

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 6, 1988

The regular meeting of the San Juan County Commission convened at 10:00 A.M. in the San Juan County Commission Chambers at Monticello, Utah.

Commissioners Present: Calvin Black
Kenneth Bailey
Mark Maryboy

A motion to approve the minutes of August 22, 1988 as corrected was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

CURRENT BUSINESS

Mexican Water Chapter President/David Yanito - Mexican Water Chapter President David Yanito met with the Commission and presented a resolution for the Mexican Water Chapter road priorities. Those road projects have been delayed because the BIA has not completed the archaeological clearance needed to receive permission to use the white shale in the area. Mr. Yanito requested that the County go ahead and use the shale pit near Richard Yanito's and the Mexican Water Chapter would take responsibility for any problems that may arise. David Yanito has the grazing permits in the area and has given his permission to use the permit.

Harts Draw Road/Crowley Construction Payment - A motion to approve the payment of \$49,563.90 to Crowley Construction for work on the Harts Draw Road was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. UNANIMOUS.

San Juan County Personnel Policy - The Commission reviewed the San Juan County Personnel Policy, making the needed changes to update the policy. A motion to approve the policy as amended was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. UNANIMOUS.

Montezuma Creek Police Station Remodeling Bid - The only bid on the Montezuma Creek Police Station remodeling was received from Tri-Hurst Construction for \$112,932. This bid exceeded the budgeted amount of \$60,000, however the Commission felt that adjustments could be made in some other areas and that the bid should be awarded. A motion was made by Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Bailey to approve the bid from Tri-Hurst Construction pending approval from the Community Impact Board. UNANIMOUS.

Crew-Cab Pickup/Surveyor's Office - One bid was received for the purchase of a one-ton crew-cab and chassis from Mike Young, Inc. for \$17,375 for the surveyor's office. A motion to accept the bid was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. UNANIMOUS.

Cherokee Jeep Bid/Sheriff's Department - A bid of \$17,400 each was received from Mike Young, Inc. for the purchase of two Jeep Cherokees for the sheriff's department. The Commission deferred action on the purchase until such time as the tax initiative issue is decided. If at that time the funding is available, the bid will be accepted and the two Jeep Cherokees ordered. There will be no rebidding process for the jeeps. Mr. Young said that if a rebate becomes available they will allow it.

Beer License/Sand Island Trading Post - An application for a beer license for R.D. Price dba the Sand Island Trading Post was approved and signed upon completion of the application. The motion was made by Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Bailey. UNANIMOUS.

Monticello City Mayor Sonderegger/Impact Board Request - Monticello City Mayor Ernest Sonderegger expressed appreciation to Commissioners Black and Bailey for their efforts and help in obtaining the grant and loan for Monticello City from the Community Impact Board for the proposed tannery project.

San Juan County Health Care Audit - Hospital Administrator John Fellmeth met with the Commission to comment on the 1987 San Juan County Health Care Audit. Mr. Fellmeth was unable to attend the meeting where the audit was reported and felt that certain points ought to be recorded that may not have been clarified in the last commission meeting. Mr. Fellmeth felt that the account in the paper was erroneous in that it stated that the audit for San Juan County was sound in 1987 with the exception of the health care. The article pointed out an operating loss of over \$400,000 and accounts receivable balance of \$734,000 plus bad debts which were excessively high. Mr. Fellmeth is not denying that in 1988 the hospital has had considerable financial difficulty but in 1987 there was considerable progress made in several areas. In regards to the accounts receivable balance of \$734,000, Mr. Fellmeth felt that Mr. Stagg misunderstood what was happening in the hospital as well as a misstatement in the audit report. When Dr. Redd left, the health care staff agreed to collect his accounts receivable for him even though they were not formally purchased. In exchange for him leaving his medical records the hospital agreed to collect the accounts receivable for five months, which would be through the end of 1987. Then every month they would send him a check for the amount that came in on the accounts. Rather than set up a new account and set of books to handle these accounts they were just run through the hospital books and accounts. At the end of 1987 the total amount of Dr. Redd's accounts receivable that was still on the hospital books was over \$100,000. This was explained to the auditors but apparently the decision was made to leave those on the hospital books. Shortly after the first of the year, these accounts were returned to Dr. Redd. The hospital's actual gross accounts receivable declined \$20,000 and the net accounts receivable declined \$15,000 during 1987. Even with that decline the accounts receivable were higher but the numbers given by Mr. Stagg and the general concept given to the Commissioners that the hospital was running out of control with their accounts receivable and collection was not the case. Mr. Fellmeth and the Commission agreed that the accounts receivable are excessively high. The Commission also felt that Mr. Fellmeth should draft a letter to Mr. Stagg outlining Dr. Redd's accounts receivable. The point that Mr. Fellmeth wanted brought out was that the hospital was making significant strides in the right direction in 1987. However, during 1988 things have deteriorated significantly, due to problems already discussed. The reported book loss during 1987 was \$400,000 and the hospital asked for \$100,000 of operating money from the County. The difference reflects the fact that money was being collected faster than being billed and the hospital was staying ahead cash wise. Mr. Fellmeth also reported that \$65,000 was spent on physician recruitment during 1987 and also lost \$65,000 to \$70,000 on the operation of the Blanding Clinic during six months of 1987. Some basis in fact was made for the recommendations issued in the management letter.

