MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION
Tuesday, July 7th, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.
at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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WEBER COUNTY COMMISSIONERS: Gage Froerer**,** James "Jim" H. Harvey, and Sharon Bolos
STAFF PRESENT: Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Liam Keogh, of the Attorney's Office; and Craig D. Brandt, of the County Clerk/Auditor's office, who took minutes.

A. WELCOME: Chair Froerer
B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: All in attendance were invited to recite the Pledge**.**
C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE: Courtlan Erickson
D. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS: None.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT:
1. Craig Call (Secretary, Ogden Valley Land Trust): My comment is for Consent Item F7 that would approve motorized vehicles on the easement shared with Weber County as joint stewards. We recommend your approval. We appreciate our long-standing relationship with the County and Powder Mountain to preserve this very remarkable and significant piece of open space. I encourage your approval for the temporary motorized access through the easement.

F. CONSENT ITEMS:
1. Purchase orders in the amount of $82,050.19.
2. Warrants #108505-108545 and #497195-497277 and #542 in the amount of $1,284,781.72.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Agreement with Utah Youth Rodeo Association (UYRA) to host and sponsor the UYRA Finals saddle during the 2026 Weber County Fair.
5. Agreement with Tyson Plastow to perform a review of the Internal Audit workpapers and report for the Animal Services Chameleon Data engagement.
    a. Commissioner Bolos: This is an independent third party who will review an audit of Weber County Animal Services. There were several submissions on the County's fraud hotline with unsubstantiated concerns about the shelter. Anticipating skepticism on that internal audit, the Audit Committee approved using taxpayer dollars to pay for this external review of the audit.
6. Memorandum of Understanding with Midtown Community Health Center to improve continuity of care for individuals with substance use disorders who are incarcerated in the Weber County Jail transitioning back into the community.
7. Temporary agreement with SMHG Landco LLC/Powder Mountain to allow for temporary motorized vehicle access over and through a conservation easement recorded as entry #3206574.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Harvey seconded with comment to thank Gary Myers for getting the Right of Ways across the finish line.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

G. ACTION ITEMS:
1. **CANVAS FOR THE 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION**
    a. **MOTION TO ADJOURN THE PUBLIC MEETING AND CONVENE A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS.**

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene as a Board of Canvassers, 10:09 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

    b. **BOARD OF CANVASSERS- CERTIFY THE RESULTS OF THE 2026 PRIMARY ELECTION.**

Lauren Shafer (Elections Director): Lauren Shafer (Elections Director): Today we are canvassing for the 2026 Primary Election. The following are results for Weber County elections:

- Ballot Dispositions:
    - Voter Turnout: 37.8% of registered voters participated.
    - Ballots Counted: 27,216 ballots were counted out of 77,116 mailed.
    - 42 Provisional ballots – all were able to be counted
    - Rejected Ballots: 386 ballots were not counted
        - 193 ballots were returned too late.

- 73 did not have signatures that matched their record
- 77 had an unsigned envelope
- 4 had an empty envelope
- 3 were signed by someone other than the voter
- 36 had SSN's or DL digits that did not match the voter record

- Race Winners:
  - DEM Utah State Senate District 5: "CJ" Christina Hernandez (1,891 votes)
  - REP U.S. House District 2: Blake D. Moore (13,505 votes)
  - REP U.S. House District 3: Celeste Maloy (56 votes)
  - REP County Commissioner Seat A: Duane D Kearlsey (7,301 votes)
  - REP County Commissioner Seat B: Jon D. Beesley (13,043 votes)
- Please note: These results are specific to Weber County. Multi-county candidates may have different results district-wide depending on results from other counties within the district.

Ricky Hatch (Weber County Clerk/Auditor): I would add that on the summary page under the 'By Mail Ballot' summary, you see the ballots mailed to voters was 77,116. Then up at the very top, Active Registered Voters, you see 71,944, which means we mailed more ballots than there are active registered voters, which would be a huge red flag. But the number of active registered voters is determined by the State and it's determined at a period prior to Election Day and voters are still allowed to register to vote after number is determined by the State. We can't update that State number. So the additional voters were sourced from two things: 1. Voters who registered after that deadline, and 2. Voters who contacted us requesting a replacement ballot for various reasons. And we send those ballots out. That's why the ballots mailed to voters exceeds the number of active registered voters.

Commissioner Harvey moved to declare, accept, and certify the Results of the 2026 Primary Election; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

c. **ADJOURN THE BOARD OF CANVASSERS AND RECONVENE THE PUBLIC HEARING**

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the Board of Canvassers and reconvene public meeting, 10:17 am; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

2. **APPROVE THE AGREEMENT WITH DHHS FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MEDICAID 1115 WAIVER AT THE WEBER COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.**

Laura Andelin (Corrections): Today I'm requesting approval to enter into a contract with the Utah Department of Health and Human Services for a total of $353,050 Federal Planning and Implementation grant that supports the state's Medicaid justice involved re-entry initiative. This funding is made available through the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services under section 206 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act and will run from July 1st, 2026 through June 30th of 2027. The primary purpose of this grant is to help Weber County implementation for audit purposes and ensuring all grant expenditures comply with federal and state requirements. This is an excellent opportunity to leverage federal funding to strengthen our re-entry infrastructure, improve coordination between corrections, healthcare, and community providers, and support successful implementation of Utah's Medicaid re-entry demonstration while reducing long-term reliance on local funding. I respectfully request the commission's approval of the contract.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the agreement with DHHS for the implementation of the Medicaid 1115 Waiver at the Weber County Correctional Facility; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

3. **HELD: APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH METRO ELEVATOR FOR REVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR SERVICES BETWEEN THE OGDEN ECCLES CONFERENCE CENTER AND PEERY'S EGYPTIAN THEATER FOR A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS.**

   Kassi Bybee (OECC Director): *HELD.*

   This item was held.

4. **HELD: APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE LICENSING COMPANY FOR A PROFESSIONAL PRODUCTION OF THE OSMONDS: A NEW MUSICAL, JULY 20 – AUGUST 27, 2026.**

   Kassi Bybee (OECC Director): *HELD.*

   This item was held.

H. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 10:17 am.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos - aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair
Weber County Commission

Ricky D. Hatch, CPA
Weber Country Clerk/Auditor