

**Six County Infrastructure Coalition
January 8, 2016
Duchesne, Utah
Centennial Center 400 S. Center**

1. Welcome

Excuse Seth Oveson who was snowed in.

2. Minutes

Motion to approve minutes by Jae Potter, and Seconded by Ron Winterton. Unanimous

3. Public Comment

None

4. Finance Director Report and approval of Expenses - Eric Johnson

3 invoices were received
1 for the annual insurance expense for \$12,066
Jones and Demille for \$62,222.50
Eric Johnson for \$8,055.34

Motion to approve by Ron Winterton, and seconded by Jae Potter. Unanimous

5. Recommended Modifications to Rules and Regulations - Eric Johnson

The Coalition received comments from the Community Impact Board staff for modifications to the procurement policies of the Coalition. When the Rules and Regulations were put together, we didn't understand all the positions the Coalition would have so we gave the Executive Director a lot of jobs. Now the CIB staff recommends that the Finance Director function separately under the Executive Director rather than combine the duties of the Executive Director and the Financial Director in one person. They have requested that the Coalition also expressly require approval of both the Finance Director and Board when changing line items in the Budget. So far, all expenses have always been approved by the Board, and these changes will formalize what the Coalition has already been doing. The Coalition also needs an audit, which was approved at the last meeting.

Motion to approve by Keith Brady, and seconded by Jae Potter. Unanimous.

6. Executive Director Report Ralph Okerlund

The Coalition is moving forward with the electrical transmission project and looking into Federal funding for larger Projects. The Coalition was approached by the Energy office to be included in a study for training on public private partnerships. Funding would come from the Federal Government. It would give training and good contacts for future

projects. Utah does not have set laws on public private partnerships. The State will need to do studies to pass a good law here in Utah. The rules are not clear at the moment. A piece of Legislation has been drafted to define laws between public private partnerships, it could go forward this year but it was planned to go forward next year. While the rules are not defined The Attorney General's office has defined that an "incubator" or an entity that rents out office space for lower than what it costs in order to grow small businesses is not a public service. Our own projects fall in what other states have rules within the lines of public services or facilities but the rules in Utah are not well defined so that it would be up to the individual Judge.

7. Monthly Infrastructure Report (Jones and Demille) – Brian Barton

Jones and Demille have been busy gathering data on what entities outside of the State are most important. Public private partnerships are very critical in choosing what corridor to use. They are preparing ways for the Coalition to analyze different corridors they also are thinking of ways they can provide power to the people as soon as possible. Everything the Coalition can do with technology the more they can keep in contact with the community and the employees.

8. Electrical Transmission Line Update (Jones and Demille) – Brian Barton

The thirty percent design meeting was held and things are moving forward. Jones and Demille is working to minimize the permitting process. They need lead time on some of the steel structures. There is a 2-3 month lead time. That needs to be worked on so that they can get power as soon as possible. The Coalition will need to get approval to do clearing before April first due to bird migration, but they are well on their way to have the project under construction by late summer or early fall. A concern is proper use of Mineral Lease funds. Eric feels that they are within the proper use.

9. Legal Report - Eric Johnson

Eric had a conversation with Mr. Tom Roberts about the funds that were allocated to the Coalition. Mr. Roberts asked questions about what constitutes administrative expenses. Mr. Johnson told him that he believed the Coalition Boardmembers understood that term broadly. Mr. Roberts recommended placing an agenda item on the CIB agenda for direction from the CIB on how funds for administrative expenses can be disbursed by the CIB to the Coalition. Mr. Johnson indicated that the CIB staff had not approved a legal invoice. The legal invoice had minimal description, because most of the detail is attorney client privileged.

10. Report on Extending Highway 88 to I-70 (Parsons Brinkerhoff) – Diego Carroll

Project to study the economic impact of extending a road from the Uintah Basin to I-70 was sponsored by the transport districts of the Counties involved. The purpose of the study is to see the impact on tourism and the impact on industry. The focus of the study was on the roadway they were considering 40 foot roads with 12 foot lanes and 8 foot shoulders. The cost of extending the highway is estimated at approximately \$158 million. The economic increase is estimated at approximately \$281 million.

11. Resolution to Request Legislative Funding for EIS to extend Hwy 88 - Mike Mckee

The Coalition needs to ask the Legislature if they will provide funding for the EIS to extend Highway 88 to I-70. The EIS will cost about \$5 million dollars. Is it possible for the funds to go to the Coalition rather than to UDOT. Senator Van Tassell spoke and indicated there is a concern that not all of the partners are on board. 2016 will be a tough year to get funding, so going forward and getting funding may have to wait until next year. The possibility of funding the EIS in phases was discussed and it was indicated that this might work.

Motion to request Legislative funding for EIS by Mike Mckee, and Second by Keith Brady

Carbon yes	Emery yes
Dagget yes	San Juan yes
Duchesne yes	Uintah yes

Unanimous

12. Resolution to adopt State Mileage reimbursement for travel

Motion by Keith Brady, and second by Ron Winterton

Carbon yes	Emery yes
Dagget yes	San Juan yes
Duchesne yes	Uintah yes

Unanimous

13. No closed or executive session

14. Motion to adjourn

Jae Potter moved adjourned, approved by acclamation

Motion to approve minutes by _____, seconded by _____
SIX COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COALITION VOTING:

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

Co-Chair Mike McKee

Co-Chair Bruce Adams

ATTEST:

Eric Johnson

COALITION SEAL