Hospital Policy/R.N.Status - Hospital Administrator John Fellmeth reported to the Commission that one of the graduate nurses who has taken the additional training required to obtain her R.N. degree did not pass the state board exams. When she completed her training a special dispensation was given to her to act as a registered nurse with the back up of another registered nurse on call until such time as she had passed her state boards. The graduate nurse has been paid an entry level registered nurses salary since she returned to the hospital but since she did not pass the exams she cannot continue acting as a registered nurse and can only act as an LPN therefore, her wages will have to be returned to that of an LPN. She has requested additional compensation for the additional training she has received above the normal LPN

salary. The Commission felt that there ought to be some level of pay more than an LPN but less than an RN for that person as long as they are in that position. The consensus was that she should be paid according to her previous LPN salary until the matter can be decided at the next Hospital Board meeting at which time an adjustment can be made.

LHS Management Company - Tom Mingen, president of the LHS Management Company, met with the Commission to discuss the contract for the management of the San Juan County Hospital. Mr. Mingen reviewed his background and the background of the LHS Management Company, a subsidiary of Lutheran Health Systems in Fargo, North Dakota. The Management company operates in nine different states with 23 different hospital contracts as well as a number of consulting job they do throughout the West. The management company has dedicated themselves only to concentrate on rural health care facilities. They do not go into facilities with over 100 total beds. The board of directors of the company is made up of active board member of facilities managed by the company, thereby the management company really is working for the facilities they are contracting with. Basically, the major points they try to emphasize is (1) flexible management by presenting the options, what will happen and their recommendations but the final decision will be from the local board. (2) They believe that professional management is important to the success of any operation. (3) They also believe in a lot of organization. A plan of operation is presented and reviewed with the board of directors. All of the recommendations do not need to be bought but everyone including the medical staff, the employees and the community need to understand how the goals need to be accomplished. Two requirements are placed upon Mr. Mingen by his board of directors before a management contract can be signed. (1) He has to assure them that the management company can help San Juan County Health Care, and (2) that they can add value to the operation. Mr. Mingen indicated that if an agreement is reached today that an interim administrator will be at the hospital by next Tuesday. He would also consider those applicants already interested in being a permanent administrator of the health care facilities. Commissioner Black indicated that the County was in the preliminary stages of creating a health service district and Mr. Mingen said they have worked with this type of situation in other facilities. The Management Companies philosophy on rural health care management is that the less dependence on government the better regardless of which direction the County goes.

The contract was reviewed and changes suggested by the Commission. Mr. Mingen indicated that he would have no problem with the suggested changes and will call the changes into the management company and a corrected copy of the contract will be presented at the next commission meeting for signing. The Commission expressed the desire to proceed as soon as possible. Mr. Mingen indicated that he would be willing to proceed with a verbal agreement from the Commission. The Commission felt that Dr. Warren should be given the opportunity to go over the contract but with his concurrence they agreed to sign the contract as corrected and for the LHS Management Company to proceed with their plans.

COMMISSIONER CALVIN BLACK'S REPORT

Blanding Airport - Commissioner Black reported that Blanding City has nearly completed the installation of a security fence around the Blanding airport.

Department of Natural Resources Grant - The Community Impact Board unanimously approved a \$49,500 grant to the Department of Natural Resources to pursue the Lake Powell land exchange proposal. The Department of Natural Resources will be making some studies about what can be done and the economic aspects of the exchange.

