

UINTAH BASIN REVITALIZATION FUND BOARD MEETING

Monday, May 20, 2024 - 4:00 PM

Uintah Basin Association of Governments, 330 E 100 S, Roosevelt, UT 84066. Virtual Option - <https://utah-gov.zoom.us/j/86587519475>, Meeting ID: 865 8751 9475, +1 253 215 8782 US (Tacoma).

APPROVED MEETING MINUTES

Board Members Present

Evan Curtis, Chairman
Councilman Emmett Duncan - Ute Tribe Business Committee
Commissioner Greg Miles – Duchesne County
Commissioner John Laursen - Uintah County

Board Members Absent

Councilman Mike Natchess - Ute Tribe Business Committee

Staff and Guests Present

Laurie Brummond, UBAOG Director / Duchesne County Grant Administrator
Kevin Yack, UBAOG Assistant Director
Chris Pieper, Utah Attorney General's Office
Trevin Morgan, DWS Contracting
Carver Black, DWS Finance Manager
Gennie Bird, Uintah County Grant Manager
Michael Mowes, HCD Program Specialist
Paul Moberly, HCD Program Manager
Jennifer Dominici, HCD Assistant Director

1. Welcome & Introductions

Chairman Evan Curtis officially called the Uintah Basin Revitalization Fund (UBRF) Board meeting to order at 4:02 PM, on Monday, May 20, 2024, with the location at the Uintah Basin Association of Governments, 330 E 100 S, Roosevelt, UT 84066, and a virtual option via Zoom. Chairman Curtis expressed appreciation to Laurie Brummond and the AOG for hosting. Ms. Brummond noted that she would be willing to host the October meeting at the AOG building. Chairman Curtis invited all in attendance and on Zoom to introduce themselves, beginning with the board members. Ms. Brummond expressed her deep appreciation and recognition for Ed Kurip, grant manager from the Ute Tribe who had recently retired.

2. Approval of Minutes [3:40]

The draft minutes from the February 8, 2024 meeting were presented. The chair called the question:

Commissioner Laursen made, and Councilman Duncan seconded, a motion to approve the minutes from the UBRF Board meeting held on Thursday, February 8, 2024. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Commissioner Miles, Commissioner Laursen, Councilman Duncan, and Chairman Curtis, with Councilman Natchess absent.

3. Fund Report [4:20]

Chairman Curtis invited Mr. Moberly to present the fund balances. Mr. Moberly stated that the current balances were as follows including interest with balances as of 5/16/2024.

Organization	Available for Projects
Duchesne County	\$4,113,089
Uintah County	\$2,899,364
Ute Indian Tribe	\$182,274

Mr. Moberly apologized to Carver Black for presenting the fund balances. Councilman Duncan asked if the Ute Tribe had submitted any project applications for those funds. Mr. Moberly reply they had not. Councilman Duncan asked if these balances were those remaining from the previous year. Mr. Moberly clarified that the new balances would come in August / September. Councilman Duncan highlighted that each entity has a different fiscal year. He asked about the longevity of the current funds; Mr. Moberly clarified that unallocated funds do not expire. Councilman Duncan reviewed the projects which were approved at the last board meeting, but not yet approved by the Ute Business Council, and that he would provide these projects, totally about \$719k. Ms. Brummond reminded that expiration dates were flexible and could be requested for longer periods to address construction delays. Councilman Duncan asked questions about the closed contract (18-1938) and expiring grant (18-1326) later in the agenda. Mr. Moberly confirmed that the first one was requested to be closed and the second would be expired soon, along with their balances.

4. Board Business [12:10]

4.a Closed contract - 18-1938

Chairman Curtis asked Mr. Moberly to present this item. The item was presented to inform the board when contracts are closed with remaining balances. The contract 18-1938 was with the Ute Tribe for miscellaneous projects: Buffalo Corral, Scoreboards, Wrestling Club Building. The remaining \$43,209.46 will be reverted to Ute Tribe chapter unallocated balance.

4.b Cancel grant - 24-DWS-0422 [13:20]

Chairman Curtis asked Mr. Moberly to present this agenda item. Mr. Moberly asked that the board review and cancel grant 24-DWS-0422, made to Duchesne County for the South Building Reconstruction. This project was previously approved at 10/23/2023 meeting, but no contract was made and the county has requested that the project be cancelled. Commissioner Miles stated that the county is going to use other funding to complete this project and expressed appreciation for the UBRF fund's flexibility. The chair called the question.

