MINUTES
WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION
Tuesday, October 6th, 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 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: Sean Wilkinson
D. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS:

1. Commissioner Harvey: I appreciate Mr. Wilkinson's thoughts related to the family in Riverdale that has now lost four of their five children. And also to the Call family who lost their mother in that tragic wheelchair accident coming across the intersection in North Ogden. That was just unbelievable. And they've handled that very well, too. And on a lighter note, go up to Pine View, take a walk around because you'll never be able to walk around in Pine View Reservoir again in your lifetime like that. But it was great. I saw an original map of Swineville and foundations and the stairs of the houses that were there and the names of the people who owned the homes.

2. Chair Froerer: It's terrible when we have those tragedies. It's nice to remember that we're all here for each other and we give the best to those families. As I mentioned to some earlier this today, they had a paralyzed veterans bike ride up in Ogden Valley. I stopped by and met with some of the individuals through Adaptive Sports. It's great to see those people that served our country that because of their service they're now in wheelchairs. They have great hearts. I've asked our staff as we recognize veterans on November 10th that we make a special reach out to the paralyzed veterans. We've never recognized them individually previously. With your permission, Commissioners, I'd like to include them on our November 10th Veteran's recognition. It's a great group of people that belong to the national organization, Paralyzed Veterans of America. The Western United States representative actually lives in Huntsville; he was special forces in Hawaii and became paralyzed. It's a good opportunity for us to recognize those in our community that have served and have really dedicated their lives to Weber County and United States.

3. October Stall of Fame: Tiffany Snider
   Rick Grover (Planning Director) It's not often you have an employee return after they went to another position. It was kind of cool to get Tiffany Snider back. She has been amazing. She was amazing when she was first in our department. She would jump in and start doing tasks above and beyond the call of duty. With her qualifications, I knew we would not have her in that capacity for long. I was happy for her when the Economic Development position opened but we were sad to lose her. Then the Planning position opened up and we were able to get her back. She is just excelling at it and we are grateful to he Commission for making it possible to get her back into Planning where she is totally qualified.

   Commissioner Bolos: Not only is Tiffany bright and really understands what she does but she is incredibly nice. Thank you for everything you do for the County.

   Commissioner Harvey: She has a wonderful smile. We're lucky to have you. Many of you when you were younger saw Raiders of the Lost Ark and Indiana Jones. Knowing what her hobbies are, I picture Tiffany as a girl Indiana Jones. For those of you who don't know Tiffany, she likes rocks and those expeditions that have excavation involved. It's really cool.

   Chair Froerer: I had the opportunity to work with Tiffany when she was in Economic Development. I think she's capable of doing anything she sets her mind to do. I know that her work ethic, her involvement with the business community, what she did with the government relations side and making contacts for us at the legislature as well as business outreach, really elevated our economic development department to a level we hadn't seen before. I hated losing her as she is a shining star. She epitomizes what we see in great employees.

Tiffany Snider: Thank you, commissioners. I do want to also extend my gratitude for creating the position in planning so my heart could go home. I'd like to thank Rick as well and all of the planning staff who have always been gracious and helpful and patient beyond words with all of my numerous questions. I appreciate this, thank you.

E. PUBLIC COMMENT: NONE.

F. CONSENT ITEMS:

1. Purchase orders in the amount of $145,727.49.
2. Warrants #109363-109424, #498451-498541 in the amount of $1,340,418.50.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for meetings held on September 22nd and 29th, 2026.
5. New business license.
6. Amendment on the contract with Medici Land Governance providing a discount on historical document scans.
7. Deputy Basic Training Reimbursement Agreement with Noah Horne.
8. Application with Lincoln Financial Group for Short-term Disability, Long-term Disability, and Life Insurance.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Bolos seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

G. ACTION ITEMS:

1. **APPROVE RESOLUTION 39-2026 APPOINTMENTS AND REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE RAMP TAX ADVISORY BOARD, THE ARTS & MUSEUMS COMMITTEE AND THE RECREATION & PARKS COMMITTEE.**