Blanding Clinic Physician - A letter has been received from Dr. De Lamar Gibbons indicating he would be interested in coming back to Blanding. The letter will be given to the San Juan Health Care Board for further action.

Congressman Wayne Owens Letter - Commissioner Black received a copy of a letter from Congressman Wayne Owens to Mr. Kemp Conn, acting State Director of the BLM regarding his concern about the San Juan Area Resource Management Plan. Congressman Owens stated that he wanted the BLM to leave the SJARMP as it is presently written. He is opposed to it being changed or being made less stringent.

An article in the Utah Mining Association Digest Report stated that Congressman Wayne Owens is going to introduce a bill in 1989 to designate 5,000,000 acres of BLM land as wilderness. That is in contrast to the BLM's preliminary report that found 1.9 million acres suitable.

Commission Workshop/Sweetwater - On September 8 and 9 the Utah Association of Counties is holding the Fall Workshop for Commission and County Executive/Council members on the shore of Bear Lake at the Sweetwater Resort. Commissioner Black reported that one of the major points of discussion will be the special service districts to receive the mineral lease and state PILT funds. Other issues to be discussed will be a section on informing the electorate on the tax limitation, defining the role of county government and an interim recommendation involving the assessing and collecting, highway funding, the status of the district court transfer, JP court legislation and the use of mineral lease and other federal monies toward UAC dues.

Environmental Impact - Commissioner Black reported on an article in the Mountain States Legal Foundation publication. The Forest Service is proposing to close a road that serves a town in Wyoming. It is the only access that the town of Yellow Pine, Wyoming has during the winter months. The road goes through the Boise and Payette National Forests and the Forest Service has been encouraged to close the road by the wilderness society and other environmental group to protect the area as grey wolf habitat. In a court case on the issue the Mountain States Legal Foundation asked the court to order the Forest Service to recognize that congress and federal law gives rights of access to people living within the boundaries of the national forests. The article further stated that pressure from environmental groups on Forest Service officials caused the Forest Service to overstep the bounds of the law. The reasons given for closing the road were tenuous at best and must be concluded that environmentalists are attempting to use the Forest Service to create defacto wilderness outside the congressional process. The judge has ruled that landowners have to be given a key to the gates that are blocking the road but the general public can't use them.

Other information in the Mountain States Legal Foundation publication stated that environmentalists are also using the spotted owl to stop timbering and other things even though it is not an endangered species. The Forest Service made a mistake by signing a memorandum of understanding with one of the environmental groups that they would study the spotted owl and it is now being used to stop productivity within forest areas. These are just a couple of examples of what is being done all over the country.

National Park Service Lands/Mining Claims - The National Park Service has issued a final rule affecting mining claims held on National Park lands under the mining act of 1872, which states that when a national park is created if there are valid mining rights they will be valid. National Park Service says the rule clarifies that its regulations control all activities within National Park Service units regardless of how access is gained to a claim or whether a claim was located before or after the land was incorporated into a park. The Interior Department has asked Congress for authority to protect national parks, trails, wilderness areas and wild and scenic rivers from coal mining activity. The bill would allow the department to trade private coal rights inside such units for leases elsewhere.

Uranium Industry - The U.S. Energy Department told Congress that federal legislation is needed to restructure the enrichment business and revitalize the domestic uranium industry. The U.S. Senate has adopted a budget amendment to provide 1.75 billion for a uranium revitalization fund.

Green River Museum - Green River is going to be breaking ground for a John W. Powell Museum on September 17th. The San Juan County Commissioners have been invited to the event.

Noxious Weed Coordinating Committee - A noxious weed coordinating committee is being formed by the State of Utah. They are concerned about new noxious weeds that have shown up in Box Elder County. Commissioner Bailey will see that a questionnaire sent to the County by Congressman Howard C. Nielson on the noxious weeds within San Juan County will be filled out and returned to Congressman Nielson's office.