Commissioner Miles made, and Commissioner Laursen seconded, a motion to cancel Duchesne County's request for \$500,000 for the South Building reconstruction, previously approved at the 10/23/2023 meeting. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Commissioner Miles, Commissioner Laursen, Councilman Duncan, and Chairman Curtis, with Councilman Natchess absent.

5. Project Applications [15:25]

5.a Expiring Grants

Chairman Curtis invited Mr. Moberly to review the agenda item. Mr. Moberly reviewed that contract 18-1326 with the Ute Tribe will expire on 6/30/2024. The project is for rehabilitation of homes for senior tribal members and road base and gravel for senior tribal member driveways. The remaining balance is \$2,304.83. Chairman Curtis asked Councilman

Duncan what the Ute Tribe would want to do with this contract. Councilman Duncan said that he they would likely let the contract lapse and revert the funds to the Ute Tribe unallocated balance. Chairman Curtis also asked Mr. Moberly about the timing required to renew the contract. Mr. Moberly asked Councilman Duncan to let him know if they were going to renew it before the expiration and Mr. Moberly would put the renewal on the agenda.

5.b Duchesne County - Centennial Event Center Payments - \$302,815 [17:12]

Chairman Curtis invited Commissioner Miles to present the project for Duchesne County. The project consists of two payments to be made on the Centennial Event Center Complex, #10, to be paid on 10-1-2025 for \$151,875; and #11, to be paid on 10-1-2026 for \$150,940. The Chair called the question.

Commissioner Laursen made, and Councilman Duncan seconded, a motion to approve Duchesne County's request for \$302,815 for the two Centennial Event Center Payments. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Commissioner Miles, Commissioner Laursen, Councilman Duncan, and Chairman Curtis, with Councilman Natchess absent.

5.c Uintah County - Infrastructure Development - Phase I - \$997,869 [18:15]

Chairman Curtis invited Commissioner Laursen to present the project for Uintah County. Commissioner Laursen presented the project, which is to partner with the Uintah Basin Association of Governments to install water and sewer lines and associated engineering to develop 27 lots for self-help homes located at 1665 W 1300 S, Vernal, UT. Ms. Brummond presented that this will be phase I of II, and discussed the water constraints which inhibit development, and other challenges in developing affordable housing the in the Uintah Basin. They will be working with USDA-Rural Development to develop self-help homes on these lots. Chairman Curtis asked about the timeframe and how the Uintah Basin Association of Government was involved. Ms. Brummond answered that the AOG bought the land through their 501c3 and they are working to possibly add two units per lot. Councilman Duncan presented his involvement and experience in developing low-income and affordable housing through the many roles he's had. There was discussion on the challenges and costs to develop affordable housing. The Chair called the question.

Councilman Duncan made, and Commissioner Miles seconded, a motion to approve Uintah County's request for \$997,869 for phase I of infrastructure development for the project as outlined. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Commissioner Miles, Commissioner Laursen, Councilman Duncan, and Chairman Curtis, with Councilman Natchess absent.

6. Board Member Issues [30:15]

6.a Schedule of Meetings

Chairman Curtis asked the board to review the schedule of meetings. The dates for the upcoming meetings were as follows:

Thursday, July 11, 2024 @ 3:30pm (possible in person)

Thursday, October 24, 2024 @ 1:00 (in person, Duchesne City)

Commissioner Miles is not available for the July 11th. July 9th was presented; Councilman Duncan and Councilman Natchess are likely not available. July 18th was presented; Councilman Duncan is not available. Chairman Curtis asked Mr. Moberly to work to schedule the next meeting. Ms. Brummond mentioned that the October 24th meeting is in

place next to the UBAOG board meeting and offered to host at the AOG building if the Ute board members couldn't make it out to Duchesne City.
Chairman Curtis entertained a motion to adjourn.

Commissioner Miles made and Commissioner Laursen seconded a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was carried by unanimous vote of those present.

The meeting adjourned at 4:36 pm.

Submitted by Paul Moberly