

Minutes of the Work Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Carbon County, State of Utah, held August 5, 2015 at the Courthouse Building, Price, Utah, commencing at 3:00 p.m.

Those present: Jake Mellor, Commission Chair
Jae Potter, Commissioner
Casey Hopes, Commissioner

Also present: Seth Oveson, Clerk/Auditor
Lori Perez, Deputy Clerk
Tom Staniforth
Josh Staniforth
Kenny Kirkwood

Clerk's Certificate of Compliance with Open Meeting Law was filed.

Commissioner Mellor welcomed everyone. The meeting began at 3:06 p.m.

1) Update on projects in area – Tom Staniforth, Renegade Ind.

Tom said a lot is going to be built in Green River over the next couple of years, including a gas refinery, train load out and a power plant. Tom is putting together quotes for a refinery to begin construction in September. Green River doesn't have the infrastructure to support what will happen and most will fall back to Price. He wanted to let the Commission know what is coming. There could be four to five hundred people working on this plant for a couple of years. Planning will begin in September and major construction will begin in the spring. Permits are all in place. Investors will be visiting on August 27, 2015 and meeting with Tom and Utah Power and Light to walk through the site chosen for construction. They are trying to complete the project quickly.

Tom said this information needs to be public so that people know. The workers coming in will need places to stay and eat which is more than what Green River can support. Commissioner Mellor asked if he wanted the Commission to meet with the investors on August 27th.

Commissioner Potter said the Commission can meet with them to explain the resources available in Carbon County and to offer assistance. Commissioner Potter has not seen a press release yet and doesn't know who to talk to. Tom said Uintah Gateway Private Capital is the investment group. Parker Enlow from Salt Lake is the head person. One investor is from Green River and the other investors are with Triad Engineering and LF Consulting. The name of the refinery will be Grey Canyon.

Commissioner Potter does not know how much information they are willing to share but contact can be made. Tom said his company is benefiting and he wants to help the area as well. Commissioner Potter said economic growth brings economic growth.

Tom said this same investment group has a couple of refineries in Roosevelt and Vernal. They are starting to grow in Utah.

Commissioner Potter asked how to get in touch with them. Tom said the first contact would be Don Peters in Green River.

Commissioner Potter said we can contact them and see what opportunities are there and give them a tour of Price. Don would already be familiar with Price. Parker Enlow is the spokesman for the Private Capital group.

2) Discussion concerning motocross track – Tom Staniforth, Renegade Ind.

Tom and his son Josh have been racing on the motocross track on Wednesday nights. The number of riders on Wednesdays is now up to twenty, ranging in age from 10 to 25 years. Tom sponsors some of them who compete in the motocross circuits.

The track needs to be groomed and watered on a regular basis. It is blue slate clay and very hard and slick. It needs to be churned up and wet because right now it is dangerous. Tom is willing to do something to help improve the track. There are riders with potential in the area.

Commissioner Mellor asked Tom if he is proposing to lease and manage the track from the County. An agreement would include all maintenance, liability insurance and hosting events. Tom is interested in running the track. Commissioner Mellor asked if he has the equipment, people and time to do this. Tom knows how to maintain the track. Josh lives a block away from the track and between the two of them, could keep it groomed.

There are event opportunities out there. Kenny Harwood had three scheduled with one being rained out. Tom said he has the connections to get on the event circuit. This last spring the track was rebuilt and was great for a while. Now it is hard again. Dirt Works did a good job but it hasn't been maintained. It is a good track and has a lot of potential. Tom wants to keep the races local to reduce travel.

Commissioner Potter explained that the Fairgrounds has struggled with being shorthanded and there have been nine events held at the Fairgrounds since July first. Currently, the track is scheduled to be watered one day and groomed the next. It takes 5 to 6 hours to groom. Watering takes 5,000 gallons per cycle adding up to about 20,000 gallons. During an event this quantity can triple. Commissioner Potter has talked to Donn, the Fairgrounds supervisor, about what can be done. There is still water available and Donn suggested that they still do a Thursday water and a Friday groom and then again on Monday and Tuesday. This is something Donn felt they could do with more staff now available.

Tom said that when the County is short staffed he is willing to help maintain the track. Since they have decided to practice every Wednesday night they are having more riders come out. When people know that the track has been groomed then even more riders will come out.

Commissioner Potter said that a private partnership agreement would need to address all aspects of the track. The details of this kind of agreement or proposal would have to be worked out. Tom would rather lease the track for a year to see how it would operate.

Commissioner Potter explained that the track began as a club organized track and is unique and has a sprinkling system.

Commissioner Potter suggested talking to Christian and the insurance companies and then set up another meeting. He asked Tom if it would be operated as a hobby or as a fee based operation and what would Kenny need to do to schedule and run his events on the track.

Commissioner Mellor asked Kenny if he had any issues with this proposal. Kenny said he is in agreement with most of it and hasn't got an opinion on the lease option. This is the first time he has heard about it.

Commissioner Mellor asked about watering and who would have that control. Commissioner Potter said it would have to be coordinated with Donn. Deciding who would maintain the sprinkling system would need to be in the agreement.

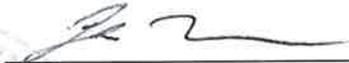
Commissioner Potter said currently there is no charge to use the facility. Water is available as long as the canal is full and then it comes from the fish pond which is shared with the Division of Wildlife Resources.

Kenny explained that there are no other free motocross tracks in the State except for here. Paying to ride on a groomed track is not a big deal. Local riders may not be able to pay daily but the amount charged could be rated depending on the condition of the track. It would be beneficial to the County to hold events and advertise the availability of the groomed track. When the track was rebuilt in the spring there were lots of inquiries from interested people. Riders like to ride a variety of tracks and will come here if the track is groomed. Kenny asked if just the maintenance could be contracted out to

someone who has the equipment, people and time. This may be an option. Kenny's end goal is to have a good, safe track.

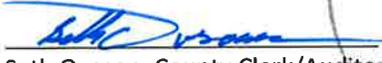
Commissioner Mellor thanked them for coming and sharing their ideas.

The meeting ended at 3:42 p.m.



Jake Mellor, Chairman

ATTEST:



Seth Oveson, County Clerk/Auditor