Health Service District - Commissioner Black had previously authorized a notice to be published for a public hearing to be held on September 26th at the County Courthouse. At that time public comments will be taken with regard to establishing a San Juan County Health Service District. The purpose of the health service district would be to own, maintain, conduct, operate and carry on the business of health care services which are hospitals, clinics, ambulances, etc. Taxes may be levied annually upon all taxable property within the service district and fees and charges may be imposed to pay for all the services provided. After the hearing, if the Commission determines to go ahead with that, the County would propose a taxing rate that the district would be able to levy for operations. The current consensus is that the County would authorize a tax rate of .0006 which would be the equivalent of 3 mills which would yield, under present tax valuation, \$401,000. If the district were created, it would be anticipated that the County's budget would be reduced by exactly the rate which would be authorized by the health district. A five member board, or more, could either be appointed or elected, three for a four-year term and two for a two-year term. If the process is approved then it would be put on the ballot in November for authorization by the voters as the tax rate cannot be levied unless approved by the electorate. The issue cannot be put on the ballot unless the process is begun now. If at any point in time, reasons and evidence comes out that its not a good idea then the Commission can abandon the process at any time. The Commission felt that in the event the tax initiatives pass, a health service district would enable the hospital and health care services to continue. It would also enable health care services to be funded in the event the assessed valuation continues to decline. A motion to propose the establishment of a health service district and authorize the notification of a public hearing was made by Commissioner Maryboy and seconded by Commissioner Bailey. UNANIMOUS.

Resolution - 1988-5

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY REQUIRE THE CREATION OF A SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT, DEFINING THE BOUNDARIES OF SAID SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT AND THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED THEREIN, PROVIDING FOR A HEARING ON THE CREATION OF SAID SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT, PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID HEARING AND RELATED MATTERS.

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan County, Utah, believes that the public health, convenience and necessity require the provision of health care services within a specified area of the County and therefore it is desirable to incorporate said area into a Special Service District pursuant to the provisions of the Utah Special Service District Act, Chapter 23, Title 11, Utah Code annotated, 1953, as amended, and Article XIV, Section 8 of the Constitution of Utah; and

WHEREAS, all property of the area to be contained within the said proposed Special Service District will be benefited by the creation thereof; and

WHEREAS, none of the area to be contained within the boundaries of said proposed Special Service District is also within the boundaries of any other special service district established by said County to provide health related services, nor is the area within any other district presently providing similar services:

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it Resolved by the Board of County Commissioners of San Juan County, Utah as follows:

Section 1. The public health, convenience and necessity, requires the creation within San Juan County, Utah, of a Special Service District (the "District") pursuant to the provisions of the Utah Special Service District Act, Chapter 23, Title 11, Utah Code Annotated, 1953, as amended, and Article XIV, Section 8 of the Constitution of Utah.

Section 2. The boundaries of the District to be so established shall be as set forth in the Notice of Hearing in Section 7 hereof.

Section 3. The District is to be created for the purpose of providing health care services within its boundaries through the construction, purchase, gift, condemnation or any combination thereof of the facilities or systems necessary to provide said services, and to finance the same.

Section 4. The District so created shall be known as "San Juan Health Service District".

Section 5. A public hearing on the question of the creation of the District shall be held by the Board of County Commissioners at 2:00 P.M. on September 26, 1988, at which time and place all interested parties may appear and be heard either in support of or in opposition to the creation of the District as more fully described in the Notice of Intention set forth in Section 7 hereof.

Section 6. A Notice of the Intention to create the District shall be published at least once a week during three consecutive weeks, the first publication to be not less than twenty-one (21) days nor more than thirty-five (35) days before the hearing, in the San Juan Record, a newspaper having general circulation in San Juan County.

Section 7. The Notice of Intention to be published shall be in substantially the following form:

NOTICE OF INTENTION
TO CREATE A SAN JUAN HEALTH SERVICE DISTRICT

Notice is hereby given that a public hearing will be held on September 26th, 1988 at the County Courthouse at 2:00 P.M. for the purpose for taking public comment with regard to the proposed establishment of a San Juan Health Service District. The boundaries of the Health Service District shall be the same as the boundaries of San Juan County as described in Utah Code Annotated, Section 17-1-22, to wit:

Beginning on the Eastern Boundary of the State at latitude 38 30' North, thence West to the middle channel of the Green River, thence Southwesterly down the middle of the channels of the Green and Colorado Rivers to the Southern Boundary of the State. Thence East to the Eastern Boundary of the State, thence North to the point of beginning.

The purpose and type of service of the Health Service District shall be to own, maintain, conduct, operate, and carry on the business of health care services. To buy, sell, ship, store, and otherwise deal, acquire, and dispose of every kind of medical equipment, supplies, and services, scientific instruments, equipment, buildings, real and personal property, convenient for the operation and conduct of the general business of dispensing health care services.