Shelly Halacy (Executive Coordinator, Weber County Commission Office): We lost some of our very best ramp participants with Kevin, Ernie, and Corey all leaving us. So, today we're going to replace some of them and move some people around. Wendy Douglas, Johanna Droubay, and Michelle Tait are appointed to serve a term on the Arts and Museums Committee. Their appointments will begin October 6th of 2026. and end on September 30th of 2029. Jim Craig is appointed to serve as Chair of the Advisory Board. Bret Holmes is appointed to serve as the Chair of the Recreation and Parks committee. And Dana Gibson is appointed to serve as the Chair of the Arts and Museums committee. These appointments will begin on October 6th and end September 30th of 2027. Sylvia Newman and Mary Jo Boylan will continue serving on the Arts and Museums committee while also being appointed to the Advisory Board. Zachary Thomas will continue to serve on the Recreation and Parks committee while also being appointed to the Advisory Board. And Kevin Burns will be appointed as a non- voting adviser and his term will begin October 6th and end September 30th of 2027. And also as a reminder, because of the difference in the amount of applications received between Arts and Museums and Recreation and Parks, we've increased our Arts and Museums committee to six and decreased the Recreation and Parks committee to four.

Commissioner Bolos: I appreciate the recommendations. I know that the Board looked at all the applications. We received a lot of applications, which is great that there's so much interest in serving with RAMP. Thanks for your work on that, Shelly.

Commissioner Harvey: I don't think people really appreciate Shelly's impact. She's kind of the mother of RAMP. She's been here since the inception of the RAMP program. And over $80 million that the people voted for Weber County to fund RAMP. People in Weber County overwhelmingly approved the extra tax sales tax so that we could put investment back into our recreation, arts, and parks and our community. Shelly has really helped with. So, I'd like to just take a moment and have the audience here give Shelly a round of applause.

Chair Froerer: Well deserved. I agree with you. That is a big job and not a lot of kudos from the community out there even though those dollars are spread throughout Weber County and a lot of people are touched by that service in their day-to-day recreation and arts experiences. Great job.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve Resolution 39-2026 appointing and reappointing to the RAMP Tax Advisory Board, the Arts & Museums Committee and the Recreation & Parks Committee; Commissioner Harvey seconded.
Roll Call Vote: Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – excused; Commissioner Bolos – aye

2. **APPROVE AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN WEBER COUNTY AND CACHE COUNTY FOR SERVICES IN THE POWDER MOUNTAIN AREA.**

Sean Wilkinson (Community Development Director): This interlocal agreement covers land use services in 5200 acres in the Powder Mountain area. Previously there were two interlocals, now superseded, for the same services. Weber County will act as the land use authority but will not have legislative authority. Cache County has a master plan land use plan in place which Weber County will follow. Services will include Planning and development, building inspections and plan reviews, engineering, business licensing, surveying, and addressing services. There is no public infrastructure; those services will be provided by the districts that have that oversight. Cache County cannot charge fees for services Weber County will provide. Cache County will not pay Weber County directly. Fees will be in place with Powder Mountain to make sure the County is whole in this agreement, so we are not subsidizing anything in Cache County. There will be a separate agreement with Powder Mountain to cover this. And Weber County will not approve any development on the Cache County side of Powder Mountain until the agreement is in place. Weber County will notice Cache County of any public meetings or public hearings being held in Cache County. Cache County is responsible for noticing its own citizens. If this agreement is not followed but State code for noticing is followed, an application submitted by Powder Mountain cannot be challenged. Weber County shall not provide services not listed in this agreement. Weber County will provide a similar level of service to what is currently provided for other developments in Weber County. Weber County will provide a quarterly report to Cache County regarding the development at Powder Mountain. Cache County has approved 977.75 units as reflected in their Master Plan conditional use permit. Weber County will ensure that is followed and that no additional density is approved by us. If additional density is requested, Cache County will approve and this agreement will be amended. This is a 20 year agreement with required written notice for early termination.

