

## **Cassia County Gateway Transmission Line Task Force**

Special Meeting Minutes  
June 29, 2009

### **Call to Order:**

The special meeting of the Cassia County Gateway Transmission Line Task Force was called to order by Brent Stoker at 1:04 P.M., Monday, June 29, 2009.

### **Present:**

(See Attached List)

#### **A. Introduction**

(1:04 P.M.) Brent Stoker welcomed those in attendance to this meeting and gave a brief overview of the procedures and topics for this special meeting. The meeting was recorded in digital format and will be made available on the Cassia County website [www.cassiacounty.org](http://www.cassiacounty.org). Time stamps are included in these abbreviated minutes for reference purposes.

#### **B. County Update**

(1:05 P.M.) Commissioner Clay Handy briefed the group on the county involvement with the BLM in these processes and possible outcomes, indicating that the Cassia County Commissioners would like a multi-county meeting, to propose a transmission corridor through the counties using as much public land as possible. (1:12 P.M.) (Unidentified Speaker) a question was asked regarding the Cedar Hill substation line intersection. (1:13 P.M.) Doug Pickett asked a question regarding indication of Box Elder County's (Utah) willingness to cooperate. (1:14 P.M.) Von Gibby commented on the North Corridor Alternate route. (1:17 P.M.) Gary Jones asked a question regarding the California Trail on the proposed state line route. (1: 17 P.M.) Kent Searle commented on lines with regards to trails.

#### **C. General Discussion**

(1:22 P.M.) Brent Stoker noted a few items regarding the progress of the task force, including possible community involvement in securing the services of a qualified engineer. (1:22:50 P.M.) Vicki Meadows offered comment regarding the topic, and also requested assistance from this Task Force to help with the organization of the Power County Task Force. (1:28 P.M.) Doug Balfour noted a request for a conference call with David Olive (engineer) to outline project requests, to assist him with providing a proposal. (1:29 P.M.) Stoker asked a question regarding payment sources for engineering services. Discussion then occurred regarding how Power and Cassia counties are looking at consulting services. (1:30 P.M.) Stoker requested that the counties please respond back to this task force with instructions of how to proceed with securing professional services. (1:31 P.M.) Stoker noted that it is vitally important that the task force members ask as many questions as possible for information, during the public meetings, to assist in the

building of a record of these proceedings. He then gave an overview of the agenda for the upcoming 2:00 P.M. meeting. (1:34 P.M.) Ron Funk, Power County Commissioner provided comment and discussion occurred regarding fair compensation of private landowners. (1:39 P.M.) Mike Beck asked a question regarding an individual land owner in the Rockland area of Power County. (1:41 P.M.) Doug Balfour addressed the group regarding eminent domain and a county's ability to issue a special use permit.

**Adjournment:** (1:42 P.M.) Stoker noted that pictures of a power line being built in Utah would be available at an upcoming meeting. Meeting adjourned at 1:42:51 P.M.

**Minutes submitted by:** Susan M. Keck, Deputy Clerk, Cassia County

**Approved by:** Gateway Transmission Line Task Force, 07/06/2009