Taxes may be annually levied upon all taxable property within the Service District and fees and charges may be imposed to pay for all or part of the services provided.

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Section 8. The officers of San Juan County, Utah, are hereby authorized and directed to take all action necessary or appropriate to effectuate the provisions of this resolution.

Section 9. If any one or more sections, sentences, clauses, or parts of this resolution shall, for any reason, be questioned or held invalid, such judgement shall not affect, impair, or invalidate the remaining provisions of this resolution, but shall be confined in its operation to the specific sections, sentences, clauses, or parts of this resolution so held unconstitutional and invalid, and the inapplicability and invalidity of any section, sentence, clause or part of this resolution in any one or more instances shall not affect or prejudice in any way the applicability and validity of this resolution in any other instances.

Section 10. All resolutions, by laws and regulations of San Juan County, Utah, in conflict with this resolution, are hereby repealed to the extent only of such inconsistency. This repealer shall not be construed to revive any resolution, by-law, or regulation, or part thereof, heretofore repealed.

/s/ Calvin Black,

ATTEST:

/s/ Gail D. Johnson

Gail D. Johnson, County Clerk
(SEAL)

Calvin Black, Chairperson

Del Webb Corporation - Commissioner Black has previously reported that the Dell Webb Corporation is liquidating their recreational facilities. In 1982 a bond election was held in which \$3,000,000 was approved. The proceeds of the sale of the bonds was loaned to the corporation for the purpose of constructing additions to the existing marinas and commercial facilities located at Hite Marina and the Hall's Crossing Marina and the acquisition of equipment to be located at the Marinas. A letter had been written inquiring about the status of the County's investment with the corporation. A letter has been received from the Del Webb Corporation which says they have the requested information on the investment. However, it has not been compiled in the requested format by project by property. The information will be forthcoming by October 1st.

Seminar - A seminar is to be held at Milwaukee, Wisconsin hosted by the College of Forestry and Tourism Center at the University of Minnesota and the Eastern Region of the Forest Service. It will be sponsored by the University of Minnesota, the Department of Agriculture, Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management, National Park Service and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Some of the items to be discussed will be: Resource management of wilderness and adjacent lands outside wilderness; the Idaho Wilderness Conference; wilderness values and management; issues, concerns and opportunities of the interrelationship of contiguous lands and wilderness and managements.

COMMISSIONER KENNETH BAILEY'S REPORT

Oljato Bridge/Todahaidekani Shale Pit - Commissioner Bailey reported that the necessary information has been given to Commissioner Maryboy to follow up on the archaeological studies on the Oljato Bridge and Todahaidekani shale pit while he is in Window Rock.

Road Foreman Position - Commissioner Bailey will be interviewing the road foreman applicants this afternoon prior to making a recommendation to the Commission.

Sortore House - A report on the condition of the Sortore house was presented. The house is the property of San Juan County as a result of delinquent taxes. Mr. Roland Francom has expressed an interest in purchasing the house. Commissioner Bailey inspected the house and reported that a broken water line had caused the wall to bulge and flooding in the utility, kitchen, dining room living room, hall and two bedrooms. Mr. Bailey was unable to determine if there were other frozen and broken water lines. The carpeting has been removed and the particle board in the rooms is warped. Some of windows are damaged and stained and holes have been knocked in the sheetrock in several walls. The inside doors have been damaged and the wood burning stove has been incorrectly installed and the hearth is ruined. A motion to advertise the house for sale was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

Tannery/Monticello Area - Commissioner Bailey expressed appreciation to Commissioner Black for his efforts on negotiations with the Impact Board in behalf of a tannery to be located in the Monticello area. Mr. Bailey reported that the Community Impact Board approved a 25 year 4% loan in the amount of \$720,000 to Monticello City as well as a grant for \$268,000. The local share amounted to \$183,001.00: Monticello City \$20,000 for water connections, etc.; San Juan County, \$95,254.00 for road and parking construction; Empire Electric, \$51,000.00 for power to the plant; Utah Gas, \$10,000 for gas to the plant; Contel, \$6,747.00 for phone lines to the plant. Abbas Fadel, the proposed owner, would put in the waste water recycling system, clarifier and lagoons for \$630,000 in the form of purchase of equipment, letter of credit or some other means. The total project will be \$1,801,001.00. The grant and loan was approved unananimously contingent to everyone's compliance.

