

**MINUTES**  
**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, April 28, 2020 - 10:00 a.m. - Electronic Meeting

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**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:** Gage Froerer, "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 -** Sarah Swan

**C. INVOCATION -** Commissioner Jenkins

**D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY -** Commissioner Harvey

**E. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None were received.

**F. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Warrants #2688-2702 and #449048-449243 in the amount of \$1,207,658.07
2. Purchase orders in the amount \$101,284.81
3. Minutes for the meeting held on April 21, 2020
4. Surplus an office chair from the Weber-Morgan Health Department
5. Letter of support for the State of Utah Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Recreation to purchase property in Weber County near the Monte Cristo snowmobile parking lot

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

**G. ACTION ITEMS:**

1. **RESOLUTION DECLARING THE COUNTY'S INTENT TO PICKUP A CERTAIN PERCENTAGE OF CERTAIN PUBLIC SAFETY EMPLOYEES' CONTRIBUTIONS TO UTAH STATE RETIREMENT SYSTEM – RESOLUTION 11-2020**

Sarah Swan, County Administrative Services Director, stated that the 2020 State Legislature passed a requirement that public safety employees in the Tier II Hybrid Retirement System contribute 2.27% to their own retirement. The legislation allows participating employers to elect to pay all or part of the required employee member contribution on behalf of the employee. It also requires employers who make this election to make additional non-elective contributions to the defined contribution plans at 2.27%. The county agrees to pay 100% of these contributions effective 7/1/2020 in order to maintain a competitive edge in the recruiting market until superseded or revoked by the Commission or the law changes. Commissioner Jenkins said that the Legislature passed Tier II relief a couple of years ago, which he had objected to, and now the county pays more because of it. The other two commissioners concurred, preferring to have had a revenue stream to accompany the unfunded mandate.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adopt Resolution 11-2020 declaring the county's intent to pick up a certain percentage of certain Public Safety employees' contributions to the Utah State Retirement System; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

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

2. **CONTRACT WITH GRANITE CONSTRUCTION COMPANY FOR THE NORTH OGDEN DIVIDE PROJECT**
3. **CONTRACT WITH STANLEY CONSULTANTS, INC., FOR CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT FOR THE NORTH OGDEN DIVIDE PROJECT**

Tucker Weight, of County Engineering, presented these two contracts. He outlined the road construction project for the North Ogden Divide that will start in the middle of May stating that it is mostly related to drainage and to get the water off the road and prevent damage. Granite bid the project at \$1,845,026.00. Stanley Consultants went through the RFP process and the cost is \$136,993.68. Both will come from Proposition 1 funds. Because it would cost the county about the same to do the project internally, Commissioner Jenkins now agrees with the contracts. Chair Froerer added that it would require adding more full time staff for the construction management to be done internally, and this contract is more economically feasible for the county.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the contract with Granite Construction Company for the North Ogden Divide project; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with Stanley Consultants, Inc., for construction management for the North Ogden Divide project; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

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

**4. CONTACT WITH DOBE CONSTRUCTION FOR INSTALLATION OF A WATERLINE FOR NEW ARCHERY PARK**

Todd Ferrario, County Ice Sheet and Parks & Recreation Division Director, stated that this contract went through the RFP process and the low bid was \$86,500 for work that includes an 8” water line with a connection at 26<sup>th</sup> Street and F Avenue, one 1-inch culinary connection, and one 6-inch fire system connection on the project. They were allowed to use all native soils for bedding. He said that this item is a good value for the county, and Commissioner Jenkins stated that this is a very fair price. Commissioner Harvey is continually impressed with the great improvements that the team is doing in that area and the other commissioners concurred. Mr. Ferrario added that with all the work that county staff will do internally, there will be a savings of about \$150,000. Additionally, the funds are coming from State grants so no county monies are being used at this time.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with Dobe Construction for the installation of a waterline for the new Archery Park; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

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

**H. PUBLIC HEARING (Participation in this public hearing could be done by calling the number listed on the agenda.)**

1.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene the public hearing; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

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

**2. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FIRST PUBLIC HEARING FOR CARES ACT FUNDING**

Chair Froerer gave the number that anyone interested in participating in the public hearing could call. Christy Dahlberg, Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) Community Development Administrator, stated that the purpose of this public hearing was to provide citizens with pertinent information about funds allocated to the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program authorized by the Coronavirus Aid Relief and Economic Security Act and to allow for discussion of possible applications for the 2020 funding cycle. These special funds are to be used to prevent, prepare for, to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic in the Wasatch Front’s AOG region, and to mitigate its impacts. Weber County is eligible to apply under the Utah Department of Workforce Services and the WFRC is eligible to apply through Weber County. Grant money must be spent on projects benefiting primarily low-moderate income persons. The Wasatch Front region is expecting to receive approximately \$499,000, with additional funding possible. Eligible activities must prevent and respond to the spread of infectious diseases and examples include, but are not limited to, constructing a facility for testing, diagnosing or treating, rental assistance and small business grants. The 2019-2020 State Annual Action Plans are under revision to add this funding and activities. All comments will be considered by the WFRC. Ms. Dahlberg invited anyone wishing to speak to state their name and where they were from. Chair Froerer noted that this would be administered by the WFRC and Ms. Dahlberg concurred stating that there would be a contract with the county for the portions of money that would be allocated through WFRC and if the WFRC partners with other agencies, the county would have contracts with those entities as well. If the county applies for these funds, a second public hearing will be held.

3. Public Comments: Chair Froerer invited public comments and none were offered.

4.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the public meeting; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

5. ACTION ON PUBLIC HEARING: Chair Froerer noted that there was no action to be taken at this time.

**I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:** Commissioner Jenkins said that business/economics are starting to come back little by little, and he hopes that it continues as well as people remain socially responsible as we get back on track. Chair Froerer noted that last Wednesday the county announced a soft opening in conjunction with Davis and Morgan counties, which is the best decision at this time, that this is to be data driven and in the best interest of the public and businesses.

**J. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn at 10:41 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

Attest:

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Gage Froerer, Chair  
Weber County Commission

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Ricky D. Hatch, CPA  
Weber County Clerk/Auditor