

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION
Tuesday, October 13, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.
Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Gage Froerer, James "Jim" H. Harvey, and Scott K. Jenkins

STAFF PRESENT: Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the Clerk/Auditor's Office, who took minutes

- A. **WELCOME** - Chair Froerer
- B. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** - Stacy Skeen
- C. **INVOCATION** - Bryan Baron
- D. **THOUGHT OF THE DAY** - Chair Froerer

E. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 1. Warrants #3152-#3169 and #453305-#453793 in the amount of \$2,562,996.95
- 2. Purchase orders in the amount \$63,142.33
- 3. Minutes for the meeting held on October 6, 2020
- 4. New business licenses
- 5. Weber County Tax Review Committee's request to approve the following refunds:
 - Parcel #12-102-0054, \$1,956.55
 - Parcel# 17-059-0023, \$1,253.96

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.
Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

G. ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A CHIEF DEPUTY POSITION, PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE 17-33-16 TO SUPERVISE THE CIVIL/SUPPORT DIVISION**

County Sheriff Ryan Arbon referred to the high demands being put on the Sheriff's Office in recent years and noted that there used to be three office managers. One left some time ago and the position remained open in hopes of converting it to a chief deputy.

The position duties include being over evidence, over all of the support staff, over records and other reports with corrections, training, etc. Fiscally, this position will use the current vacant position and combine with cost salary savings by some others that have left and there will not be additional costs. The commissioners agreed that this position is needed and support it.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the Chief Deputy position, pursuant to Utah Code 17-33-16 to supervise the Civil/Support Division; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

- 2. **AGREEMENT TO INCREASE THE GRANT AWARD FROM THE INDIGENT DEFENSE COMMISSION TO WEBER COUNTY FOR THE PROVISION OF INDIGENT DEFENSE SERVICES IN THE 2020-21 FISCAL YEAR**

Mike Bouwhuis, Indigent Defense Coordinator, noted that the legislature cut funding earlier in the year due to the pandemic's economic fallout, which impacted the State Indigent Defense Commission and which consequently impacted grants for the county's indigent defense services. They were able to recover a good portion later this summer and this modification reflects that for specialty contracts to handle homicides, serious sex offenses, etc., and also for the Administrative Assistant to receive a salary increase commensurate with the average for the position in county government.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the agreement to increase the grant award from the Indigent Defense Commission to Weber County for the provision of indigent defense services in the 2020-21 fiscal year; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.
Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

3. RESOLUTION APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE WEBER COUNTY BOUNDARY COMMISSION – RESOLUTION 35-2020

Matt Wilson, Deputy County Attorney, gave a brief overview of the Boundary Commission’s duties involving filed protests regarding annexations. He stated that the county appoints two county elected officials to the Boundary Commission. Commissioner Harvey is currently on that commission and the other position was vacated by former commissioner Gibson. A protest relating to the proposed West Weber incorporation is anticipated. Commissioner Harvey spoke to the other two commissioners’ expertise and suggested that they serve as the two members on the Boundary Commission. Commissioner Harvey’s term expires at the end of 2020. Commissioner Jenkins said that his only concern is a conflict of interest because he represents the county in that area and also lives in the city where the conflict exists. Commissioner Jenkins had publicly said that he felt that West Weber should be a city but has not been involved in any way. Chair Froerer stated that as a Commission they had not taken any position of support or non-support on the proposed incorporation; the commissioners had decided that it was up to the citizens to make that decision.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adopt Resolution 35-2020 appointing Commissioner Gage Froerer to the Weber County Boundary Commission expiring 12/31/2020; Commissioner Jenkins seconded. Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

4. CONTRACT WITH STIRRIN’ DIRT RACING FOR THE HALLOWEEN HAVOC DEMOLITION DERBY AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER

Ashton Wilson, County Fair Director, presented this contract.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with Stirrin’ Dirt Racing for the Halloween Havoc Demolition Derby to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: Commissioner Harvey recognized Janae Francis, the understudy for online streaming services for county meetings.

I. ADJOURN

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:32 a.m.; Commissioner Jenkins seconded. Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber County Clerk/Auditor