Public Safety Building - A motion to approve the requested payment for the Public Safety Building in the amount of \$184,169 for Valley Builders and \$15,000 for retainage was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

Road Department Temporary Employees - A motion to approve the hiring of Johnny L. Billsie and Bruce A. Black as temporary road crew employees at grade 5 step 1, \$6.02 per hour, was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. UNANIMOUS.

Road Department Purchases - A request for 100 feet of 1/0 1056X30 strand welding lead cable was bid by Four Corners Welding for \$117.00 delivered and U.S. Welding for \$150.00 delivered. Commissioner Bailey made a motion to accept the low bid of \$117 from Four Corners Welding. Commissioner Maryboy seconded the motion.

A request for a tachometer with carrying case, battery, charger, rechargeable batteries was bid by W.W. Granger for \$339.85 and from Wheeler Machinery for \$337.34. Commissioner Bailey made a motion to accept the low bid from Wheeler Machinery without the recharger as it would not be an asset to the County. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Maryboy. UNANIMOUS.

Senior Citizens Complaint - The Monticello Senior Citizens have asked why the new bus cannot be taken on trips outside of the State of Utah. Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey reported that the guidelines from the State have stipulated that the bus cannot be taken out of the state unless for medical purposes. Then it can be taken out of state only as long as it is within a 100 mile radius of the County. Commissioner Bailey also requested that electric wires be placed on the roof above the entry way at the Senior Citizens Center to help keep the snow cleared off the roof.

COMMISSIONER MARK MARYBOY'S REPORT

Red Mesa Road - Commissioner Maryboy reported that the road in the Red Mesa area really looks good and the crews have done a very good job on the road.

Montezuma Creek Residents - The Montezuma Creek residents are still complaining about the low flying aircraft in the area. The military is conducting training for national security and the Commission has no authority in the matter.

Tax Initiatives - Commissioner Maryboy reported that the Navajo people would like information to be able to understand the tax initiatives that will appear on the ballots at the general election. Commissioner Black stated that the initiatives are more specific this year and should be easier to vote for or against at the polls.

UNDC Board Meeting - Commissioner Maryboy will attend the UNDC Board Meeting Thursday in Window Rock and try to follow through on the Oljato Bridge and Todahaidekani shale pit archaeological issues with tribal officials.

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT RICK BAILEY'S REPORT

Utah Energy Grant - A request had previously been received from the Utah Energy Office regarding possible grants for different types of buildings. The County applied for a grant for the Monticello Swimming Pool as an area that would qualify. A specialist reviewed the pool and based on his review and report the County has been awarded a grant for the amount of \$404 which would insulate the hot water tank.

Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey was not aware of whether they checked the solar system or not. A motion to approve the grant and authorize Chairman Black to sign the contracts was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

Armstrong Consultants/Halls Crossing Airport - Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey presented the preapplication package from Armstrong Consultants on the area improvement district on the airport at Halls Crossing. A motion to approve the preapplication package and authorize Chairman Black to sign the contract was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

Hazardous Material Response Plan - The County is required to submit to the state a hazardous material response plan by the 1st of October. Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey has a draft copy of the plan which will be mailed to the local planning commission to review. After the changes have been made, the plan will be sent to the state. After they have reviewed it, the plan will be returned to the Commission for their signatures.

Library Personnel Salary Requests - The Commission will defer action on these until Commissioner Bailey can review them with the Library Board.

Climbing Accident - Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey reported a rock climbing accident near Dugout Ranch on September 5th. It required the injured climber to be removed with ropes, etc. Six people had been sent to Durango recently for search and rescue training. Five of those people responded to the accident and did an outstanding job in the rescue operation.

