

**MINUTES  
OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY**

Tuesday, October 28, 2014 - 10:00 a.m.  
Commission Chambers, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, Utah

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**COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:** Kerry W. Gibson, Chair, Jan M. Zogmaister and Matthew G Bell.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; David C. Wilson, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the County Clerk/Auditor's Office, who took minutes.

**A. WELCOME** – Chair Gibson

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – James Ebert

**C. THOUGHT OF THE DAY** – Commissioner Zogmaister

**D. PRESENTATION OF THE 12<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' ANNUAL FALL CHARITY CLASSIC PROCEEDS**

Chair Gibson noted that the commissioners conduct this event to donate the proceeds to the community and this year's recipient is Cottages of Hope. Jeremy Botelho, with Cottages of Hope, said that they are a non-profit organization that focuses on helping individuals and households at/below poverty line to increase their income and better use the resources they have to stabilize their financial situation and be self sufficient. Chris Swaner, with Cottages of Hope, expressed gratitude to the commissioners for the funds, which will be used for a self-sufficiency pilot program. Commissioner Zogmaister has watched this organization and their work grow in the community and the good that they have done. She said that what they do goes beyond their organization; they are partners with so many other community organizations and the benefits come back to the entire community. Speaking to Mr. Swaner's character, Chair Gibson related the story of when he took the time to stop and speak with a very elderly lady one day as she weeded her flower garden. It happened to be Chair Gibson's grandmother who was grateful to have someone to talk to that day, and thereafter as he stopped to talk with her. She had fond memories of that kind man.

**E. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Ratify purchase orders for \$41,397.06 dated October 21, 2014
  2. Purchase orders for \$105,209.42
  3. Ratify warrants #31444 - #314624 for \$378,686.48 dated October 21, 2014
  4. Warrants #314625- #314856 for \$3,232,185.80.
  5. Interlocal Agreement with South Ogden City for Recycling Incentive Agreement – Contract C2014-211
  6. Request from County Operations for approval of Real Estate Disposition on Parcel #03-023-0023
  7. County Operations request for Real Estate Disposition on Parcel #25-030-0036
  8. County Operations request for Declaration of Parcels #03-007-0049 & 04-024-0002 as surplus properties
  9. Surplus office equipment from the Assessor's Office
  10. Retirement Agreements with the following:
    - Gwen K. Hadley – Contract C2014-212
    - Mark C. Lowther – Contract C2014-213
  11. Set public hearing for November 25, 2014, 6:00 p.m., to take input on the County 2015 Budget
- Commissioner Bell moved to approve the consent items as presented; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

**F. ACTION ITEMS:**

**1. RESOLUTION MAKING NEW APPOINTMENTS & REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE RAMP TAX ADVISORY BOARD, THE RAMP TAX ARTS AND MUSEUMS COMMITTEE AND THE RAMP TAX RECREATION AND PARKS COMMITTEE – RESOLUTION 27-2014**

Chair Gibson noted that this resolution is the follow-up to the discussion at the last Commission meeting and it contains the RAMP recommendations for individual assignments.

Commissioner Bell moved to adopt Resolution 27-2014 making the following RAMP appointments/reappointments, all effective October 1, 2014: Terry Schow to the Arts & Museum Committee for 3 years; Ryan Wilkinson and Maresha Bosgieter to the Recreation & Parks Committee for 3 years; reappointing Heather Carlson as chair of the Recreation & Parks Committee and also appointing her as Vice Chair of the Advisory Board for 3 years; reassigning Willard Maughn to the Recreation & Parks Committee for the remainder of his term; George Hall as chair of the Advisory Board for 1 year; and Margaret Naisbitt to the Arts & Museums Committee for the remaining of her term; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Bell .....	aye
Commissioner Zogmaister .....	aye
Chair Gibson .....	aye

**2. RESOLUTION MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE WEBER COUNTY JUSTICE COURT NOMINATING COMMISSION – RESOLUTION 28-2014**

Chair Gibson said that this resolution nominates David Wilson who is willing to serve on the Nominating Commission.

Commissioner Zogmaister moved to adopt Resolution 28-2014 appointing David C. Wilson to the Weber County Justice Court Nominating Commission; Commissioner Bell seconded.

Roll Call Vote:

Commissioner Bell .....	aye
Commissioner Zogmaister .....	aye
Chair Gibson .....	aye

**3. CONTRACT WITH THE EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK, LLC (ECN) FOR CODERED NEXT SERVICES – CONTRACT C2014-214**

Lance Peterson, of County Emergency Management, stated that for the past 1½ years there has been an effort to position the northern six counties into CodeRED (which purchased the county’s previous service provider, Citywatch). This contract replaces the existing Citywatch emergency notifications contract and consolidates the county’s emergency notification system. The contract services include land-based and cell phone public emergency reverse notifications as well as the FEMA IPAWS. The funding comes from a grant and Davis County is the purchasing agent.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve Contract C2014-214 with the Emergency Communications Network, LLC for CodeRED NEXT Services; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

4. **CONTRACT WITH JOSEPH FEDOR FOR A RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMPUTER PROGRAM – CONTRACT 2014-215**

Lance Peterson, of County Emergency Management, noted that about eight years ago the county wrote a computer resource management program and when the I.T. Department moved it to a new server recently it did work properly because it used deprecated code. This re-write is being paid for with a grant.

