

SIX COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE COALITION

Minutes

THURSDAY September 1, 2016 at 1:00 P.M
313 E 200 S in the Split Mountain Room, **VERNAL**, Utah

1. Welcome (mike Mckee)
Bruce Adams couldn't make it to the meeting.
2. Minutes (Mike McKee)
Motion to approve by Jae Potter and seconded by Jack Lytle. Voting was Unanimous
3. Public Comment (Mike McKee)
No comment.
4. Finance Director Report (Eric Johnson)
No new Financials to approve
5. Executive Director Report (Ralph Okerlund)
 - a. Oil pipeline policy discussion CIB matching grant.
The CIB wants a fifty percent match. Most applicants have done that. The CIB wants entities to show that they are dedicated to the cause. But exceptions have been made in the past. The Coalition needs to petition the CIB to make an exception, because unlike cities and counties the Coalition has no taxes or revenues to make a match.
 - b. The Coalition already has money into the study, and it is time sensitive. We want the Coalition to be proactive rather than reactive about meeting people's needs. Members of the Board met with the 670 group to see if this project could benefit both groups.
 - c. PPP training Oct. 6 & 7
We are having a work shop on Public Private Partnerships. The Coalition has been working with a national organization that has a grant and so they want to look into how public private partnerships can work. The exact location of the meeting is not sure yet. The Coalition meeting will be right after it.
 - d. The November meeting in Montross Colorado,
Counties from Colorado and Wyoming are invited to attend. There is a conflict for the commissioners and the meeting may be moved to the 10th of November.
6. Monthly infrastructure report (Jones and Demille)
There are 3 or 4 counties in Colorado that Jones and Demille would like to meet with before the November meeting. They have been busy packaging and Summarizing information for the Bookcliffs, they are within days of issuing an RFQ, they will send the RFQ electronically.
7. Application to join the Coalition from Sevier County (Sevier County)

Sevier feels like it has similar interests with the Coalition. (Commissioner Topham was attending by phone)

The Process to admit Sevier County would be to amend the interlocal agreement. And take it to all of the commissions to approve. If the Majority vote yes than Sevier County is in.

Motion to move forward Potter seconded by Winter ton

Unanimous.

8. Broadband update (Jeff Egly)

UEN has met with providers. Daggett county was awarded Funding, and San Juan needs to Bid again. San Juan County has some risk but they hope to move forward this Fall or winter.

UEN is looking into whether or not this will be public or Private. They are looking at 3 options

- a. Service Providers
- b. Lease fibers
- c. Build ourselves.

UEN is meeting with the Navajo nation to discuss broadband at the end of the month. And 95% of this can be funded with Federal funding.

9. Swinging Bridge update (Jeff Comstock/Moffat County)

The bridges crosses the Green River; it is a short cut to get across. The Bridge spans 118 feet. At first the bridge was just 6 ropes, and in 1940 it became impassable, in 1954 with the BLM and Fish and Game departments of Utah and Colorado started construction. The bridge has always been a partnership between the States.

In 1984 the towers were replaced with metal structures. But several years ago there were structural deficiencies and a tractor fell through.

An idea in fixing the bridge is to repair it to make it have a fourteen-ton capacity, this would make it safe for firetrucks to go over it.

US Fish and Wildlife owns the bridge they have the right of way. And have had it as long as the bridge was used.

It will take 1.5 million to 2 million to rebuild this bridge. The bridge is in Colorado but the value it has for Daggett County is huge.

10. Public Hearing on CIB application for the swinging bridge.

Comments on supporting \$100,000 funding

Wayne Sheppard: Has limited his travels because the bridge is broken.

Scott Chew: His family Ranch is on and off the monument and he has seen people use the bridge to get there.

Senator Van Tassell: We need to repair the Bridge, it is something that needs to be fixed

Ray Gilroy: The bridge is part of our history, we need to repair it for the reasons cited and because of history.

All comments in Favor.

11. Resolution approving application for Swinging Bridge (Eric Johnson)

Commissioner Lytle made motion to approve Winterton Seconded Unanimous

12. Electrical Energy Resource Presentation (Greg Gilroy)

Twin Buttes wants to be a remedy to the Energy problem, they have information on the plant in South East Idaho.

Nuclear plants after run into the problem of not having enough land or water and Public support. But up in Idaho they now have the support of the public.

Greg is local to this area and he would love for them to have nuclear power.

13. Closed (executive) session (Eric Johnson)

Passed

14. Motion to Adjourn

Potter unanimous.