

**CACHE COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING
JANUARY 28, 2003**

The Cache County Council convened in a regular session on 28 January 2003 in the Cache County Council Chamber at 120 North 100 West, Logan, Utah.

ATTENDANCE:

Chairman: H. Craig Petersen
Vice Chairman: Cory Yeates
Council Members: Brian Chambers, Paul Cook, Darrel Gibbons, John Hansen, and
Kathy Robison
County Executive: **M. Lynn Lemon - Excused**
County Clerk: Jill N. Zollinger

The following individuals were also in attendance: Justin Allen, Robert Aston, Jenny Bayn, Bobbie Coray, Rob Cruz, Attorney George Daines, Michael Francis, Issa Hamud, Matt Hedin, Cade Huskinson, Christian Jensen, Heather Jensen, Cody Jorgensen, Benjamin L. Knecht, Matt Kuhni, Dave Nielsen, Matthew Nielsen, Taylor Peterson, Evelyn Palmer, Pat Parker, Kelly Pitcher, Jace Sanders, Brian Seyfried, Willis Seyfried, Jackson Smith, Jim Smith, Wayman Stoddart, Zeke Susman, Jordan Tufts, Nathan Wallentine, Ryan Wright. **Media:** Joe Rowley (Herald Journal) Jennie Christensen (KNVU)

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Petersen called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was given by Council member Yeates.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Boy Scout, Christian Jensen, led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

The agenda was approved as written.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Minutes of Council Meeting for January 14, 2002, were reviewed, corrected and approved.

ACTION: Motion by Council member Hansen for approval of the minutes of January 28, 2002, as amended. Yeates seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 7-0.

REPORT OF COUNTY EXECUTIVE: PAT PARKER

Pat Parker: Executive Lemon was in Washington, D.C. along with some representatives from Utah State University and the City of Logan. They were to meet with Senators Hatch and Bennett and Representatives Bishop and Matheson regarding funding for an (ILS) Instrumental Landing System for the Logan-Cache Airport.

Executive Lemon's recommendations and items of concern to the Council:

APPOINTMENTS:

	Darrel L. Gibbons	Water Policy Advisory Board
	Bill Young	Water Policy Advisory Board
(Reappointment)	Taft Barrington	Water Policy Advisory Board
(Reappointment)	Bill Bullen	Water Policy Advisory Board
(Reappointment)	J. Paul Riley	Water Policy Advisory Board
(Reappointment)	Ann Peralta	Water Policy Advisory Board (Chairman)
(Reappointment)	Bill Bullen	Water Policy Advisory Board (Vice Chairman)

ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to approve the appointments recommended by Executive Lemon. Robison seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 7-0.

Council member Yeates suggested that Larry Anhder's expertise in that area ought to also be considered for reappointed to the Water Policy Advisory Board if the opportunity arose.

APPOINTMENT: Scott Wyatt Special Deputy County Attorney

ACTION: Motion by Council member Gibbons to approve the appointment of Scott Wyatt as Special Deputy County Attorney. Yeates seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 7-0.

Warrants: The warrants for the periods of 12-17-2002 to 12-17-2002; 01-03-2003 to 01-09-03 and 01-10-2003 to 01-16-2003 were given to the Clerk for filing.

Other Items:

1. **UAC LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE SCHEDULE.** A major concern this year with the budget challenges facing the State was the State's willingness to honor their commitment made last year to fund (condition of probation) inmates at 70 percent. The State is projecting 65 percent which would cause a hardship on the Counties. The promise made was to reduce the County's percentage of funding for these inmates over the years rather than to increase it. Executive Lemon asked that Council members speak with our Senators and Representatives about this issue.

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2. **Senate Bill 93, Reappointment of County Justice Court Judges.** This bill does not presently affect Cache County. However, support of this bill was recommended. It gives County Commissions and Councils the same authority that City Councils already have.
3. **City of Logan Annexation Certification.** Stan Checketts Annexation of 43.62 acres fronting Hwy. 89-91 at approximately 1850 South 800 West. Information only, based on the Councils discussion at the last meeting and the recommendation of the Agricultural Preservation Committee.
4. **Children Justice Center.** A letter from the Attorney General's Office on the oversight and the operations of the Center was provided for the Councils information and review. Executive Lemon recommended placing the item on the next Council agenda to have the Director of the Children's Justice Center directly under the County Attorney.