Commissioner Zogmaister moved to approve Contract C2014-215 with Joseph Fedor for a Resource Management Computer Program; Commissioner Bell seconded, all voting aye.

5. **APPROVAL OF THE WEBER COUNTY 2015 TENTATIVE BUDGET**

Scott Parke, County Comptroller, noted that budget summaries were available by the door and a detailed file will be on the county's website today. Some of the highlights included that the property tax revenue is anticipated to grow by about 1% (\$215,000) and sales tax revenue by about 4% (\$387,000). This is not as robust as the county would like, but given the continued sluggish pace of the economy no significant growth is expected for at least two more years. The county has allocated \$1.2 million to replace fleet vehicles, about \$15 million for continued construction of library facilities funded from bond proceeds, \$17 million for various transportation projects funded with transportation sales tax and also federal grants, \$7 million for continued flood mitigation efforts in western Weber County funded 75% by federal grants, and \$5 million for completion of the Summit Mountain Special Assessment Area funded from the 2013 Special Assessment bond. A merit and a 2% COLA has been tentatively approved for employees.

Commissioner Bell moved to approve the Weber County 2015 Tentative Budget; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

**G. PUBLIC HEARING**

1. Commissioner Zogmaister moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene the public hearing; Commissioner Bell seconded, all voting aye.

2. **PUBLIC HEARING ON THE WEBER HOUSING AUTHORITY 5-YEAR PLAN**

Andi Watkins, of Weber Housing Authority, stated that the Housing Authority's goals include promoting participant self sufficiency, improving quality of assisted housing, and implementing an Emergency Home Repair Program and enhancing staff professional development.

3. Public Comments:

Sheri Morreale, with the Department of Foreign Affairs/Valor House Homeless Shelter in Salt Lake City, referred to the need for Weber County to have a place such as Valor House, which is managed by the Utah Housing Authority to assist veterans. Valor House has about 72 homeless veterans and provides social workers and a psychologist to help them feel their worth, not like trash left out on the street, which is what is happening in our day. Valor House helps the veterans find housing, jobs, etc., and it is making an impact. Salt Lake made a pledge for no more homeless veterans in their county. She asked why Weber County doesn't do the same thing and provide a shelter for our veterans. Ms. Morreale stated that there are veterans returning from Afghanistan and Iraq that have all kinds of issues and nowhere to go. Building a homeless shelter for them can help get them off the street, get them back on track with civilian life and show we care about them.

Chair Gibson noted the Lantern House, a new homeless shelter being built in Weber County. He asked Ms. Morreale to give it some thought about whether there is a way to tie in the needs of our veterans as part of that project and if the facility itself needs to be a separate one. Ms. Morreale stated that it needs to be addressed separately because veterans have unique kinds of problems compared to the civilian population and the help for them is not there; the focus needs to be specific to veterans. She noted that the suicide rate among veterans is higher than among civilians. She is a triage nurse at the Ogden Rescue Mission and stated that the problems are very different.

Bob Hunter, with United Way, said that there are two related things occurring in Weber County and asked Ms. Morreale to leave her contact information so he could follow up on this item with her. He said that a very expensive homeless shelter, The Lantern House, is being built and his understanding is that some of the rooms are dedicated for veterans and there are case management opportunities for individualized assistance. He also referred to the Veterans Homeless Fellowship. Chair Gibson requested that Mr. Hunter reach out to Ms. Morreale and some of the veterans groups and Mr. Hunter stated that he would.

Commissioner Zogmaister, as chair of United Way and as chair of the Weber County Homeless Coordinating Council, expressed her appreciation of Ms. Morreale's comments and said that they are very aware of the need, and that Jeff King, Director of the Veterans Homeless Fellowship, continues to bring this to the forefront at every opportunity. Just as it has taken many years to get a veterans hospital in Weber County, it has taken a long time to get the focus on the needed resources. She said that the Lantern House has rooms set aside for veterans but we know that veterans have specific needs and they prefer to have those needs met by those resources directly related to their needs. There is additional federal funding (VASH vouchers) that is specific for veterans and for a 2-year period, thus they are searching for veterans and trying to get the word out to the community so they can get the resources into the hands of the veterans. It is important to keep this issue on the forefront and keep that focus on those who have served our country.

4. Commissioner Bell moved to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the public meeting; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.
5. **ACTION ON THE PUBLIC HEARING:** No action was needed.

**H. ASSIGN PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & THOUGHT OF THE DAY FOR TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2014, 10 A.M.**

**I. PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**I. ADJOURN**

Commissioner Bell moved to approve adjourn at 10:44 a.m.; Commissioner Zogmaister seconded, all voting aye.

Attest:

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Kerry W. Gibson, Chair  
Weber County Commission

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Ricky D. Hatch, CPA  
Weber County Clerk/Auditor