

Minutes of the Commission Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Carbon County, State of Utah, held Wednesday, October 16, 2024 in the Commission Room of the Administration Building, Price, Utah, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Those present: Casey Hopes, Commission Chair
Tony Martines, Commissioner – by phone
Larry Jensen, Commissioner

Also present: Lyn Hansen, Deputy Attorney
Geni Hawk, Commission Secretary
Seth Marsing, Clerk/Auditor
Lori Perez, Chief Deputy Clerk
Kellie Payne, HR Director
Jeff Wood, Sheriff

Commissioner Martines is traveling home from the Idaho National Labs in conjunction with the San Rafael Energy Research Center and attended the meeting by phone.

1) **Approval of Minutes**

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve the October 2, 2024 Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

2) **Consideration and possible approval of funds for Neighbor to Neighbor Disaster Response kit project**

Commissioner Hopes said Tiana Peacock is a candidate for Miss Carbon County and has been working with local agencies on this project. The local agencies think it's a great idea and she wants to move forward with this project.

Commissioner Jensen said this project would provide a packet of colored signs for each home that can be placed in a homeowner's front window to alert emergency response teams on how or if response is needed by the homeowner. The cost estimate for the project is around \$3,000. Commissioner Jensen checked with Justin Needles with our Emergency Services Department and he said he could fund \$1,500 from an emergency grant to help with the project.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve \$1,500 to help with this project. This project would help our community. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

3) **Open sealed bids for mini van – Senior Center – Rebecca Taylor**

Commissioner Hopes said the Senior Center has two mini vans used to transport Seniors as well as being used by employees. Both have high miles and one needs to be replaced.

Seth said no bids were received.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to allow Director Rebecca Taylor and Commissioner Hopes to find, select and purchase a van new or used. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

4) **Open sealed bids for Ford F-150 half ton truck – Tina Grange, Office of Tourism**

Seth said two bids were received.

Price Ford	2024 Ford F150 XLT	\$53,999
	2024 Ford F150 Lariat	\$62,958

Bid includes a tract fold cover with both of them

Auto Farm 2024 Ram 1500 Big Horn	\$47,032
2022 Ford F150 XLT	\$45,735
2023 Ford F150 XLT	\$47,325

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to acknowledge the bids from Price Ford and Auto Farm and allow Tina, Shanny and Commissioner Hopes to review and decide. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

5) **Open sealed bids for side by side – Tina Grange**

Seth said two bids were received:

Jorgensen Power Sports – Richfield, Utah – Ranger Crew XP1000 North Star	\$29,994
Rocky Mountain ATV – Helper, Utah – 2025 Polaris Ranger XP1000 North Star	\$38,900

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to acknowledge the bids from Jorgensen Power Sports and Rocky Mountain ATV and authorize Tina, Shanny and Commissioner Hopes to make a choice. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hopes said the idea behind the truck and the side by side is because we have a lot of trails needing maintenance. Tina said the bidding was for the side by side and funding will come from the OHV grant. The trailer cost is low enough that we did not have to get bids. The side by side is what we needed bids on. Commissioner Hopes said it is being paid for by a grant and the match money is coming from tourism. Tina said the match is just over \$4,000 in cash matching and the rest is in-kind including volunteer hours for doing trail maintenance and inventory work.

Commissioner Hopes asked for an explanation for getting the ATV for tourism. Tina said over the last three years we have not had a trails committee and have received a lot of feedback from our user groups that there is a need for trail maintenance. A lot of the signs that were used several years ago are now missing or damaged. We hired a trail coordinator this year that will help put planning in place. The first thing we need to do is drive and ride those trails and see which ones need maintenance or rerouting. A lot of the trails are along roads that the Road Department can get to but others are only accessible by an ATV. The side by side will allow those areas to be visited in order to assess and manage.

6) **Consideration and possible approval of carbon County Trails Committee Board**

Commissioner Hopes said we are organizing and formalizing a trails committee to do trail work and initiate the building of new trails. We are asking for a five-member board and we have eleven applicants. Commissioner Hopes read each name on the applications and each is for different parts of the trails committee including hiking, biking, OHV, rock crawling and other user groups.

David Gurule – Hiking, Mountain Biking
Dale Maxfield – OHV/ATV
David Black – Mountain Biking
Jill Allred – Rock Crawling, Off Road
Kevin Brassaw – Hiking, Biking and Equestrian
Lynna Topolovec – Hiking, Mountain Biking, Walking
Karl Ingwell – Hiking, Mountain Biking
Jade Powell – Hiking, OHV/ATV
Oran Stainbrook – Hiking, Mountain Biking
Ryan Keele – Hiking, Climbing, Boulderling, OHV/ATV
Peter Kilbourne – Hiking, Mountain Biking, Climbing, Boulderling
Daniel Hawley – Hiking, Mountain Biking, Rock Climbing

These are the applicants and we need to select five of them for the committee. Daniel Hawley is leading the effort and needs to be one of the five. Commissioner Hopes asked for any suggestions of who to choose.

