

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

on **Monday, October 30, 2023, 12:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.**, at the Commission Conference
Room #365, 2380 Washington Blvd, Ste. #360, Ogden, UT and on Zoom

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Meeting ID: 898 9857 4373, Passcode: 890615

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

Discussion and/or action for approval of minutes for the Commission Work Sessions held on October 9, 2023 and October 16, 2023

Commissioner Bolos made a motion to approve the minutes for October 9, 2023 and October 16, 2023. Commissioner Harvey seconded the motion. All say Aye. The motion carries.

Discussion regarding the 2023 Budget Change and 3rd Quarter Financial Results – Scott Parke, Ricky Hatch, Steffani Ebert, Jessika Clark

Scott Parke discussed meeting individually with the Commissioners regarding the 2023 Budget changes due to the work session being canceled on 10/23/23. He discussed the 3rd quarter financial results. He spoke about how the unemployment rate has risen to 3.1% and how the cost to have employees is now 5% versus 6% in previous years. Inflation has been going down, but is now going back up with the cost of wages, fuel, insurance, etc. The Feds will continue to raise the interest rates, which will continue to put a burden on the economy. They don't anticipate a large increase in the number of transactions being recorded at the Surveyor's office with property tax growth, etc. Sales tax is also down. He is hoping to see a 3% growth in 2024. He also discussed supply chain issues, hiring issues, current expenses, etc. He also discussed the enterprise funds, including the Transfer Station, animal shelter, and garage expenses.

Discussion regarding Fairways Drive Extension Design Contract – Sean Wilkinson, Gary Myers, Jason Horne, Brooke Stewart, Ashley Thoman

Ashley Thoman discussed they have been given a grant from WACOG to extend Fairways Drive up to Powder Mountain. They are in the process of completing the design and putting it out to bid. They would like to use the engineering firm that did the preliminary work to finish the project as this will save money as the work is still relevant to the job. He proposes Weber County enters into a contract with Gardner Engineering to complete this work. Jason Horne stated it is in the best interest for the County to contract Gardner Engineering financially as to put the contract out to bid would be double the money. They will make this request at a County Commission meeting for the Commissioners to vote on.

Sheriff's Office Update – Sheriff Arbon

Sheriff Arbon discussed upcoming events, including a Teletown Hall and a jail tour regarding the jail bond. He was also asked to do a presentation to Mayor Cutler from Uintah and his city council and staff. They support the jail bond. He discussed getting the information out regarding the jail bond, etc. He also discussed the morale of the employees at the Sheriff's Department as being the best it's been in a long time and is excited about the new recruits coming from the Police Academy.

Commissioner Harvey made a motion to saunter until 3:00 p.m. Commissioner Bolos seconded the motion. All say Aye. The motion carries.

Discussion on granting a culinary water well protection easement – Scott Mendoza, Sean Wilkinson, Courtlan Erickson

Commissioner Harvey left due to another meeting and excused himself.

Scott Mendoza discussed that homeowner, Timothy Boyle, who has a home two miles up from Old Snow Basin Road, has a culinary water well that has gone completely dry. Mr. Boyle has found another location for another well, but it is partly on his property and partly on the road. He has also been working with the Weber Morgan Health Department. He would like to make a future request from the Weber County Commission for a well protection zone easement. This easement would be with the Health Department and not Timothy Boyle. The Health Department did send Scott Mendoza a letter from 2012 showing they have done this before for a person in Huntsville whose well was near the road. This stated Weber County would grant the easement, but would maintain the road and would not be responsible for any adverse impacts to the well. The Commissioners agreed and would like Courtlan Erickson to write Timothy Boyle a similar letter stating that Weber County would not be responsible for any adverse impacts if he dug a well near the road. He will do that and present it to the Commissioners.

Adjourn

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