

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held Monday, August 6, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Rich County Courthouse, 20 S. Main Street in Randolph. The Rich County Board of Commissioners is considering enacting an ordinance entitled: RICH COUNTY ORDINANCE REGULATING USE OF SPOTLIGHTS WHILE IN POSSESSION OF A WEAPON. A copy of this proposed ordinance can be obtained by contacting the Rich County Clerk, Becky Peart at (435) 793-2415.

Rich County has had an ordinance forbidding the use of spotlights while hunting since 1977. There have since been changes to the Utah State Code, which require the County's ordinance to now be updated. The proposed county ordinance continues to prohibit the use of spotlights while hunting. The proposed ordinance contains two exceptions: (1) any person lawfully acting to protect his or her crops, animal feed, or domestic animals from predation; and (2) an animal damage control agent acting in the agent's official capacity under a memorandum of agreement with the State Division of Wildlife Resources. These two exceptions are mandated by Utah Code Ann. § 23-13-17(7).

The Board of Commissioners is soliciting the public's comments on the proposed ordinance. Those attending the hearing will be invited to provide their input. Those wishing to comment, but who are unable to attend the hearing may also submit written comments to the Rich County Clerk prior to the hearing.