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To: "mark allen" <markstewartallen@gmail.com>, "Bill Lee" <williaml@utahcoun...>
CC: "Shawn Seager" <sseager@mountainland.org>
Date: 7/1/2015 10:15 AM
Subject: Re: Task Force- Protect and Preserve American Fork Canyon 6000 members strong suggests..

Dear Mark

Thank you for your time and comments.

Andrew
Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

-----Original Message-----

From: mark allen <markstewartallen@gmail.com>
Date: Wed, 1 Jul 2015 09:36:05
To: Andrew Jackson<ajackson@mountainland.org>; Bill Lee<williaml@utahcounty.gov>; Brad Frost<Bradfrostaf@gmail.com>
Cc: Shawn Seager<sseager@mountainland.org>
Subject: Re: Task Force- Protect and Preserve American Fork Canyon 6000 members strong suggests..

Andrew,

Andrew K Jackson, AICP CTP
Executive Director
Mountainland Association of Governments.

Just a side note. The other night I spent \$44 to register the names AFCVision and American Fork Canyon Vision on the Utah State business website.

I don't authorize MAG to use my Utah registered business names at this point in time. Please give consideration to this.

Any use of these business names to solicit members for a steering committee I do not approve of.

I would ask that you remove all reference to AFCVision from the Mountain Accord website.

Thank you.

Mark

On Tue, Jun 30, 2015 at 8:01 PM, <ajackson@mountainland.org> wrote:

> Hi Mark

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> I do appreciate your suggestions. Please realize, like any business or
> agency, we respond to our board of directors which is all of the mayors and
> three county commissioners/council members from Summit, Utah and Wasatch
> Counties. They set our budget and direct staff participation through our
> annual work program.

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> With all due respect, it is our board who directs staff participation
> (including Shawn Seager). While we try our best to accommodate public
> comments and suggestions, ultimately it is our board of directors who
> decides what we do. I am sure you are aware we live in a republic and we
> need to follow those who are elected to represent the people.

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> Thank you for your time and suggestions.

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> Andrew K Jackson, AICP CTP
> Executive Director
> Mountainland Association of Governments.
> Sent from my Verizon Wireless BlackBerry

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> From: Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>
> Date: Tue, 30 Jun 2015 18:32:48
> To: mark allen<markstewartallen@gmail.com>; Shawn Seager<
> sseager@mountainland.org>; cc: To: Commissioner Larry Ellertson<
> larrye@utahcounty.gov>; Greg Graves<gregg@utahcounty.gov>; Bill Lee<
> williaml@utahcounty.gov>; Gary Gygi<ggygi@cedarhills.org>; Don Watkins<