Brook Hontz (Powder Mountain Chief Development & Construction Officer): I was surprised that Weber County continued to provide the services in the main and only point of access and yet there wasn't an interlocal in place except for the two that Sean referenced. I think it is important we're at this point and I really appreciate the effort of both Counties considering and hopefully Weber County considering and adopting this interlocal. From a land owner and project perspective, we really consider this as one entity and the way that it works on the ground physically is obviously very different than it works politically. We absolutely are looking for your support today. We love, and most days and they may not say the same about us, working with your staff with their thoroughness and diligence. Being able to have all of the applications related to land use, planning, engineering, etc. coming through one entity and having that ability to have that cohesive and collaborative approach from your own internal teams I think will add a lot of value to the County and your knowledge base and your ability to deliver on those services. There is a cumulative positive financial benefit or fiscal benefit for Weber County. The ongoing access up state highway 158 and Powder Mountain Road provides us with the ability to service our resort and our project through Weber County. You heard today about your RAMP program. This project will continue to boost RAMP revenues, diners and restaurants, nightly lodging, all of those things that you get the benefit of here in Weber County. We really appreciate your support and consideration of the interlocal as it's just continuing to drive home the ability for us to deliver on this resort and this development project. Thank you.

Commissioner Harvey: One of the great things that Powder Mountain affords this county exclusively is tourism. We continue to lead the state in percentage of tourism. Most people don't appreciate that because they only hear of Park City and Washington County but we do very well with our tourism because it's so diversified. We have success because of locations like Nordic Valley, Snow Basin, and Powder Mountain. Powder Mountain brings us a very diversified clientele who will only have access down into Weber County. And their clientele have a spend-per-day much higher than do most others. So our tourism will benefit greatly because of this. However, I've always been taught government shouldn't stand in the way of a development because of a boundary line. Developers don't care where the boundary line is between Ogden

City and Washington Terrace or between West Haven and Roy. They just want their project to be successful. Sometimes we as governments, especially when we get territorial, we get hung up. And that's not right. Weber County has always exhibited, since I've been here, a very collaborative approach to making sure that everybody has the chance to succeed or we find a way to say yes. We do it sometimes at the expense of not cutting the best deal we could ever get. This has been hard for me because I don't know that this is the best deal we could have gotten. But it's probably the best we're going to get. And the byproduct of all the other things mentioned, not just from tourism tax, but also property tax, will benefit the residents of Weber County. When we hear about 'nimbyisms' and shutting the door, shutting the gate, one of the encouraging things, especially with this new ownership, is while there is some privatization, there's still, with the original contract negotiated more than a dozen years ago, there are more skiable acre terrain than there once was. It may not be in the exact same area, but there's more. Powder Mountain's given more. There are, I think, 30 more miles of trails developed that weren't promised. There are of great public benefit to the people of Weber County. And we will enjoy all that public benefit because Cache County doesn't want a road going down to their side. I agree, I appreciate trusted partnerships and I think there's more to do. This will benefit Weber County. It will benefit the workers in Weber County eventually.

Chair Froerer: The relationships between Weber County and Powder Mountain go back a way. 12 years or 13 years ago, an agreement was signed with a different ownership group. I spoke against that agreement to the Commission. I was in the House of Representatives at that time. I questioned the wisdom of that agreement. As I came into the Commission and ownership changed and we looked at the history, it wasn't always a smooth ride. There were some bumps in the road. But with this agreement and with the new ownership and the improvements that have been made, I think all the citizens in northern Utah that have access to that resort will benefit, even though there are some private sides of that access. I agree with Commissioner Harvey. I think it's a great ski area. The issue is the current limited access into that resort and I hope it will change eventually. I think Weber County is well positioned to serve the needs of Powder Mountain and what they want to do up there, that benefits Weber County directly with TRT tax etc. I think we also created a relationship with our neighboring Cache County that comes with negotiating in good faith. I understand we were hoping for more of that. But at the end of the day, I want to be clear, this agreement will not be finalized until we approve the financial outcome of that contract; if we don't do that, the contract goes away. Today we are approving this interlocal subject to the financial agreement that would take place to make sure that Weber County is made whole plus some as we look at the future and supplying these services to Powder Mountain. Sean and his team have done a great job in putting that together. There are other issues that we will be hopefully dealing with Powder Mountain over the next few months as we look at the closure of that agreement that took place 12 or 13 years ago, to make sure that the public's on firm ground, the county's on firm ground, and Powder Mountain's on firm ground. There shouldn't be a lot of guesswork or controversy going forward.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve an interlocal agreement between Weber County and Cache County for services in the Powder Mountain area, contingent on approval of financial agreement ensuring Weber County is made whole supplying these services to Powder Mountain; Chair Froerer seconded.
Chair Froerer – aye; Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye

H. ADJOURN

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 10:40 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