

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

on **Monday, July 31, 2023, 10:00 to 10:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**, at the Commission
Conference Room #365, 2380 Washington Blvd, Ste. #360, Ogden, UT and on Zoom
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89898574373?pwd=Wi9MTU0rcVNqUUVVMVINZkc5TTA0Zz09>
Meeting ID: 898 9857 4373, Passcode: 890615

Members present: Commissioner Gage Froerer, Commissioner Jim Harvey, Commissioner Sharon Bolos

Discussion and/or action for approval of minutes for the Commission Work Sessions held on July 17, 2023.

Commissioner Bolos made a motion to approve the minutes from the Commission Work Session held on July 17, 2023. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. All say Aye. The motion carries.

Discussion regarding Ogden Airport CRA – Brandan Quinney, Stephanie Russell, Steffani Ebert, Roger Brunker
Meeting was canceled.

BREAK RETURN AT 2:30 P.M.

Discussion regarding Update on Attorney Budget – Chris Crockett, Chris Allred, Branden Miles, Sarah Swan, Scott Parke

*There were issues with the audio during this meeting.

Due to the fact that the Attorney General has raised their wages and other counties have reacted and increased their wages, Weber County needs to update the attorney's wages. Chris Allred discussed that with the increase in wages in other counties, etc., they are beginning to lose attorneys and have not been able to hire a new attorney, even if they are just out of Law School, at a competitive wage. Commissioner Froerer would like them to see what they could cut out of their budget as he would like to look at doing a onetime provision. Scott Parke stated there is \$315,000.00 that they could use now. The Commissioners agree to the wage increase and are hoping to come up with a solution, but due to inflation, etc. the only recourse may be Truth and Taxation.

Discussion regarding Inland Port Authority Resolution – Stephanie Russell, Sean Wilkinson, Brandan Quinney, Chris Crockett, Steven Smith, Lynn Meyer, Scott Linford, Ben Hart

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Stephanie Russell discussed the Inland Port for West Weber on the south side of the tracks, which is about 1,000 acres. Brandan Quinney discussed a resolution that both parties would sign that requests the Utah Inland Port Authority adopt a certain area into their project area and then adopt a project area plan for those parcels that the Commission would select. This resolution is basically to start a conversation and to commence work on a plan for the Inland Port. This will be presented at a Commissioner meeting for the Commissioners to vote on.

Discussion regarding 3300 S 3500 W rezone (Rick Scadden) – Steve Burton, Rick Grover, Sean Wilkinson, Liam Keogh, Gary Myers, Rick Scadden

Steve Burton discussed the rezone application for 3300 S 3500 W in West Haven. This application has been put on hold due to West Haven annexing the area. Rick Scadden presented a 64 townhome project with commercial to the Commissioners. He has worked out where the roads will be and what style they would like to do the townhomes in. He presented this to the Commissioners for their opinions and would like to move forward with the County versus trying to move forward with West Haven. The Commissioners discussed the project and the roads and suggested he present this to the Planning Commission and move forward with their project.

Second Quarter Financial Update and Budget Changes – Scott Parke, Ricky Hatch, Steffani Ebert, John Bond, Chris Crockett, Jared Smith, Sean Wilkinson

Scott Parke presented the 2nd quarter 2023 financial review and budget changes. He discussed the sales tax is lower than it has been in previous years and the compensation history of Weber County's employees since 2021. The wages for the employees are low even with the increases they have done since 2021 because of inflation. He went over different scenarios to what the Commissioners can do to compensate the employees. He discussed that even Social Security has done an 8.7% increase, and suggested they consider using that percentage as a guideline. One good thing is that the Commissioners have saved money throughout the past few years, which will help with add to the funds for each department. There are ways to trim and cut so they won't have to do a huge tax increase. The Commissioners will decide on whether it's a no or a go on Truth and Taxation by mid-August, but decided not to agree on how much right now. This will allow every department to go through their budget cycle and allow the Commission to make a more thorough decision.

There is a Department Head meeting tomorrow, and Scott Parke will present the same presentation at that meeting. He will also ask them to breakdown their budget and find out which services they are providing makes money or if it doesn't, then ask why they need to keep doing that service. The Commissioners liked this idea.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Bolos seconded the motion. All say Aye. The motion carries.