> dwatkins@alpinecity.org>; J. H. Hadfield<mayor@afcity.net>; Jeff Acerson<
> acerson@rocketmail.com>; Mike Daniels<mayor@pgcity.org>; Steve Farrell<
> sfarrell@co.wasatch.ut.us>; Mike Kennedy<mikekennedy@le.utah.gov>; Mike
> Davis<mdavis@wasatch.utah.gov>; Garrett, Wade<Wade.Garrett@mail.house.gov>;
> Brad Frost<Bradfrostaf@gmail.com>; ANDREW JACKSON<
> AJACKSON@mountainland.org>; Willie Holdman<willie.holdman@gmail.com>;
> Marlin Sharp<jeeprassic@gmail.com>
> Subject: Re: Task Force- Protect and Preserve American Fork Canyon 6000
> members strong suggests..
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> Mark, How can you ask me for a clean break and invite me to the next
> event (tomorrow) in the same email?
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> That does not compute in my tired brain.
>
> I understand the Utah County Mayors and Commissioners would pick the
> names from the ones submitted to my mail address as I work for all of
> them. They are my board of directors that I meet with twice a month.
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> Shawn
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> On Tue, Jun 30, 2015 at 6:25 PM, Mark Allen <markstewartallen@gmail.com>
> wrote:
>> Shawn - Bill Lee was going to ask for your participating tomorrow
> evening. Hope you will join us. Collecting names from Mountain accord
> website is overreach for MA. I suggest a clean break. Let the mayors pick.
>> Sent via BlackBerry from T-Mobile
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>> From: Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org>
>> Date: Tue, 30 Jun 2015 18:18:32
>> To: mark allen<markstewartallen@gmail.com>
>> Cc: To: Commissioner Larry Ellertson<larrye@utahcounty.gov>; Greg
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> Hadfield<mayor@afcity.net>; Jeff Acerson<acerson@rocketmail.com>; Mike
> Daniels<mayor@pgcity.org>; Steve Farrell<sfarrell@co.wasatch.ut.us>; Mike
> Kennedy<mikekennedy@le.utah.gov>; Mike Davis<mdavis@wasatch.utah.gov>;
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> Bradfrostaf@gmail.com>; ANDREW JACKSON<AJACKSON@mountainland.org>; Willie
> Holdman<willie.holdman@gmail.com>; Marlin Sharp<jeeprassic@gmail.com>
>> Subject: Re: Task Force- Protect and Preserve American Fork Canyon 6000
>> members strong suggests..
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>> Hi Mark and others,
>>
>> Mountain Accord did coordinate with Commissioner Graves on the press
>> release. I understood the commissioner was happy with its content so I
>> allowed it to use my email to collect the names of interested parties.
>>
>> I now understand that my name may have AFCVision baggage attached to
>> and would be happy to step back at anytime.
>>
>> Utah County is in total control of the Task Force. I can't help but
>> think this is a positive step in the direction that you wanted.
>>
>> Good night everyone, Time to walk the dogs to the river.
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>> Sincerely, Shawn
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>> On Tue, Jun 30, 2015 at 5:16 PM, mark allen <markstewartallen@gmail.com>
> wrote:
>>> Shawn,
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>>> Commissioner Lee is supportive of a Utah County task force with no ties
> to
>>> Mountain Accord, that was voiced multiple times yesterday. Mayor Gygi
> tried
>>> multiple times to get us to join Mountain Accord process, In our view,
> that
>>> would be highly problematic. Our group suggests a total clean break.

> That
> >> is where I thought we left it. Mayor Hadfield and Mayor Watkins I
> believe
> >> should suggest how they see it.
> >> Communications and press releases from MA about our backyard, best to
> let
> >> alone. IF and when our elected officials want to issue a press release..
> >> perhaps more appropriate in my humble opinion.
> >>
> >> I will let our county commissioners decide. I won't send out any press
> >> releases to muddy the water. This pattern of Mountain Accord not
> listening
> >> or adjusting things to their control really is out of hand.
> >>
> >> Mark
> >>
> >> On Tue, Jun 30, 2015 at 4:02 PM, Shawn Seager <sseager@mountainland.org
> >>
> >> wrote:
> >>>
> >>> Mark, Thank for the Ideas and sorry for any additional confusion on
> this
> >>> complex issue.
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> >>> As you know I work for the Mayors and County Commissioners in Utah
> County
> >>> on this issue. I will follow their direction and assignment on this
> and have
> >>> offered to collect names for the Utah County Task Force. I was told
> that the
> >>> meeting went well yesterday at MA as I could not attend but I believe
> >>> Commissioner Lee and Mayor Gygi did speak in favor of the Task Force.
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> >>> If either of them want me to stop communicating with the MA team I am
> >>> happy to do so.
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> >>> Sincerely, Shawn
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> >>> On Tue, Jun 30, 2015 at 3:14 PM, mark allen <
> markstewartallen@gmail.com>
> >>> wrote:
> >>>>
> >>>> Shawn,
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> >>>> I am concerned that the press release that is going out will only
> muddy
> >>>> the waters. We desire a clean break from Mountain Accord.
> Commissioner Lee
> >>>> was so very clear about this in the AFCVision meeting. Commissioner
> >>>> Ellertson has said the same thing. Mayor Hadfield and Mayor Watkins
> as well.
> >>>> This press release is not representative of what Utah County asked
> for.
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> >>>> Simply put:
> >>>>
> >>>> Mountain Accord can do their thing in SLC.
> >>>> We will do our thing in Utah County using the State Auditor to make
> sure
> >>>> its clean, vetted.
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> >>>> After we have had our processes, perhaps Utah County can then
> negotiate
> >>>> with Snowbird and involve Mountain Accord, but it will be on our
> timeframe
> >>>> after there is time to gather information. Not a rushed wedding.
> >>>>
> >>>> That is how we see it should happen. Our processes need to be void of
> >>>> special interest groups and void of Snowbirds money. The MA press
> release
> >>>> looks to be an open call for special interest groups to start lining

