

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, April 18th, 2023 – 5:30 p.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: Stacy Skeen

C. INVOCATION: Ricky Hatch

D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Commissioner Harvey: In preparation for the thought of the day today, I have this 3170 counties in this great United States. But I'll save that for another time. Jane and I believed as we watched our kids get older, what shapes a child to advance into adulthood. To me, the common denominator is grandparents. Later we will recognize a granddaughter of grandparents and great-grandparents that are here today. At age five my family split up, and families came to our rescue. I have memories of the Boyington home where I felt safe and loved. I want to say thank you to Jen and Carl for the love you've shown me my whole life.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: (MOVED TO THE END OF THE AGENDA)

1. Gloria Froerer: I wanted to take a moment to talk about the Boyington and Redd families.
2. Jim Ebert, : Being a spouse of someone who has worked in the county for many years,

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Warrants #7737-7782, #475720-475849 and #260-261 in the amount of \$1,505,815.84.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$346,298.40.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meeting held on April 11, 2023
5. Contract with Ben Pulver for Deputy Sheriff Basic Training Reimbursement.

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 INTER-LOCAL AGREEMENT WITH WEBER FIRE DISTRICT FOR PURCHASE AND USE OF A PORTABLE RESCUE BOAT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE ON CAUSEY RESERVOIR AND ANY OTHER APPLICABLE BODIES OF WATER IN WEBER COUNTY.**

Sgt. Kyle Slater (Sheriff's Office): Sheriff's office contacted by the Fire District. In the past five years there were 17 medical incidents where this boat could have been used. The public's use at Causey Reservoir has increased 1000% in the last eight years. The interlocal agreement addresses maintenance, use, and insurance and licensing responsibilities.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve an Inter-local Agreement with Weber Fire District for purchase and use of a portable rescue boat for law enforcement and emergency response on Causey Reservoir and any other applicable bodies of water in Weber County; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. **APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH GSBS ARCHITECTURAL FIRM FOR THE JAIL EXPANSION SCHEMATIC DESIGN.**

Sheriff Ryan Arbon (Weber County Sheriff): This contract is an important step to the future of jail expansion. A few years ago we identified the need for future expansion but Covid hit and those plans were put on hold. We do not yet know how much expansion is needed. This contract will show schematics and designs addressing what we need based on data, including crime rates, and what is needed in Weber County. Special appreciation to Chief Reese for leading this effort.

Commissioner Bolos: I want to thank the Sheriff and his staff for the work on this project. I appreciate their willingness to be flexible in educating us on what you need.

Commissioner Bolos moved for approval of a contract with GSBS Architectural Firm for the Jail Expansion Schematic Design; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

H. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

1. Request for a motion to adjourn public meeting and convene public hearings.

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene public hearings, 5:46 p.m.;
Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. Public hearing for consideration of an ordinance and applicant driven text amendment to amend the Ogden Valley Signs ordinance to allow a neighborhood identification sign to be placed on a retaining wall - ZTA 2022-03.

Steve Burton (Planning): This is an applicant driven request by Wolf Creek Utah. Currently the Ogden Valley sign code does not allow subdivision or neighborhood signs on retaining walls. The Applicant's proposed language is two sentences. Subdivision entry signs may be placed on a retaining wall. Signage should not exceed a height of 4.5ft and width of 40ft. A 4-2 vote by the Ogden Valley Planning Commission on February 7th, 2023 to recommend approving the applicant's Proposed language. Via the proposed Ordinance, staff recommends changing terms to "neighborhood entry sign" in lieu of "subdivision entry sign". Staff also recommends allowing neighborhood entry signs installed on a monument sign or retaining wall. Staff also adjusted the sign height limitation to 5ft while retaining 40ft width. The Ordinance also specifies allowance between retaining wall or monument signs where only one can be implemented, not both.

3. Public Comments:

Ron Gleason, Eden, UT: I have no objection with signs on retaining walls. I ask that lighting either not be allowed or capped at a specific number of lumens. There is no definition for material of retaining walls, reflective or non-reflective. With the current sign ordinance and the number of lumens that can be used. The proposed sign moves the sign into a category allowing 100 lumens. This is the International Dark Sky Week.

Mr. Burton: The way the ordinance is written right now requires Dark Sky compliance for all signs.

4. Request for a motion to adjourn public hearings and reconvene public meeting.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the public hearings and reconvene public meeting, 5:56 pm;
Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. Action on public hearing:

H2: Consideration of Ordinance 2023-07 and applicant driven text amendment to amend the Ogden Valley Signs ordinance to allow a neighborhood identification sign to be placed on a retaining wall- ZTA 2022-03.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve Ordinance 2023-07 and applicant driven text amendment to amend the Ogden Valley Signs ordinance to allow a neighborhood identification sign to be placed on a retaining wall- ZTA 2022-03; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

I. PRESENTATIONS:

1. Presentation of the Weber County Department Reports. [Click [here](#) to view the video presentations beginning at the 35:48 mark.]

Commissioner Bolos: You will see these great videos from the departments I work with. When I was elected, Commissioner Harvey said "This will be the best gig you will ever have." I really loved being mayor. I won't say anything publicly...but it's pretty good here. The staff from the county continues to impress me every day.

Commissioner Harvey: I've got the really fun group. Anything to do with education and buildings outside of this building falls in my portfolio. You'll first hear from a couple of elected officials, Ricky Hatch of the Clerk/Auditor's Office and Chris Allred of the Attorney's Office; then Lynnda Wangsgard, what a great Library Director, I want to thank the library staff for being here tonight, thank you for your support; our Culture, Parks, and Recreation department led by Marty Smith; and then our Convention Visitors Bureau.

Chair Froerer: I get to deal with two elected officials who rarely get to hear from the public except for certain times of the year, Mr. John Ulibarri who assess your property for taxes and Mr. John Bond to whom you pay your taxes; two very competent individuals who do occasionally hear from the public. My portfolio also includes Sean Wilkinson, Community Development Director who deals with things like roads, the landfill, planning and zoning, engineering which includes flooding. You'll see the dedication these employees have for the county.

2. Presentation of the State of the County. [Click [here](#) to view the video presentations beginning at the 1:14:00 mark.]

Chair Froerer:

3. Presentation of the Crystal Bowl Awards:

Commissioner Bolos: The first county employee to receive this award, Steffani Ebert.

Commissioner Harvey: The next award goes to Beehive Cheese.

Chair Froerer: The final award goes to Addison Redd, the National High Rodeo Queen.

Commissioners:

J. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

1. Commissioner Bolos: We have seen tonight how big this puzzle is...it's huge. It takes a lot of people.
2. Commissioner Harvey: It takes a lot of effort to pull together a State of the County. Can we give a round of applause for our Chair, Gage Froerer?
3. Chair Froerer:

K. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 7:17 pm.; Commissioner Harvey 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