

**Apr 8, 2025**

# Tax Advisory Board Meeting

Attending: Larry Jensen Timothy Riley Krystal Noyes Amy Anderson  
Barbie Haeck Mayor Helper Shanny Wilson Mequelle Woodruff William Hicks  
Tina Grange Layne Miller Tina Grange Scottie Draper Amy Anderson Doug Miller  
Nancy Elkins

## Summary

The meeting covered city event updates (Lenise Peterman, Layne Miller, & Bill Juber) CERC updates (Kourtney Cox), USU Eastern initiatives (Doug Miller), and public art grant allocations (Tina Grange). The remaining \$7,600 in grant funds were allocated equally amongst five municipalities, the county event center, and USU Eastern to support existing events; future discussions will focus on wayfinding projects, the Cottonwood Glenn site, and Nine Mile Canyon signage, with a June 6th meeting scheduled regarding the Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Trail.

## Details

- **Meeting Start and Roll Call:** The meeting began at 4:00 p.m. with Mequelle Woodruff leading the roll call. Two individuals, Tim and Krystal, were absent but showed up shortly after the start of the meeting Scottie Draper & Amy Anderson joining via Google Meet.
- **Minutes Approval:** The meeting minutes were approved with minor changes suggested by Barbie Heck and will be corrected by Tina Grange with a new copy to be emailed to Mequelle for Chair signature
- **Motion to approve with changes:** by Barbie Haeck
- **Second:** by Lenise Peterman
- **Motion carries**

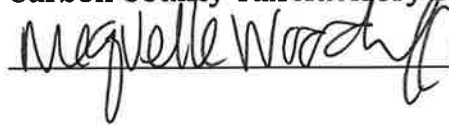
- **City Updates:** Lenise Peterman provided updates on upcoming city events, including softball and baseball schedules, Vibes events, First Friday, and a public forum regarding a potential merger of Main Street America and the Helper Arts Festival
- Layne Miller: Renaissance Fair was highlighted, along with details about upcoming musical events, including a Fleetwood Mac tribute band and an ABBA cover band. Nine Mile Canyon trips were also mentioned as a successful tourism initiative.
- Bill Juber informed the group of the Wellington City Easter Egg hunt this Saturday to start at 10:00 a.m. sharp.
- East Carbon not present
- **CERC Update:** Kourtney ~~Fox~~ <sup>Cox MN</sup> provided updates on events including the Drunks Wash Grand Prix, Easter egg hunts, and upcoming spring and summer sports registrations. Information was shared about the successful rodeo sponsorship, the county fair, and plans for a car show and Monster Truck Militia event. A partnership with Janie Campbell's community service program was also discussed as a way to reduce maintenance costs at the event center as well as their grant application for the T Mobile Hometown Grant to hopefully fund some of the other needs of the North Springs. <sup>Drunkards MN</sup>
- **USU Eastern Initiatives:** Doug Miller shared updates on USU Eastern initiatives, including a successful program encouraging student spending at local restaurants, the "Friends of Eastern" donor-funded transportation program, and upcoming events such as the USU Eastern Extravaganza and NIKA mountain biking races. He also mentioned plans for a future fund request.
- **Public Art Grant Recipients:** Tina Grange announced the recipients of the public art grants, including Helper Brewing LLC, the Boys and Girls Club, and Alexandra Fuller. Renderings of the planned projects were shown. **Leftover Public Arts Grant Funding:** The group discussed how to allocate approximately \$7,600 in leftover funds from the public art grants. Concerns were raised regarding fairness and transparency in the allocation process.
- **Allocation of Leftover Funds:** A motion was made and passed to distribute the remaining funds equally amongst five municipalities, the county event center, and USU Eastern (\$1,000 each) ([00:43:34](#)). They decided to allocate the funds to support already established events.

- **Motion** by Tim Riley
- **Second** by Lenise Peterman
- **Motion Carries**
- **Other Items for Discussion: Wayfinding Projects and Cottonwood Glenn Site:**  
Discussion ensued regarding wayfinding projects in Price and Wellington, with a note that reserve funds could be used. Additionally, the group discussed the Cottonwood Glenn site, its history, and its future use. The county has been asked to determine the site's significance and potential improvements needed. The group discussed the need for new signage in Nine Mile Canyon, and Tim Riley & Layne Miller mentioned the upcoming Buffalo Soldiers Heritage Trail and a related meeting on June 6th.
- **Meeting Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m
- **Motion** by Kami McManus
- **Second** by Mequelle Woodruff
- **Motion Carries**

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:**

These meeting minutes are approved by a majority vote of the Carbon County Tax Advisory Board, dated this 13 day of May, 2025.

**Carbon County Tax Advisory Board Chair**



Mequelle Woodruff, 2025 Chair

**Suggested next steps**

- ☒ Tina Grange will revise the meeting minutes to reflect the discussed changes.
- ☒ Tina Grange will contact the municipalities and University and ask them to send invoices for the \$1,000 event donation leftover from the Public Art Grant.