> up, not
> >>>> really the ideal way to do things in my view.
> >>>>
> >>>> Yesterday morning Commissioner Lee has made it very clear that Utah
> >>>> County will create its own task force. This was restated in the
> meeting
> >>>> several times. Our group of 6000 from Protect and Preserve American
> Fork
> >>>> Canyon, clearly saw conflict on the existing steering committee
> yesterday,
> >>>> and we would like Commissioner Bill Lee to take the lead with the
> State
> >>>> Auditor to clean this up. I believe Commissioner Ellertson would
> support
> >>>> Commissioner Lee taking the lead on this, Commissioner Lee is who we
> would
> >>>> like to see lead out. Commissioner Ellertson and Commissioner Graves
> were
> >>>> unavailable to participate in our meeting tomorrow night,
> Commissioner Lee
> >>>> adjusted his schedule to accommodate.
> >>>>
> >>>> It is so readily apparent that there needs to be a divorce from
> Mountain
> >>>> Accord efforts to wed us. Again, this press release is Mountain Accord
> >>>> trying to force a marriage, we don't even want to date. In my view,
> another
> >>>> red flag. Utah County Commissioners should be making the press
> release.
> >>>>
> >>>> What has been proposed as to the creation of a balanced and fair task
> >>>> force board, and which I would suggest our Commissioner Lee take the
> lead
> >>>> on, with help from State Auditor Dougal and Councilman Brad Frost,
> perhaps
> >>>> as early as tomorrow night at American Fork High School, 6pm-10pm we
> could
> >>>> engage this rather than have MA try and dictate that we are doing it
> their
> >>>> way.
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> >>>> Talking point.. What might a steering committee process look like?
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> >>>> Each Mayor in the county has a seat / vote on the steering committee.
> >>>> They are all equal. This can help unify mayors that don't know each
> other.
> >>>> Provo Mayor and Goshen Mayor have same 1 vote.
> >>>> They come together and sign make full disclosure if they have had
> >>>> contributions or gifts from Snowbird. If they want to recuse
> themselves they
> >>>> can. Those who make disclosure, the other members of the committee
> can allow
> >>>> them to stay in, or ask that they remove themselves and then a city
> council
> >>>> would appoint / vote someone to represent their city.
> >>>> After this, the mayors would nominate business leaders to participate-
> >>>> one per one.. so, now there is balance there. They too would be
> vetted -
> >>>> perhaps against a standard you design.
> >>>> After which, nominations from the public would be taken in a public
> >>>> meeting and the business community and mayors could affirm or reject
> the
> >>>> potential citizens. Hopeful that there would be a water master, a
> housewife,
> >>>> a horseman, a plumber, a teacher, a farmer, a widow, etc.. very broad
> cross
> >>>> section which could include representation from motorized, backcountry
> >>>> groups.
> >>>> Perhaps the citizens give a two minute speech why they would
> participate.

> >>>> After which, they are vetted then there would be a balanced group
> from
> >>>> which valuable progress forward could be made.
> >>>> After formation of the committees, a charter is established, rules,
> >>>> fundraising figured out and accountability is determined, then the
> process
> >>>> can move forward.
> >>>>
> >>>> I would suggest we follow the plan Commissioner Lee has mentioned
> before,
> >>>> to do it the Utah County way, not the Mountain Accord way.
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> >>>> Please join with us for a open public meeting.
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> >>>> American Fork High School
> >>>> Tomorrow evening
> >>>> Wed July1st 2015
> >>>>
> >>>> 510 North Caveman Blvd,
> >>>> American Fork, UT 84003
> >>>> July 1st from 6-10 pm.
> >>>>
> >>>> Utah State Auditor- John Dougall
> >>>> Utah County Commissioner Bill Lee
> >>>> All elected mayors and city councils strongly encouraged to attend.
> >>>>
> >>>> Mark Allen
> >>>> co-founder Protect and Preserve American Fork Canyon
> >>>> 801 787 8025
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