

MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, August 6th, 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, and Gage Froerer
STAFF PRESENT Jason Horne, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office; 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: Chad Averett

C. INVOCATION: Shelly Halacy

D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY: Commissioner Bolos: The last three years I have ridden the Snake River on an inflatable kayak. I was nervous this year as we approached the biggest wave on the river, the Kahuna; I had not fallen out the previous three years but this year I feel out numerous times. The bulk of our family will ride in a raft while the rest ride in three to five kayaks. I noticed the kayakers make their own little clique. They talk about the big rapids before they go through them. If anyone falls out, they debrief after to find out what happened, what went right, how much fun it was, what is coming up next. It made me think how we all hit things in our lives like these rapids; we prepare for them the best we can; sometimes we fall out; sometimes it's a blast. But we go down with those who have been with us all the way through and if something went wrong, we talk about it after and do better next time. It's those people around you who help you not only get through challenges but also help have fun with each other.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. RECOGNITION:

1. Recognition of the Kyle Nordfors for Utah State Search and Rescue Volunteer of the Year.

Sheriff Ryan Arbon (Weber County Sheriff): This is a once-a-year award; you send the nomination to staff that represents Utah Search and Rescue. We nominated Kyle Nordfors and Lt. Mark Horton (only Kyle could be considered as the award is for Volunteer of the Year). I am going to read the nomination we submitted:

Weber County Sheriff search and rescue began using drones on 2018 using a single low resolution thermal camera drone. The drone was instrumental in saving lives of three men. Soon after formal standard operating procedures were developed using aviation industry standards as the backbone and merging with them with search and rescue practices. Many successful rescues followed gaining the attention of drone blog websites across the nation. In March 22 Weber County Search and Rescue logged the 600th life saved nationwide with a drone. Mark and Kyle have worked hard to show the value of drones used in not only search and rescue operations but they have also helped in homicides, worked on critical legislation, and trained hundreds of other drone operators how to use of the drones. They have helped bring critical legislation for the benefit of all public safety users and have been nationally recognized for their efforts. The dedication that Mark and Kyle exhibited in this situation and their unwavering drive to see it through to the end serve to protect agencies throughout Utah, as well as the county, and allow them to continue operations with drones that have proven life-saving many times over and over in a variety of situations.

These two men are literally the top 1% of the 1% when it comes to Search and Rescue drone technology and when it comes to just getting it done without the restrictions and red tape we face daily. These guys save lives. And so does our team; Debbie is wonderful; the Search and Rescue team is absolutely phenomenal. We receive requests from throughout the state, throughout the nation, and throughout the world from other countries wanting to know why we are so successful. It is my honor to recognize these two, especially Kyle for the award of Search and Rescue Volunteer of the Year.

Lt. Mike Horton (Weber County Sheriff's Department, Search and Rescue): In 2018, we wanted to start a drone program and felt behind the curve with Search and Rescue. With Kyle's help, we quickly led to the front. We learned with the drones we could cut search times in half and cut rescue times in half. Kyle developed a program that keeps the drone with someone after they have been found which then helps guide

the rescue teams in. Kyle then takes it a step further and plots the best ways out for people. Because of Kyle's work and dedication, the program is just phenomenal and we are being recognized worldwide.

Kyle Nordfors: All I did was bring my aviation and airline policies I learned in the airlines and tried to apply them to Search and Rescue. This award is more reflective of the team as a whole. I just fly the little drone. If it wasn't for the team on the ground, climbing the mountains to extract people, my drone would be useless. And it's a representation of good leadership stemming from the Commission to the Sheriff and Lt Horton who allowed me the leeway to do certain things that helped get to where we are today. I am travelling to China and London to spread what we have learned. A drone manufacturer reached to us and offered us to demo a new large drone that can carry a litter so our ground teams no longer have to carry someone out or carry supplies up a mountain. Thank for your ever growing support.

G. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Warrants #102678-102718, #485776-485872 in the amount of \$1,125,640.76.
 2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$9,592.34.
 3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
 4. New business licenses.
 5. Contract with Ellie Burkhardt for services as a dresser for Ogden Musical Theatre's performance of Aida.
 6. Contract with Inoel Chavez for the August 2024 Matched Races to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center.
 7. Addendum to the contract with Brady Stuart to represent indigent persons in the Second District Court.
- Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Froerer seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

H. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH DMLP RESOURCES, LLC DBA ROPER BUILDINGS TO DESIGN AND BUILD A POST FRAME BUILDING AT NORTH FORK PARK.**

Todd Ferrario (Director, Culture, Parks, & Recreation): This is for the design and build of structure at the south entrance of North Fork Park and it will be called North Fork Basecamp. There will be year round restrooms, concession area, changing area, and rental of bicycles/cross country skis with a private business partnership. We are fully funded with RAMP money and CIP matching funds from the County. They will build the outside structure and our folks will do the interior, which should save us \$200k approximately.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with DMLP Resources, LLC dba Roper Buildings to design and build a post frame building at North Fork Park; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

2. **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH HANA ENTERTAINMENT TO SECURE ENTERTAINMENT SERVICES FOR THE 2024 TCG WWR EVENT AT THE OGDEN ECCLES CONFERENCE CENTER.**

Todd Ferrario (Director, Culture, Parks, & Recreation): This is entertainment for what is kind of TCG's farewell party. It's a Polynesian entertainment group that fits in with the theme this year.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with Hana Entertainment to secure entertainment services for the 2024 TCG WWR Event at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

3. **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH DOMINION GAS FOR INSTALLATION OF A NEW GAS MAIN EXTENSION THE CHILDREN'S JUSTICE CENTER FACILITY.**

Rod Layton (CJC): This will be the line coming along Jackson from the main line over to the site of building. There will be a separate contract to bring it across the street over to the building.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Dominion Gas for installation of a new gas main extension the Children's Justice Center facility; Commissioner Froerer seconded.
Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer - aye

4. APPROVE RESOLUTION 40-2024 APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT.

Emily Wilde (HR Director): The Weber County Career Service Council has a vacancy from an expiring position. There are three applicants.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve Resolution 40-2024 appointing Lacy Richards to the Weber County Career Service Council; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

I. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Stall of Fame: Marta Borchert (Planning)

Rick Grover (Planning Director): When Marta started as an administrative assistant, I knew quickly when she started she was going to advance. She has cross-trained and is an amazing asset to our team. This has been especially helpful as we have been recently shorthanded; she has helped us keep our heads above water. We would like to recognize her and thank her.

Marta Borchert: I just want to say thank you to everybody I work with. They are definitely more deserving than I am. Thank you.

Commissioner Bolos: I always love the comment, “I knew when she started...”. That’s always a good sign.

2. Chair Harvey: We have a County celebration for all in our County and the surrounding area to participate in the Weber County Fair starting tomorrow and running through Saturday, 11am-11pm. The biggest highlight is it’s a safe, family friendly event.

J. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING OR REASONABLY IMMINENT LITIGATION: NOT HELD

K. ADJOURN

Commissioner Froerer moved to adjourn at 10:37 am; 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