Chairman Petersen scheduled the proposal for the Children's Justice Center for the next Council agenda.

5. **TV Translator.** Because there was no resolution regarding the Mt. Pisgah TV Translator site at this time, Executive Lemon recommended extending the deadline for at least one month.

Chairman Petersen added a discussion on the TV Translator under Other Items in this meeting's agenda.

INTRODUCTION OF LOCAL STAFF FOR REPRESENTATIVE ROB BISHOP:

Justin Allen introduced himself as a member of the Staff for newly elected Representative Rob Bishop. For the time being Representative Bishop's office would be at the Federal Building in Ogden; the new office telephone number is (801) 625-0107. There are some plans to have regional offices in the North and South of the First Congressional District in the near future.

Congressman Bishop will be serving on the following committees: 1) Armed Services, 2) Natural Resources and 3) Science Technology.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT REPORT: BOBBIE CORAY

BOBBIE CORAY related that in 1984 there was an Economic Development Office funded by the cities and the county. Businesses were recruited and a strategic plan was developed. One of the things worked at in this plan was the diversification of the work force so that businesses weren't all in one sector.

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In 1996 the County moved Economic Development to the Chamber of Commerce. People then started requesting information from the Chamber of Commerce to help them in their business and this tradition has carried on.

Response packet for the Chamber of Commerce:

Web Page: (www.cachechamber.com.) It has all of the major employers, the technology-base differences of retail businesses. It has demographics and links to all government sites, to the local listing service for the Realtors and to the Herald Journal. It also has a tourist component and a list of all the (business) members of the Chamber of Commerce. The cornerstone of economic development is "quick response." Information was being kept current and easily accessible. Response is quick through email and printing costs were being saved.

Cache Valley Guide: The Cache Valley Guide had been distributed to every hotel and motel in Cache Valley. It was also used as a relocation tool. Businesses used them to attract employees to the area. This guide was going to be replaced this year by a new tool of relocation and business publications. The cost for this publication would be paid through business advertisements.

Logan Map: An updated map for Logan City had been accomplished this year and would be done again next year.

A Booklet of County Mapping was funded by a grant and written with the CMPO. Booklets were made up of all the major cities' potential, industrial sites mapping out land use, water issues, etc. This allowed the passing of specific information maps of various sites and helped the Cache Chamber to come up with very good proposals for its clients.

"Smart Site" The Smart Site was Governor Leavitt's brain child. Brigham City and Cache County merged together to write a proposal for a Smart Site. An investor put up one million dollars for a building at Utah State University to house the site. Thus, the Smart Site began.

270 jobs have resulted from the Smart Site. The Cache Valley Initiative Telecommunications Committee was very involved in making the Smart Site happen. The State pays for telemarketing technology within the "Smart Site." The site incubates and builds new jobs throughout the community.

Down-to-Business Workshops. These workshops were for local businesses; they happen monthly and were free. It was worked on a peer-to-peer basis. This resource was for helping people meet with the right people to further their business endeavors.

Cache Valley Initiative is part of Economic Development. The Chamber of Commerce memberships have grown. The Cache Chamber has been working on the infrastructure of economic development within the business community by driving the issues. The bringing

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together of the businesses in the county has been proactive. This year they will help fund the Airport Manager position. They were also working with the Access Management plan and UDOT. In the last 2½ years, 570 jobs have been directly attributable to what the Chamber of Commerce had done.

E-Commerce Site. This site would host individual web sites with a charge of \$25.00 a year so that individual businesses could try out their own website and see if it would work before actually putting too much money out.

Tourism Site. Hundreds of people were calling into the tourism site all the time. Lots of information was stored and updated there of the fun things to do in Cache County.

LANDFILL SURVEY: ISSA HAMUD

Issa Hamud, the City of Logan's Environmental Manager, addressed the Council. The Environment Office was responsible for the disposing of the garbage collectively for Logan City and Cache County. Because the landfill site could only be used as a landfill for 20 more years, it was necessary to decide where to go for a landfill site when that twenty years would be up and whether the land should be obtained in the County or outside of the County.

