

**MINUTES  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY**

Tuesday, March 8, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.

Commission Chambers, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, Utah

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**COMMISSIONERS:** James Ebert and Matthew G Bell. Kerry W. Gibson was excused.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; David C. Wilson, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the Clerk/Auditor's Office, who took minutes.

- A. WELCOME** – Commissioner Bell
- B. INVOCATION** – Ricky Hatch
- C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Jennifer Graham
- D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY** – Commissioner Bell
  
- E. PRESENTATION ON THE OGDEN CANYON STUDY**

Kris Peterson, UDOT Region I Director, gave an overview of the Ogden Canyon study emphasizing that this is a planning study for long term transportation opportunities in the Canyon. Phase I issues that were looked at included geotechnical, right-of-way, environmental and roadway/traffic/safety/utilities. Phase II is currently underway and includes management committee meetings, focus groups and technical committees. Mr. Peterson said that significant efforts were made to involve the public at large—comments were solicited along with a public opinion survey. The major issue identified in the survey is safety (for pedestrian/motorist/bicycle) in the Canyon due to its tight curves, no shoulders, etc. He said that 70% of respondents are most concerned about bicycle and pedestrian safety, 60% are in favor of safety improvements, 55% do not want bicycles on the roadway, 78% are in favor of a trail if impacts to residents can be minimized and 75% want a trail that allows bicycles up and down the Canyon. Canyon residents are divided on having a trail system and are extremely concerned about privacy, trespassing, vandalism, crime, impacts to property right-of-ways, environmental and aesthetics protection.

The roadway group recommends 35 mph for segment 1 & 2 (lower segments) and 30 mph for segment 3/narrowest area of the canyon, no 45 mph and no 4-lane roadway. They recommend 4-foot shoulders in both directions, and for sharp curves to be improved. The transit group's recommendation thus far is for a paved trail from the mouth of the Canyon to the vicinity of the Narrows or Peery Camp, then for unpaved/gravel trails the remainder of the way up the Canyon. Several potential alignments have been identified for this latter trail. This is not a final recommendation and the study will not recommend one specific location. Commissioner Bell said that there may be bridges and/or underground tunnels traversing the roadway. Regarding bikes in the Narrows, Mr. Peterson said that the environmental group prefers going over the river rather than cutting into the mountain. He noted that no decisions have been made; there are several more months of studies and meetings. They are identifying locations and will then turn it over to the county.

**F. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Purchase orders for \$53,275.61
2. Warrants #402487 - #402679 for \$368,681.82
3. Minutes for the meeting held on March 1, 2016
4. Amendment to a Real Estate Contract of Purchase and Sale with the State of Utah Department of Administrative Services Division of Facilities Construction and Management
5. Contract with Linden and Linden MGMT for Development and Partnership Consulting Services
6. Retirement Agreements: Joan C. Carpenter; Wayne M. Smith

Commissioner Ebert moved to approve the consent items, including that item F.5 is subject to final changes agreed upon by both parties; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

**G. ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. RIGHT-OF-WAY CONTRACT WITH JESSICA/MATTHEW PETERSON, PARCEL 123, FOR 3500 W. PROJECT**

Jared Andersen, County Engineer, briefly presented this contract.

Commissioner Ebert moved to approve the right-of-way contract with Jessica and Matthew Peterson, Parcel 123, for the 3500 West road widening project; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

**2. CONTRACT WITH MARTY MOBLEY FOR THE WEBER COUNTY LIVESTOCK SHOW AT THE GOLDEN SPIKE EVENT CENTER ON APRIL 22-23, 2016**

Jennifer Graham, with County Culture, Parks & Recreation, presented this contract.

Commissioner Ebert moved to approve the contract with Marty Mobley for the Weber County Livestock Show at the Golden Spike Event Center on 4/22-23, 2016; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

**3. REAL ESTATE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT WITH OGDEN CITY FOR PARCEL 11-111-0009**

Rick Grover, County Planning Director, stated that the City is widening Harrison Blvd. and wishes to purchase this 760 ± square foot strip from the county. There is no public need by the county for this strip.

Commissioner Ebert moved to approve the Real Estate Purchase and Sale Agreement with Ogden City for Parcel 11-111-0009; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

**H. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**I. ASSIGN PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE FOR MEETING ON TUESDAY, MARCH 15, 2016 AT 10:00 A.M.**

**J. CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS STRATEGY RELATING TO THE PURCHASE OR SALE OF REAL ESTATE AS WELL AS STRATEGY RELATING TO IMMINENT OR ONGOING LITIGATION**

Commissioner Ebert moved to convene a closed executive session to discuss strategy relating to the purchase or sale of real estate and strategy relating to imminent or ongoing litigation; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

**RECONVENE THE PUBLIC MEETING**

No action was taken on the closed executive session.

**K. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Ebert moved to adjourn at 10:50 a.m.; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Commissioner Ebert – aye; Commissioner Bell – aye

Attest:

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Kerry W. Gibson, Chair  
Weber County Commission

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Ricky D. Hatch, CPA  
Weber County Clerk/Auditor