BILLS APPROVED FOR PAYMENT

Jeffrey Sallee	labor/roofing county fail bldg	\$ 75.00
Kee Y. Dee	broken windshield	178.91
San Juan County Sheriffs Office	petty cash	100.70
Anderson & Peterson & Co.	audit fee	3,000.00
Tierre Patterson	life insurance premium refund	64.17
Todd Hurst	life insurance premium refund	103.56
Doug Ewart	lifeguard Monticello swimming pool	448.90
Colleen Harvey	meals served July & August 1988	1,194.00
Dayne Shunway Enterprises	hauling road department	2,213.75
Honest Dollar Construction	hauling road department	1,232.00
H.F. Cosby Trucking	hauling road department	1,655.50
L.P.B. Trucking	hauling road department	2,478.50
Alfred Vigil	umpire softball games	20.00
Becky Benally	teaching swimming Montezuma Creek	30.00
Charles Bowles	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Bill Christensen	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Rudolph Cook	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
William Monte Dalton	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Tom Dyer	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Helen Howell	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Diane Jackson	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Billy Lee King	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Kirby, Jack H.	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Claude Lacy	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Leavitt, Grant H.	green fees Aug. 1988	2,038.90
Leavitt, Grant	meals served prisoners, August	224.00
Venice Lyman	restitution Kelly Shunway	100.00
Martha J. McCann	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Monticello City Justice/Court	sheriffs office collection	380.00
Jack L. Mortensen	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Lynnette Palmer	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	25.00
Jerold Perkins	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Andy Peterson	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
William H. Pierce	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Kevin R. Rhoades	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
San Juan County Hospital	restitution Harold Jones	150.00
Steve Stovall	uniform allowance Aug. 1988	60.00
Crowley Constructions	Harts Draw road project	49,563.90
A-I Heating & Refrigeration	parts Bluff Community Bldg	1,020.43
Leon Adams	herbicide purchased	150.00
ABC Distributing, Inc.	supplies development board	7.05
Mike Bradford	witness fees/Johathan Johnson	14.00
Best Western Wayside Inn	lodging fair judge	44.10
Colorado Kenworth, Inc.	parts road department	89.78
Georgan Burtenshaw	witness fees	20.60
Childrens Press	supplies library (M)	195.23
Communication Plus/Kim Hoggard	repairs phone courthouse	40.00
The Flower Shop	supplies recreation department	32.88
Garth Heaton	registration Peggy Humphreys	50.00
Hodges Badge Company, Inc.	supplies extension office	61.00
Leonard Howe	witness fees	32.00
Gary Halls	herbicide purchased	150.00
Hoyt Hoagland	herbicide purchased	96.19
The Hollinger Corp	photo supplies	135.21
International City Mgt. Assn.	book Clerk's office	21.00
Koskie Farms	supplies road department	46.46
Lely Southwest, Inc.	parts road department	1,940.03
Media Source	supplies library (B)	100.10
Honest Dollar Construction	hauling road department	2,117.50
Sam Goodman	photo labor historical society	157.00
Mitchell McCann	standby time/August 1988	20.00
Bob McPhearson	travel expenses to Navajo Mountain	200.00
Office Outfitters, Inc.	repairs road department	205.00
Thomas and/or Jeannie Ostermann	partial refund of bail	40.00
Scott G. Ormond	partial refund of bail	20.00
Pool'n Patio Supply	parts recreation	27.42
Herbert H. Poole	herbicide purchased	150.00
Owen Poole	herbicide purchased	150.00
Prime Learning International	Managing Stress in Office	69.00
LaRee Peterson	witness fees	20.60
Auline Peterson	witness fees	14.00
Wayne C. Rasmussen	herbicide purchased	142.50
Kellie Roring	work historical society	49.25
Sweepster Jenkins Equip. Co., Inc.	supplies road department	64.05
Dayne Shunway Enterprises	hauling road department	2,502.50

Shirley's Bakery	donuts sheriffs office	33.30
Linda Stitler	herbicide purchased	150.00
Sports Illustrated	subscription library (B)	32.13
Sun Photo Services	development prints/historical society	57.52
Southwest Distributing	supplies department of aging	175.90
Tesco	supplies road department	121.47
Tooele County Sheriffs Office	service fees	4.50
W.H. Manufacturing Co., Inc.	model W.H.S. Chip Spreader	55,355.60
Utah Association of Clerk Auditors	1988 dues	50.00

Adjourn - There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3:13 P.M.


 Calvin Black, Chairman


 Merna C. Johnson, Deputy Clerk

SAN JUAN COUNTY COMMISSION MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 1988

The regular meeting of the San Juan County Commission convened at 10:00 A.M. in the San Juan County Commission Chambers at Monticello, Utah.

Commissioners Present: Calvin Black
 Kenneth Bailey

A motion to approve the minutes of August 22, 1988 as corrected was made by Commissioner Bailey and seconded by Commissioner Black. UNANIMOUS.

