



SEVEN COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COALITION  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

June 1, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Electronic Meeting

(435) 219-1362

**Board Members Present:** Casey Hopes (Carbon County), Jack Lytle (Daggett County), Greg Miles (Duchesne County), Lynn Sitterud (Emery County), Willie Grayeyes (San Juan County), and Brad Horrocks (Uintah County)

**Also, in attendance:** Mike McKee, Eric Johnson, Brian Barton, Mike Hawley, Doug Rasmussen, Kristi Sharp, Heather Hoyt, Melissa Cano, Kevin Keller, Mark Hemphill, Pam Juliano.

**Attended telephonically:** All

**Absent:** Garth (Tooter) Ogden, Sevier County

**Others Present:** Commissioner Irene Hansen, Commissioner Bart Haslem, Kelly Carter, Devin Pehrson, Jeremy Patterson, Mitch Holditch, Richard Bartel, Bob Bach, Mark Michell, Greg Todd, Tim Fisher, Troy Ostler, Reed Paige (Please notify staff at 435-219-1362 of any spelling corrections.)

**NOTE: Due to the Coronavirus, dial-in participation was offered. Dial-in numbers were as follows:**

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1. Welcome and introduction Brad Horrocks
2. **Discussion and consideration Amendment No. 2 to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Rail Developer extending time and adding a party, and related matters.** Mike McKee

Executive Director McKee began by introducing Mitch Holdich from the General Counsel Office of the Ute Indian Tribe, and Mark Hemphill and Bob Bach from Rio Grande Pacific and Mark Michel, Tim Fisher and Pam Juliano from Drexel Hamilton. Time was next turned over to Eric Johnson, SCIC attorney, who explained that the original Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was executed in May of 2019. This MOU had a provision that the agreement could be

terminated as of June 1, 2020. A 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment was signed in October of 2019 clarifying a right-of-way acquisition. This 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment extends the termination date of March 31, 2021. In addition, the Ute Indian Tribe is requesting to join the MOU as a party and this MOU outlines their roll.

Director McKee noted that the MOU had been previously signed by Luke Duncan, the Chairman of the Ute Tribal Business Committee, and by Rick Bartel of Rio Grande Pacific, and Mark Michel of Drexel Hamilton.

**Resolution No. 2020-06A approving Amendment No. 2 to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Rail Developer extending time and adding a party, and related matters,** was made by Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner Miles.

Prior to the vote, Commissioner Grayeyes requested clarification asking if this was a light rail or a real heavy rail? Eric Johnson, attorney, responded informing him that this was a heavy freight rail. Commissioner Grayeyes further asked if its purpose was to transport coal, oil or gas to other parts of the U S. or overseas? Eric Johnson responded that it was for that purpose.

Roll call vote, to make sure every electronic vote was counted, was as follows:

SEVEN COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COALITION VOTING:

Carbon	Board Member	Yea X	No ___
Daggett	Board Member	Yes X	No ___
Duchesne	Board Member	Yea X	No ___
Emery	Board Member	Yea X	No ___
San Juan	Board Member	Yea ___	No X
Sevier	Board Member	Yea X	No ___
Uintah	Board Member	Yea X	No ___

Approved 6-1-0 absent

3. **A motion to adjourn** was made by Commissioner Hopes.

A motion to approve the June 1, 2020 Special Meeting minutes was made by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Commissioner \_\_\_\_\_.

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Daggett	Board Member	Yes ___ No ___
Duchesne	Board Member	Yea ___ No ___
Emery	Board Member	Yea ___ No ___
San Juan	Board Member	Yea ___ No ___
Sevier	Board Member	Yea ___ No ___
Uintah	Board Member	Yea ___ No ___

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Co-Chair: Brad Horrocks

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Co-Chair: Lynn Sitterud

**(COALITION SEAL)**

ATTEST:

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Eric T. Johnson (Legal Counsel)