Commissioner Martines said he appreciates the show of interest for the trails committee. Commissioner Jensen said a committee went through a selection process so that there was someone chosen from each of the different areas.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to appoint Dan Hawley, Dale Maxfield for OHV/ATV, David Black for Mountain Biking, Jill Allred for Rock Crawling and Off Road, and Ryan Keele for Hiking, Climbing, Bouldering. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried. Commissioner Jensen said there could be more people added to this committee in the future but it would require a change in the bylaws.

Commissioner Hopes said Tina will be contacting them and letters need to go out. He thanked all who applied. We have quite a few county boards which are important in order to receive input on how to make things better for our communities.

7) **Consideration and possible support of land exchange between private property owner and the Division of Wildlife Resources – Chris Wood, Regional Supervisor**

Chris Wood, Regional Supervisor for the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, said he is here seeking support for a land exchange. They own a piece of land on Railroad Avenue in Price that was used as their main office for many years. In the last 25+ years it has been a storage facility. It sits next to a business who also owns land next to their newer office on Carbonville Road. They have been in discussion with this business owner for a land exchange. They both feel this would benefit both of them. They want to trade 1.25 acres on Railroad Avenue for .9 acres on Carbonville Road next to their regional office. If this trade happens, that landowner will have more acres on Railroad Avenue to expand his business and the Division of Wildlife Resources on Carbonville Road will be able to relocate everything right next to the regional office. The other owner would still maintain some street front property on Carbonville Road which is currently an old gas station and restaurant.

Chris said that anytime the State buys, sells or trades land it has to go to the governor's office for final approval. The governor's office always asks if the County has been notified and if they have any concerns. This is why Chris is here today, to answer any questions.

Commissioner Jensen said he is familiar with both properties and this is a wise move for both. Commissioner Martines said he has no questions or concerns and appreciates Chris coming and explaining the exchange.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve a letter of support for the Division of Wildlife Resources for this land exchange and authorize Commissioner Hopes to sign it. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried. (Commission Secretary, Geni had the letter of support ready. It was signed by Commissioner Hopes and given to Chris Wood.)

8) **Ratification of the contract agreement between Carbon County and TSJ Construction, LLC for the Carbon County Regional Airport AIP Project #3-49-0026-023-2024**

Commissioner Hopes said this agreement is for the maintenance hangar project. We needed to get the Notice to Proceed contract signed so TSJ Construction could get to work on the project.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to ratify the agreement between Carbon County and TSJ Construction, LLC for the Carbon County Regional Airport AIP Project #3-49-0026-023-2024. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

9) Adjourn as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners and convene as the Carbon County Board of Equalization

Commissioner Martines made a motion to adjourn as the Carbon County Commission and convene as the Carbon County Board of Equalization. Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried

10) Consideration and possible approval of assessor-initiated adjustments

Commissioner Hopes said we have three sections ready for approval but one section does not have any items listed in it.

The first section is the stipulations that both Keven and Assessor Bishop have agreed to. There are 113 parcels in this section.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve section one of the BOE adjustments which includes 113 parcels. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Hopes said that the last section is for the assessor-initiated adjustments. The assessor has the ability to start the BOE process if he sees an error on a property. This is one of those. This is for parcel #01-1756-0002.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve the assessor-initiated adjustment on parcel 01-1756-0002. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

11) Adjourn as Carbon County Board of Equalization and reconvene as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Martines made a motion to adjourn as the Carbon County Board of Equalization and reconvene as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

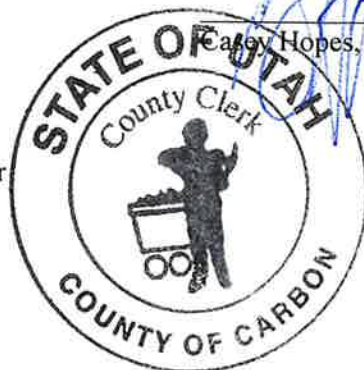
12) Review and approval of departmental reports

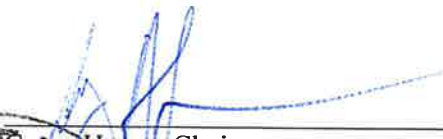
Commissioner Jensen made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

ATTEST:


Seth Marsing, County Clerk/Auditor




Casey Hopes, Chairman