CURRENT BUSINESS

County Computer Equipment - Several months ago the Commission approved the purchase of some computer equipment for John Fellmeth's office, the road office and the surveyor's office. The equipment has not been purchased mainly because Mr. Fellmeth has not had the time to begin work on installing the equipment and developing the programs to utilize the equipment and the surveyor's office felt they would not be able to use the equipment until the fall. With the upcoming tax initiatives, Mr. Fellmeth asked the Commission if he should hold up on ordering the equipment. The Commission stated that, as long as they had already been included in the budget, they should be ordered.

Hospital Administrator - Hospital Administrator John Fellmeth said that Norm Campbell, the interim hospital administrator, will be at the hospital tomorrow to begin administration of the hospital. Mr. Fellmeth asked the Commissioners what the status of John's position and compensation in connection with the hospital would be. His continuing involvement, if any, with the hospital has not been decided. Mr. Fellmeth stated he would be available or work with Mr. Campbell as long as necessary. The Commission stated that John should cooperate as much as possible with Mr. Campbell and an equitable agreement reached on his compensation at to the next Hospital Board meeting on September 27th.

San Juan County Audit/Waiver - County Clerk Gail Johnson presented a request for a waiver of responsibility for Ted Stagg and Kay Anderson, the independent auditors. It's a request which states that all of the information provided for the audit is in accordance to the required laws. The Commission asked that the document be reviewed by County Attorney Craig Halls before final action is taken.

San Juan County Audit/Billing - Ted Stagg and Kay Anderson had previously met with County Clerk Gail Johnson and Administrative Assistant Rick Bailey to present and discuss the additional fees for the San Juan County audit. Mrs. Johnson reported to the Commission that the original fee of \$6,000 has been paid. An additional request of \$26,000 has been presented for accounting assistance and securities transactions. The Commission requested that an itemized billing be submitted for consideration before they approve the request.

Alkali Crossing/Hatch's Trading Post - A Navajo lady has refused to allow the County to proceed with upgrading the road at the Alkali Crossing by Hatch's Trading Post because she feels it is located on her grazing rights. County Engineer Doug Pehrson feels that it is not on her permit area. Commissioner Maryboy will be contacted and asked to talk with the lady so the work can proceed.

Weed Board Truck - Extension Agent Jim Keyes reported on the items that had to be done to the weed truck by the County shop. These items were supposed to be done by Steve Reagan Company before the truck was delivered. The Commission authorized Mr. Keyes to deduct the amount of work done by the County shop from the billing from the Steve Reagan Company and pay the remainder of the bill. The check is to have a statement to the effect the bill is paid in full.

COMMISSIONER CALVIN BLACK'S REPORT

Nancy Patterson Park/Proposed - Commissioner Black has received a copy of a letter to Congressman Howard Nielson from Joel Janetske, director of archaeology at Brigham Young University, who has been trying to create a national monument out of the 40 acres belonging to Mark Evans known as the Nancy Patterson ruins. Mr. Janetske had hoped that the National Park Service would complete a study of the area by this fall but due to concerns of the San Juan County Commissioners the request has not been implemented. The Commissioners had previously supported the project with the following conditions. 1. That it would never be allowed to be more than 100 acres. 2. That it would never be allowed to stop anything outside of the boundaries, by noise, dust, etc. so they couldn't stop oil drilling, etc. 3. Not more than \$40,000 would be paid for the site. Mr. Janetske stated that protection of the site requires a quick resolution to the current stalemate on the study request. He would like to see the National Park Service carry out the study to determine whether the property is appropriate and acceptable for acquisition by that agency. Those issues that are pertinent to the acquisition such as size, cost, distribution of artifacts, etc. could then be addressed in light of NPS recommendations. Congressman Nielson was asked to resubmit his request without the commissioners provisions to clear the way for the study.

Commissioner Black was authorized to write a letter to Congressman Nielson stating that the County is firmly committed to those provisions being part of any acquisition by the National Park Service.

Scenic Byways - A letter has been received from the State Department of Transportation regarding designation of scenic routes to put on the maps. The Development Board will be asked to respond to this request.

Utah Local Governments Insurance Trust - A Notice of a liability reduction program seminar to be conducted throughout the state was reported by Commissioner Black. In a one-year period the civil rights