# **MINUTES WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION** Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 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: 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: Stacy Skeen
- C. INVOCATION: Kassi Bybee
- **D. THOUGHT OF THE DAY:** Commissioner Bolos: I was thinking what follows Thanksgiving and all of the holidays and festivities in the month of December, regardless of what you are celebrating. December is often referred to as the most wonderful time of the year. I think that is from the spirit of brotherhood and peace and care toward each other. I really think we should strive to do that all year long. Hopefully the 'most wonderful time of the year' will become that for the whole year in 2025.

# E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

# **F.** CONSENT ITEMS:

- 1. Warrants #103794-103828, #488007-488126 and #402-403 in the amount of \$2,133,394.15.
- 2. Purchase orders in the amount of \$95,532.20.
- 3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
- 4. New beer license.
- 5. Sell surplus property identified as Parcel Number 13-119-0019.
- 6. Surplus an Airport Hangar for Weber County Community Development.
- 7. Change Order #2 for the 12<sup>th</sup> Street Phase 4 Project.
- 8. Amended contract with Elite Productions to hold the RMPRA Winter Series Rodeo at the Golden Spike Event Center.
- 9. of Agreements by and between Weber County and the following individuals for Deputy Sheriff Basic Training:

Brylee Taylor	Kyle Kennington
Cody Titel	Kareem James
Joseph Pauli	Christian Hale
Breckston Havranek	Mike Gonzalez
Tyler Berg	Noah Beard
Cayden Charley	Obinna Nwakanma
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Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

# G. ACTION ITEMS:

# 1. APPROVE VISIT OGDEN'S 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN.

Sara Toliver (Visit Ogden President & CEO): (Full presentation with 2023 Annual Report available from this link).

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Visit Ogden's 2025 Strategic Plan; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

#### 2. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 54-2024 OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY APPOINTING TRUSTEES TO THE PLAIN CITY CEMETERY DISTRICT BOARD OF **TRUSTEES:**

Stacy Skeen (Commission Office): The Plain City Cemetery District has three positions expiring at the end of this month. Four applications were received with three applicants applying for reappointment to terms expiring in 2028.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Resolution 54-2024 of the County Commissioners of Weber County reappointing Ross Taylor, Joel Freestone, and Brent Weston to the Plain City Cemetery District Board of Trustees; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

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

#### 3. APPROVAL OF FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF WEBER COUNTY AMENDING CERTAIN FEES TO THE PEERY'S EGYPTIAN THEATER AND OGDEN ECCLES CONFERENCE CENTER.

Kassi Bybee (OECC & Peery's Egyptian Theater Director): Minor adjustments to fees that have not increased in several years; with costs increasing we felt it was time for minor adjustments. Increases range from \$5 for glow tape to \$200 for rentals.

Commissioner Froerer moved to approve the First Reading of an Ordinance amending certain fees to the Peery's Egyptian Theater and Ogden Eccles Conference Center; Commissioner Bolos seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

### 4. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH SALZBURGER ECHO TO SECURE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE 2025 HOF GERMANFEST.

Kassi Bybee (OECC & Peery's Egyptian Theater Director): Salzburger Echo has been with us for many vears.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with Salzburger Echo to secure entertainment for the 2025 HOF Germanfest; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

#### 5. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE CHARDON POLKA BAND TO SECURE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE 2025 HOF GERMANFEST.

Kassi Bybee (OECC & Peery's Egyptian Theater Director): This is a new band to our festival and they were recommended by Salzburger Echo.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with the Chardon Polka Band to secure entertainment for the 2025 HOF Germanfest; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

# 6. APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH B & B ALL-STARS BAND TO SECURE ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE 2025 HOF GERMANFEST.

Kassi Bybee (OECC & Peery's Egyptian Theater Director): B&B has been with us for many years.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with B & B All-Stars Band to secure entertainment for the 2025 HOF Germanfest; Commissioner Froerer seconded. Chair Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Commissioner Froerer – aye

# H. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: NONE.

- 1. Stall of Fame: Scott Parke from Clerk/Auditor's Office.
  - Ricky Hatch (County Clerk/Auditor): I like the expression that budgets are priorities expressed in dollar terminology. When we talk about the priorities of the County, those are evident through how we spend our money. There is an extensive budgeting process we go through to obtain input from the public, the departments, and others so we have a budget that aligns with the strategic principles and values that we have in the County. Once a budget is done, 99% of the world forgets about it. But there are people in place that ensure the budget is complied with and that people are spending within the budget. That is not a popular position to be in most of the time because sometimes departments may try to spend outside of the approved budget. So in this month's Stall of Fame, I want to thank 'bad guy' of the County, Scott Parke, the County Comptroller. There are several key contributions during his ten years with the County. He helped implement a new financial system which was a multi-year effort; he was the linchpin for that very complex process. He helped implement a new payroll, contract, and document management systems. One thing he did that will benefit the County and taxpayers for decades is proposed, refined,

and developed adjustments to what was a Cadillac retirement plan that saved taxpayers \$25M. He helped establish and fund the Capital Projects Program and the Building improvement Fund. He helped manage the distribution of multiple funds including the CARE Act, ARPA, Opioid funds. He almost single-handedly implemented new financial reporting software that resulted in better and more efficiently generated financial reports. He streamlined the budgeting process through the use of a new budgeting software package. The Governmental Accounting Standards Board, who helps establish accounting principles for governments across the country, wanted to revise the Revenue Recognition standard which is a huge, multi-year process. They assembled a task force with 10 members nationwide and Scott Parke is one of those members. He is highly respected across the country, certainly across the state and within the County. He really is the heart of the County as far as maintaining priorities and ensuring compliance and proper use of taxpayer dollars.

- 2. Chair Harvey: I have known four Comptrollers and you continue to elevate, make great suggestions, and our financial position is improving under your watchful eye. We appreciate you for what you have done.
- 3. Commissioner Bolos: For a nonelected official, Scott takes more political heat than anybody in the County. He is an incredible accountant and great asset.
- 4. Commissioner Froerer: Our main job as Commissioners is the protection and best use of taxpayer dollars. And we could not do that without Scott Parke. You can always depend on him to be accurate, informative and to tell it like it is.

# I. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 10:48 am.; Commissioner Froerer 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