

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, July 9th, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: James "Jim" H. Harvey, Sharon Bolos, Gage Froerer

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 Harvey

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Lauren Shafer

C. INVOCATION: Zeke Swander

D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Commissioner Harvey: A tragic accident happened on Saturday in Ogden Canyon around 12:45pm. A bulldozer fell off a flatbed and killed Richard Hendrickson and his youngest daughter; his wife and two of their other children survived. I taught Richard how to operate a boat; he did so well he was the only one I wanted to operate the boat when I skied. He lived his life with a keen understanding that service was key. He would take his big bonus and share it with the employees. His family always came first and they knew it. He believed in giving back to the community and was very generous with his employees at Lifetime Products. His daughter was as sweet as pie. I would like us to take a moment of silence for them. On another note, I want to recognize Lynn Taylor who is leaving the County. He is a giving person and has been through his whole life. Most will not get to experience what happens after these meetings as we sit and sign contracts; I really like when Lynn is here and we talk about airplanes. Lynn is a former A-10 Warthog pilot that has seen things I hope none of us even hear about. He is fair, accurate, and also really smart. Your next family will be great because you will help make them great. We appreciate and love you.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. PRESENTATIONS:

1. RAMP It Up presentation:

We have been fortunate to receive RAMP funds. We wanted to give something back and held a paint out competition called RAMP It Up. 27 artists participated, their items were judged, and we purchase the pieces and wanted to give you one today. The painting by Scott Woodruff we purchased and present to you today is of the grain elevators in West Ogden that are being torn down. We wanted something that came from us to show we are using RAMP funds for their intended purpose.

2. Proclamation by Davis County and Weber County Commissioners declaring July 8, 2024 as Colonel Jeffrey G. Holland Day. Chair Harvey read the Proclamation as follows:

A Proclamation by the Davis County and Weber County Commissioners declaring July 8th, 2024 as "Colonel Jeffrey G. Holland Day" in Davis and Weber Counties for his induction into the Order of the Western Big Hat.

Whereas, this is declaring July 8th 2024 as Colonel Jeffrey G Holland Day. Jeffrey G Holland entered the Air Force and was commissioned from the Air Force Academy in the year 2000. He served in every facet of the Air Force's field level aircraft maintenance enterprise in both garrison and expeditionary environments and was promoted to the rank of Colonel on January 1st, 2020; and

Whereas, Colonel Holland is a 2008 graduated the Air Force Institute of Technology with a Master of Science degree in Logistics Management, a 2014 graduate of the John F Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University with a Master in Public Administration, and a 2017 graduate of the Eisenhower School, National Defense University with a Master in National Security; and

Whereas, during his career he has served at Headquarters United States Air Force in Europe, Headquarters of United States Transportation Command, and Headquarters United States Air Force, as well as commanding at the Squadron, Group and Wing levels; and

Whereas, Colonel Holland is the 75th Airbase Wing commander and Installation Commander at Hill Air Force Base where his Wing provides installation support for the Ogden Air Logistics complex,

two fighter wings, and 50 other associate units totaling 27,000 active duty civilian and contractor personnel; and

Whereas, during his time at Hill Air Force Base he has commanded with grace, dignity, and a firm commitment to his people and the vital national security missions accomplished at his installation. He worked personally with the base and community leaders to establish the innovative and far-reaching Project One program to increase mission readiness by the strengthening his airman's sense of belonging and community; and

Whereas, during his distinguished and illustrious career he has been honored with numerous awards and decorations, including the Air Force Achievement Medal, the Air Force Commendation Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf clusters, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, and the Legion of Merit; and

Whereas, Colonel Holland has been an exemplary leader, a dedicated family man, and a valued friend to our community where he's dramatically improved conditions for the citizens, military members, and military missions residing in Davis and Weber Counties. Now, therefore, the Davis and Weber County Commissioners do hereby proclaim July 8th 2024 as Colonel Jeffrey G Holland Day.

The Proclamation was signed by each commissioner of both counties.

G. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Warrants #102084-102122 and #484545-464625 in the amount of \$969,051.30.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$753,382.72.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meetings held on May 28th, 2024.
5. New beer licenses.
6. New business licenses.
7. Amendment #3 to contract #230485, adding additional funding to the new Children’s Justice Center Facility.
8. Facility Rental Agreement by and between Weber County and Northern Wasatch Home Builder’s Association.
9. Retirement Agreement with Robert Campbell.
10. Approval of contracts with the following for the 2024 Ogden Musical Theatre’s Kids Act Up:

Mark Daniels	Director	River Nelson	Stage Manager
Melissa Chertudi	Director	Jack Gardner	Assistant Stage Manager
Noelle Sadler	Director	Erika Jones	Counselor
Melanie Day	Director	Isaac Sadler	Counselor
Melissa Chertudi	Director	Maggie Fisher	Counselor
Matt Bolingbroke	Music Director	Rachel Larson	Counselor
Andrew White	Music Director	Erica Jones	Counselor
Melanie Day	Discovery Director	Maggie Fisher	Counselor
Andrew White	Music Assistant		
11. Land Lease Agreement by and between Weber County and US Forest Service for the Monte Cristo radio site just off of SR 39.

