

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, March 21st, 2023 – 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 Sharon Bolos
STAFF PRESENT: Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Chris Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Craig D. Brandt, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office, who took minutes.

A. WELCOME: Chair Froerer

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Ashley Thoman

C. INVOCATION: Bill Cobabe

D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Commissioner Froerer: You may have heard of the fable "Don't Argue with Donkeys". The donkey said to the tiger, "The grass is blue." The tiger replied, "No, the grass is green." The discussion heated up and the two decided to go to arbitration before the lion King. Before reaching the clearing near the king, the donkey began to shout, "His highness, is it true the grass it blue?" The king replied, "True, the grass is blue". The donkey hurried and said, "The tiger disagrees with me, your highness. And he contradicts me and annoys me. Please punish him." The king replied, "The tiger will be punished with five years of silence." The donkey jumped cheerfully and went on his way content and repeating, "The grass is blue!" The tiger asked the lion king, "Your majesty, why are you punishing me? After all, the grass is green." The king of the jungle replied, "In fact, the grass is green." "Then why are you punishing me?" the tiger asked. The king responded, "This has nothing to do with the question of whether the grass is green or blue. The punishment is because it is not possible for a brave and intelligent creature like you to waste time arguing with a donkey and, on top of that, come bother me with that situation. The worst waste of time is arguing with the fool and fanatic who does not care about the truth or reality but only cares about the victory of his beliefs and illusions. Never waste time on arguments that don't make sense. There are people who, no matter how much evidence we present to them, are not in the capacity to understand. And others are blinded by ego, hatred, and resentment. All they want to do is be right even when they are not. When ignorance screams, intelligence is silence. Your peace and quiet are worth far more." I think that's a good reminder for us all.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Warrants #7538-7568, #475147-475264 and #251-255 in the amount of \$686,145.26.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$916,829.10.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. New business licenses.
5. Agreements by and between Weber County and the following individuals for Deputy Sheriff Basic Training Reimbursement:

Nicholas Radar	Kensy Landaverde
Gabriel Robertson	Tyler Martin
Dylan Goodwin	Eamon McElwain
Sierra Thornock	Christian Hale
Colin Maxfield	Johnathan Rangassamy
Colby Bills	

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

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH INOEL CHAVEZ FOR THE APRIL 2023 MATCHED RACE.**

Duncan Olsen (GSEC): This contract is unique. These matched races do not fit into our fee schedule. We are going to sponsor discounts on tables and chairs.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve of an Agreement with Inoel Chavez for the April 2023 Matched Race;
Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. **APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS TO PURCHASE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG 2550 SOUTH FOR CORRIDOR PRESERVATION:**

Terry Kent and Patricia Anne Anderson
William D. Anderson
Dean and Nola Stauffer

Ashley Thoman (Engineering): Three contracts in front of you are to purchase Right of Ways on 2550 South. This is funded through the Corridor Preservation Funds granted a few years ago. These are the last few coordinated with on this Right of Way with potentially a couple more remaining.

Commissioner Bolos moved for approval of a contract with the above listed individuals to purchase right-of-way along 2550 South for corridor preservation; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

3. APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH SKYWAY TOWERS, LLC. TO PUT A CELL TOWER ON THE EAST SIDE OF THE SHERIFF’S OFFICE FOR A PERIOD OF 25 YEARS.

Deputy Mark Horton (Sheriff’s Department): This is a 25 year contract to install a cell tower on the east corner of our property. This will bring the county \$1000 per month plus 2% annually. This addresses a dead zone of cell coverage for deputies and local citizens.

Commissioner Bolos moved for approval of a contract with Skyway Towers, LLC. to put a cell tower on the east side of the Sheriff’s Office for a period of 25 years; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Commissioner Harvey moved to postpone the public hearings until April 11, 2023.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Commissioner Bolos: I was at a Sheriff’s office meeting when they told of an officer-involved shooting that followed the usual protocol of mandatory time off for the deputy. Another deputy went home and asked his wife to make dinner for two families because they needed to feed the family of the deputy involved.

J. ADJOURN

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:20 am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber County Clerk/Auditor