MINUTES WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION

Tuesday, September 28, 2021 – 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, Gage Froerer, and Scott K. Jenkins.

STAFF PRESENT: Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Craig Brandt, of the Clerk/Auditor's Office, who took minutes.

- A. WELCOME Chair Harvey
- **B.** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Kristy Bingham
- C. INVOCATION Bryan Baron
- **D.** THOUGHT OF THE DAY Commissioner Froerer:
 - 1. SITLA donated \$6.7M to Weber County Schools; \$139/student. SITLA Trust worth over \$3B.
 - **2.** Recent Association of Sheriffs meeting state awards: Sheriff Deputy Landry Roskelley recognized as Corrections Deputy of the Year; Sheriff Chief Perry recognized as Jail Commander of the Year; Sheriff Arbon recognized as Lawman of the Year.

E. PRESENTATION

Recognition of the Weber County Election's Office for receiving an award from the National Association of Election Officials.

Presenter: Ricky Hatch Weber State women's basketball team Coach Harris encouraged athletes to participate in election process; 57 total helped support the election process. Students helped set up, prep, guide voters,

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

- 1. Warrants #4411-4429, #461951-462166 and #118-119 in the amount of \$1,706,867.92.
- 2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$236,191.46.
- 3. Minutes for the meetings held on September 21, 2021.
- 4. Private utility easement granted by the State of Utah to Weber County.
- 5. Change Order on the RingCentral Contract to provide Weber Human Services a network performance scan.
- 6. Amendment to Sunrise Engineering contract #406 for a feasibility study to be done on wastewater collection from the western part of the county to Central Weber's System.

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

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

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. APPROVAL OF AN AGREEMENT WITH OGDEN VALLEY LAND TRUST FOR A DONATION OF \$50,000 TO THE OGDEN VALLEY LAND TRUST FOR THE PURCHASE OF A MONASTERY CONSERVATION EASEMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH A FEDERAL GRANT FROM THE NRCS CONSERVATION EASEMENT PROGRAM ON APPROXIMATELY 1,080 ACRES THAT WAS ONCE HOME TO THE MONASTERY KNOWN AS ABBEY OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY TRINITY.

John Bond, Weber County Treasurer, April 2020 meeting with members of the Board of Ogden Valley Land Trust agreeing to pay remainder of needed \$300k. Mother Teresa visited the abbey for a retreat; 7 years later she would receive the Nobel Peace Prize. Weber County will donate \$50k contingent on first raising the other \$250k by November 1, 2021. Over 257 donations received and the goal was met.

Ruby Raccasi, Ogden Valley Land Trust Chair, thanked the county for their support.

Greg Booth, Ogden Valley Land Trust, it's an honor to represent the Land Trust. Without the \$50k from the County, preserving this open space would not be possible.

Commissioner Froerer: Land Trust does a great job preserving land in Weber County. "I was born and raised a half mile from this site. Some of the monks I remember were some of the most kind and warm hearted people that you could ever hope to meet. Truly benevolent people that I still remember to this day."

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve an agreement with Ogden Valley Land Trust for a donation of \$50,000 to the Ogden Valley Land Trust for the purchase of a Monastery Conservation Easement in conjunction with a federal grant from the NRCS Conservation Easement Program on approximately 1,080 acres that was once home to the monastery known as Abbey of Our Lady of the Holy Trinity; Commissioner Jenkins seconded. Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Harvey – aye

2. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 37-2021 OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY ESTABLISHING A PUBLIC DEFENDER BOARD.

Bryan Baron, Attorney, explained background on discussions leading to formation of this new board that will hire and oversee the Director of Public Defenders's office.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve resolution 37-2021 of the County Commissioners of Weber County establishing a Public Defender Board; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

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

3. APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH COOL COVERS FOR ROLLER SHADES TO BE INSTALLED ON THE OGDEN VALLEY BRANCH BOWERY.

Bryan Baron, Attorney (filling in for Lynnda Wangsgard, Library Director), explained need for shades in Bowery due to sun at certain times of day.

Commissioner Jenkins: Wonderful facility.

Commissioner Froerer:

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve contract with Cool Covers for roller shades to be installed on the Ogden Valley Branch bowery; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

4. APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH BML SERVICES FOR SITE AND BUILDING IMPROVEMENTS AT THE MAIN LIBRARY.

Bryan Baron, Attorney (filling in for Lynnda Wangsgard, Library Director), explained issues with vandalism of statue and retaining wall. This contract installs more lights and cameras to help prevent additional damage.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve a contract with BML Services for site and building improvements at the main library; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Froerer – ave; Commissioner Jenkins – ave; Chair Harvey – ave

H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None.

I. CLOSED SESSION

Request for a motion for a closed session to discuss pending or imminent litigation.

Commissioner Jenkins moved for a closed session at 10:47am to discuss pending or imminent litigation; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

J. ADJOURN

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn at 11:32 a.m.; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Commissioner Froerer – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Harvey – aye

Attest:

James H. Harvey, Chair Weber County Commission Ricky D. Hatch, CPA Weber County Clerk/Auditor

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