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

H. ACTION ITEMS:

Commissioner Froerer moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene as a Board of Canvassers, 10:21 a.m.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

1. **BOARD OF CANVASSERS- CERTIFY THE RESULTS OF THE 2024 REPUBLICAN PRIMARY ELECTION.**

Lauren Shafer (Elections Director): For the 2024 Republican primary election we had 63,380 registered Republican voters with a turnout of 46.2%. We counted 29,286 votes and we rejected 392 ballots. We had 56 provisional ballots but only 38 of those counted. We rejected one because they had already voted, three were incomplete registrations, and fourteen were not affiliated with the Republican Party. For our By Mail Ballot stats, 64,162 ballots were mailed out, 28286 were cast, leaving 34840 ballots, or 54%, not returned by voters and 1,036 ballots, or 2%, that were returned undeliverable. We did not count 392 ballots; there is an error at the bottom which I will fix and get out to you. 131 of those were returned past the deadline; 195 had signatures that did not match the voter record; 24 of those were returned unsigned; there were 2 empty envelopes; we had 18 signed by someone other than the voter; and 4 ballots were returned with no envelope. All of the ballots that were not counted besides the ballots returned with no envelope were given a letter, a text, and an email to have time to cure their ballot. We cured as many as we could but not everyone got back to us in time.

Chair Harvey: So it wasn't on your end, it was on the voter's end?

Ms. Shafer: Yeah, it was on their end. I will now read the results of the Primary results for Weber County:

63380 registered voters and 29,285 ballots cast
US Senate John Curtis W with 12,986 votes
US House 1: Blake Moore with 19835 votes
Utah Governor and Lieutenant Governor: Spencer J Cox and Deedra M Henderson with 15592 votes
Attorney General: Derek Brown with 11,920 votes
State auditor: Ricky Hatch with 16873 votes
State School Board 3: Brent Strate with 2,432 votes

Commissioner Bolos: Of the 195 signatures that did not match the voter record, does that take into account the ones that were cured?

Ms. Shafer: No, those are the ones that were not cured. We had around 574 that we ultimately sent out but only around 374 were ones that did not get cured.

Commissioner Bolos: One more question. 'Ballot Mailed to Voters' shows 64,162 with active registered voters of 63380. I'm wondering why there were more ballots mailed than registered voters?

Ms. Shafer: We generate more ballots than we have active registered voters because we send replacement ballots. Some people can move in and out of the county before the registration period; we spoil ballots because they got mailed to the wrong address or their dog ate it or they lost it, and we send them a new ballot.

Commissioner Froerer: I appreciate the detail that you have before us. I think it just makes us realize how secure we are in Weber County with our election process and procedures. Just another thing we do in Weber County that we are the best at and that is a result of our great people we have in the election office. I appreciate the work.

Chair Harvey: I appreciate well in advance that there are opportunities for the public to witness the process. That process from the beginning to the end including the audit performed gives me confidence in what goes on in our elections in this County. I firmly defend our process. Thank you so much for all that you do.

Commissioner Bolos moved to certify the Results of the 2024 Republican Primary Election; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

Commissioner Froerer moved to adjourn the Board of Canvassers and reconvene public meeting, 10:29 am; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Stall of Fame: Camille Chamberlin, Clerk/Auditor's Office

Ricky Hatch (County Clerk/Auditor): Camille received a Bravo Award from Mona Wald for her work on Property Tax Relief. Weber County processes over 5k property tax relief applications through six different tax relief programs and they are all done by one person, Camille. She started at the front counter and her eye for detail led her to her current position. She treats people like she would want someone to treat her parents. She exemplifies world class customer service with a smile, has genuine care for others, and is continuously looking for ways to improve the process.

Commissioner Froerer: The Clerk's office does a great job serving our community. These are not easy programs to understand and explain to our elderly and disabled members of our community. I want to thank her for taking the time to understand property tax relief and for communicating in a way that is fair and equitable to a portion of the public that very much needs that help.

Chair Harvey: You have always been friendly, focused, on time, and honest. Congratulations on being a fantastic person and a great example in your department.

J. ADJOURN

Commissioner Freorer moved to adjourn at 10:29 a.m.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

Attest:

James H. Harvey, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber County Clerk/Auditor