



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Meeting Minutes

Date: Thursday, September 07, 2017

Lehi City Office

153 North 100 East

Lehi, UT

Board of Trustees Members in Attendance:

Shane Sorensen, Alpine City
Rob Shelton, American Fork City
Howard Anderson, Town of Cedar Fort
Ben Bailey, Town of Cedar Hills
Ed Dennis, Highland City
Jason Walker, Lehi City
Mark Christensen, City of Saratoga Springs
Benjamin Reeves, Santaquin City, Chairperson
Seth Perrins, Spanish Fork City
Mike Forshee, Utah County Undersheriff, alternate
C. Nathan Ivie, Utah County Commissioner
Jacob McHargue, Town of Vineyard
Wendy Pray, City of Woodland Hills, Vice Chairperson

Absent Board of Trustees Members:

Jeff Weber, Eagle Mountain City
Dale Bigler, Elk Ridge City
Brad Gurney, Town of Fairfield
William McMullin, Town of Genola
Josh Cummings, Town of Goshen
Scott Spencer, Payson City
Terry Ficklin, Salem City
Greg Graves, Utah County Commissioner
James Tracy, Utah County Sheriff

Others in Attendance:

Junior Baker, UVDSSD Legal Counsel
Michael Veenendaal, UVDSSD Executive Director
Suzee Anderson, UVDSSD Administrative Specialist
Seth Atkinson, Nephi City Administrator
Mike Morgan, Nephi City Police Department

1. Call to Order: *Ben Reeves, Chairperson*

2. Consent Calendar: *Ben Reeves, Chair*
 - 2.1 Meeting Minutes for August 10, 2017

Wendy Pray corrected the date and the attendance.

- 2.2 Warrant register for August 1-31

**Motion to approve the Consent Calendar by Nathan Ivie
Second by Ed Dennis
Voting unanimous, consent calendar approved.**

3. Business and Action Items:
 - 3.1 Dispatch services agreement for Juab County
 - 3.2 Dispatch services agreement for Nephi City

Ben Reeves recalled the previous meeting decision to allow either capital buy in provision or a non-member surcharge rate required for services provided to Juab County and Nephi City. During that meeting, the numbers were extremely close between a buy in and a non-member rate. Ben felt that the intent of the board was not to have a surcharge be the same level as the buy in, but somewhere in between. While preparing a spread sheet, Ben realized that the capital buy-in would be closer to 8%. That would make the half-way point surcharge at 4%. Ben also relayed other concerns regarding a capital buy in. If Juab County and Nephi City were to do a capital buy in, it would change the boundaries of the district. Currently the district is a political subdivision of Utah County. However, it could become a political subdivision of multiple counties and therefore would require approval of both sets of county commissioners. There was also concern that if the district became a taxing entity, the population of Nephi and Juab County wouldn't have a voice and could be taxed. Discussion ensued as to the concerns of Juab County and Nephi City.

Ben Reeves agreed to bring before the board the issue of buy in at 5% or surcharge at 2.5% and the issue of the Central Electronics Bank. The CEB would be valued at the purchase price with a straight line depreciation value. The value given to the CEB is \$73,000.00 which would be split evenly between Juab County and Nephi City. The value of the CEB could be used as a lump-sum to buy in, it could be used as a credit towards buy-in over 20 years, or it could be used as a credit to pay the surcharge until the credit runs out. The desire is to have a zero impact this first year because the budget of both entities has been established. Questions were raised as to the correct percentage of the buy-in. Ben Reeves stated that in putting together the spread sheet that he discovered the amount would be 8%. Ben wanted the board to decide whether the non-member fee should be the 2.5% surcharge or the 4% surcharge.

Mark Christensen felt that 4% was a fair number. He also felt comfortable to accept their credit up front for the first few years and allow that to satisfy their differential. That would allow time to figure into their budgeting. Wendy Pray concurred. Rob Shelton asked for clarification. The 8% would be buy in and the 4% would be a non-member surcharge and the credit could be used until it is exhausted. Discussion ensued as to the benefits of membership vs. the benefit of being a contract entity.

Seth Atkinson agreed that using the credit up front would be helpful and would allow time to plan whether they would do the non-member rate or the buy in. He requested that any benefit that would be received from not having to redo the political subdivision be passed on to both entities and be reflected in the non-member rate. He agreed to take whatever rate was decided upon back to the council to decide upon. Mark Christensen stated that if they were to take a capital credit upfront would equal a seven year deferment, as far as buy in. For a non-member, it would defer it for 8.5 years. Discussion ensued as to the assessment of Juab County and Nephi City and the benefit of adding communication between the South County and Juab. Wendy Pray felt that this contract would benefit the district by making the case that the district should not be penalized because it is adding entities and trying to consolidate. Michael Veenendaal interjected that it would allow an advantage to secure a seat on the UCA advisory board. Seth Atkinson spoke of the concern with the district becoming a taxing authority.

Mark Christensen questioned if there was negotiations in the contract to provide for the ownership of the CEB if there were an early departure. Junior Baker agreed that terms should be agreed upon. Discussion ensued as to the life expectancy of the CEB and the current value of the district's CEB. Seth questioned whether a decision was made to create their own PSAP would the capital cost be returned. Ben Reeves stated that any city who wants to leave, leave all assets behind. This also requires a year notice.

Motion to prepare contracts to allow 8 % buy in or 4% non-member surcharge, allowing both cities to decide on the application of the CEB credit and address the capital asset if there is early departure by Seth Perrins.

Second by Mark Christensen

Voting unanimous, motion passed.

4. Other Business:

4.1 Operations Chair Report

Brian Gwilliam had nothing to report. Ben Reeves detailed a meeting with Juab County and Nephi City held recently at the Santaquin City Offices. After the meeting, Michael Veenendaal and Ben Reeves were able to meet with Cameron Diehl, the newly named Executive Director for Utah League of Cities and Towns. Cameron was able to give valuable insight into reaching out to State Legislators, elected officials, and others to find incentives to consolidation.

4.2 Director's Report

Michael Veenendaal reported problems with radio paging. There was a week period where the radios were not working. The problem was tracked to a radio tower. The box in the tower was fried. Another base station was put in its place and the radios are working now. Michael recalled that Don Nay would like the county to get out of the radio business. Michael suggested looking toward maintenance of the radios in the future. He hopes that Utah Communication Authority will work towards a statewide improvement of radio systems. This would allow UCA to maintain the radio system for the district. Rob Shelton requested emails being sent out to the board when these issues happen. Michael had sent information out to the agencies affected. Discussion ensued as to a backup system to the tower. Michael agreed to speak with Darryl at UCA regarding a backup plan and review. Michael discussed the payment to CenturyLink was made and the grant money should be reimbursed from UCA. Information regarding paging times and Operations Board meeting was given and a plea to have police and fire chiefs attend that meeting.

4.3 Open forum and next meeting agenda items

5. Adjournment

5.1 Next meeting – October 12, 2017 Utah Valley Dispatch

Motion to adjourn by Wendy Pray

Second by Jake McHargue

Voting Unanimous, meeting adjourned.