In the spring of 2002, several possible future landfill sites were identified in Cache County that meet basic technical and environmental criteria for landfills. All three of these sites are in the Clarkston, Newton, and Cache Junction area. Options for shipping waste to three possible landfills in the Box Elder and Carbon counties will also be evaluated. It was decided to conduct a community survey to find out the community's point of view regarding the landfill options.

Jackson Smith, a Professor at Utah State University, presented a survey to members of the Council. The survey was to check the pulse of the community and to obtain a scientific estimate, of what the priorities of the people were and how they felt about the proposed options and how well they would adopt certain alternatives such as cost and local control.

A technical evaluation of both the in and out-of-county options will be available for public review in the spring of 2003.

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING UPDATE:

The Council toured the Administration building prior to Council meeting. The building was progressing on schedule.

CACHE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION:

Pat Parker explained that the Foundation was set up to where the Council could approve to put a certain project in that Foundation. When that was accomplished, people from the public could

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then contribute money toward that project. The money would be held in the Community Foundation Fund until such time as it would need to be used for that specific project.

The proposal at hand was for the Council to declare two projects for the Cache County Community Foundation: 1) A project for a Chapel in the new Public Safety Jail facility and 2) a project for food equipment in the new Public Safety Jail facility.

ACTION: Motion by Council member Gibbons to declare both projects under the Cache County Community Foundation. Cook seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 7-0.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENT: N. GEORGE DAINES, COUNTY ATTORNEY

Attorney Daines explained that there is a statute requirement that anyone who is employed by the county who has an interest in a business that does business with the County or has an interest in an ownership to such a business should make a disclosure statement of that business interest to the County Council.

Attorney Daines made a personal disclosure of what business interests he has and submitted it to the Council. He said that in the law there could be a potential conflict of interest. He encouraged anyone else in the same situation to do the same. He explained that the procedure for disclosure was to make the disclosure by affidavit and provide that disclosure to the County Executive, who in turn would provide it to the County Council.

(See Attachment No. 1)

Chairman Petersen commented that the law doesn't prevent an individual from having a conflict of interest; it just requires that there is a disclosure of that conflict.

SPECIAL COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING SCHEDULED:

A special Council meeting to approve Sales Tax Revenue Bonds is needed. The date to be set is **February 27, 2003 at 5:00 p.m.**

ACTION: Motion by Council member Yeates to schedule the special meeting as proposed. Hansen seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous, 7-0.

TV TRANSLATOR DISCUSSION:

Since February 1, 2002, was the deadline unanimously set by the Council for negotiations to be completed regarding the Mt. Pisgah TV Translator site, Council member Gibbons requested information as to why Executive Lemon recommended an extension. Since Executive Lemon

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was absent and unable to comment on the item, the Council decided to place the issue on the next Council agenda for discussion.

COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

Council member Gibbons had been meeting informally with some of the members of the medical community with regard to the EMS Coordinator. One of the issues that had surfaced was the Ambulance issue. There had been some indications that both issues would need to be resolved at the same time.

Council member Yeates reported that Council member Gibbons will be the Chairman of the BRAG board for the coming year and also their UAC representative.

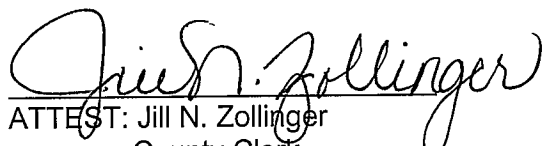
Chairman Petersen attended a meeting today that Logan City sponsored on a proposed Conference/ Hotel Center. The recommendation of the consultant was that because of economic conditions, this was not the time to initiate that building. It was recommended to put this project on hold for probably 18 months and then possibly proceed with a recommendation after that.

Council member Cook had met with Data Processing. One of the things he asked of the Data Processing Department was an inventory list of resources and equipment currently used in the County.

Council members' Petersen, Robison and Cook had been meeting with the Building Inspector, the Surveyor, the Planning and Zoning Administrator and the Countywide Planner concerning consolidation of those offices. Notes had been taken and would be presented for discussion in a future Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Council meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.


ATTEST: Jill N. Zollinger
County Clerk


APPROVAL: H. Craig Petersen
Council Chairman

