the Montezuma Creek Elementary School lease:

April 22, 1987

San Juan County Commission  
P.O. Box 338  
Monticello, Utah 84535

Dear County Commissioners:

This letter is in reference to a facility and site, the former Montezuma Creek Elementary School and your lease with the Navajo Nation for use of the facility. Our department, Industrial Development Department, has been approached by a prospective tenant for the facility concerning lease negotiations for the entire facility to establish a manufacturing plant and create employment for the area.

It would be appreciated if you could inform us if you still wish to develop and utilize the facility. If you do not have any immediate need for it, your relinquishment back to the Navajo Nation in writing, would be appreciated.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please feel free to contact our department at 602/871-6504, 6507 or 6644. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

/s/ Lawrence L. Sells  
Lawrence L. Sells, Director  
Industrial Development  
Department

**ROAD - RIO ALGOM MINING CORP.**

The Commissioner received the following letter:

May 4, 1987

San Juan County Commissioner  
117 South Main Street  
Monticello, Utah 84535

Gentlemen:

All our personnel who make the daily trip from town to the Minesite beg and beseech you to patch the holes in Lisbon's access road and particularly the stretch from the access road to the junction of highways 113 and 46.

Yours very sincerely,

M. D. Lawton  
President

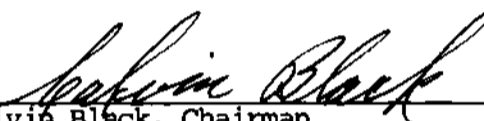
**BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT**

Americal Business Products, Inc.	first aid kits sheriffs dept	232.95
Wynn Bartholomew	reimb. civil process	10.50
Boy Scouts of America	supplies M library	54.14
CODE Co.	supplies M library	75.00
Cortez Newspapers, Inc.	classified ad	215.45
B. Dalton Bookseller	supplies M library	19.75
Jay Dee Harris	part & Supplies road dept	189.01
Rose & Sam Jelly	witness fees	28.00
Jems Response	renewal emergency services	25.75
Nuclear Testing Services	leak test	12.50
San Miquel County Sheriff's Dept	non-service fee	5.00
Softline	fast back utility	89.00
Superior Receipt Book Company	supplies clerk's office	52.88
Redd Plumbing & Solar	rainbird sprinkler system	3,590.00
Maxon Electronics, Inc.	COD surveyor's office	171.98
Western Honda	lawnmower Library M	499.95
Abajo Archaeology	copper mill project	717.45
Alan's Body Shop	windshield road dept	295.64
Anderson & Anderson	reservation tax litigation	3,076.95
Aquatech Pool & Patio Shoppe	supplies recreation	76.25
Black Oil Company	fuel road dept	8,479.71
Blanding City of	utilities road shed	366.99
Blanding City Justice Court	pawn sold auction	33.00
HF Cosby Jr.	hauling road dept	1,848.00
Dana Larson Roubal & Assoc	architectural eng. fees	18,375.00
Empire Electric Assoc	Pub. Safety Bldg. electric	12,466.72
First Security Bank of Utah	liability payroll run	1,392.40
Forestry Suppliers Inc.	supplies surveyors office	72.72
Frito-Lay, Inc.	vending machine supplies	11.83
H&K Lock Smith Shop	repair fire extinguishers	23.00
Int. Business Machines	installment pymt	879.76
Howard Johnsons	travel Rick Bailey	78.00
Kar Products Inc.	parts road dept	57.65
Kenneth Miller	hauling road dept	2,271.50
Monticello city of	secondary Water Library M	136.00
Monticello Mercantile	supplies Rick Bailey	22.77
Motor Parts Company	parts road dept	426.85

Office Equipment Company	typewriter aging program	1,335.00
Palmer's	supplies Library B	179.87
Park's Sportsman	supplies recreation dept	323.70
Phillips Petroleum Company	gas purchased sheriffs dept	62.90
Parley Redd's Food Town	supplies Library B	108.81
Riverview Service Station	parts Montezuma Creek Pool	20.00
Salt Lake Stamp Company	supplies dept of aging	26.61
San Juan County	fuel parts division aging	1,681.23
San Juan County Hospital	Lab/Chemistry H. DeJolie	27.00
S.J. County 12th Circuit Court	bail sent wrong court	123.00
San Juan Credit Union	liability payroll run	185.00
San Juan Health Care Services	capital request	1,225.35
San Juan Pharmacy	supplies recreation dept	9.60
The San Juan Record	supplies development board	193.00
San Juan School District	garnishment fees	3.00
Saveway Automotive	parts road dept	110.85
Scenic Aviation	Window Rock attorney	127.50
Dayne Shumway Const	hauling road dept	1,809.50
Skelton, Inc.	crushing gravel rd dept	44,985.00
Swenson, Eric P.	defender indigency	175.00
Texaco Refining & Marketing In	gas purchased dept aging	10.95
United States Welding, Inc.	cylinder rent road dept	170.40
Utah Dept Employ Security	Stanley Byron Hawkins	294.00
Utah Navajo Industries	supplies road dept	3.36
Utah Public Employers Assoc.	liability payroll run	19.87
Utah State Retirement Fund	liability payroll run	174.34
Utah State Tax Commission	liability payroll run	295.78

**ADJOURNED**

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

  
 Calvin Black, Chairman

  
 Karen Halls, Deputy Clerk