COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

MAY 12, 2025

The regular meeting of the Juab County Commission was held May 12, 2025, 10:00 a.m. in the Juab County Commission Chambers, 160 North Main, Nephi, Utah.

Marty Palmer ----- Commissioner

Marvin Kenison ----- Commissioner

Clinton Painter ------ Commissioner

Perry Davis ----- Attorney

Tanielle Callaway------Clerk/Auditor

Others present: Myrna Trauntvein, John Crippen, Barbara Bradford, Anitra Cornish, Landon Rowley, Brett Ostler, Thomas Peterson, Nancy Strickland, Diane Lund, Lynn Ingram, Scott Sorenson, Heather Williams-Young, Jake Hadfield, Douglas Anderson, Scott Chamberlain, Travis Kenison, Melanie Cowan

Chairman Kenison welcomed all in attendance. Chairman Kenison offered a word of prayer. Commissioner Marty Palmer led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes from April 21, 2025, with one change on page three, top paragraph, putting in the number that was left blank.

Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Painter wanted to take a moment to announce that the Juab County Search & Rescue Organization was honored at the Big Hearts and Helping Hands Event last week as the Volunteer Organization of the year for Juab County.

Barbara Bradford came before the Commission representing the East Juab County Water Conservancy District. In past Commission meetings, the Commission has signed a letter recognizing the names of members of their board. They need to have the Commission recognize publicly and put in the meeting minutes that the board follows the guidelines set forth by the little manual that was written by the State of Utah for local and special service districts, and that the board follows those guidelines with the responsibilities and adheres to those guidelines. The chairman of the board of directors, who is currently Duran Kay, has the authority to speak and sign for the district. Chairman Kenison thanked Ms. Bradford for all the work she does for the water district.

Anitra Cornish came before the Commission representing her aunt and uncle, Brian and Connie Arnold. Their house is currently on the tax sale list. She stated they reside in Eureka, and she is here to request their home be removed from the tax sale and a payment plan be put in place. Chairman Kenison inquired the amount that was owing. Tanielle Callaway pulled up the records. There are two parcels. The first parcel is \$6,026.37 and the second parcel is \$762.54, with a total owing of \$6,788.91. Ms. Cornish stated she is taking over their finances and work

on getting their bills paid. She plans on moving in the home with them to assist in taking care of them. Chairman Kenison inquired what she thought she could do a month. Ms. Cornish stated she thought she could do \$500 a month. Commissioner Painter stated she would need to do at least \$566 a month in order to pay them off in a year. Ms. Cornish stated she could do that. Commissioner Palmer stated she would still be delinquent because that does not include the current taxes. Commissioner Palmer asked Melanie Cowan what her thoughts were. Ms. Cowan stated there has been no communication and no efforts made on paying taxes. She stated she would okay with her paying the \$566, as well as the current year taxes, so they are no longer delinquent. Ms. Cornish stated that would work. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve a payment of \$566 a month, plus the current taxes. Ms. Cowan asked if there was a date that would work. Ms. Cornish stated after the 5th. Ms. Cowan stated she would list payment by the 10th of each month. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Heather Williams-Young appeared before the Commission to get their signature on a letter regarding her VOCA grant. The letter is regarding the contract for grant funding. The letter is an acknowledgement regarding any new conditions or requirements from DOJ on the grant. Ms. Williams-Young also advised the Commission that they would be holding their groundbreaking on May 19th. She stated the Commission should have received an invitation to be part of the groundbreaking ceremony. Commissioner Painter made a motion to authorize the Commission Chair to sign the letter. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion to ratify the signing of the quit claim deed to the Friends of the Children's Justice Center. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Ms. Williams-Young also stated the Friends of the CJC applied for a grant through the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for \$150,000 and they were awarded the grant. They are excited to begin their building. Commissioner Painter made a motion to waive the property taxes for the property the quit claim deed was signed for this tax year. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Landon Rowley, Thomas Peterson and Brett Ostler from the State of Utah to address the hiring of a new fire warden for Juab County. Mr. Rowley is the Fire Management Officer for Central Utah. Mr. Rowley stated their office is working on getting a contract in place. He printed a draft document for the Commission to review. Commissioner Painter inquired if this is the document that previously was handled through the fire district. Mr. Rowley discussed the process for getting a new fire warden in place. He stated they would keep the county in the loop on the process. They are just wanting the county's authorization to proceed with the hiring process.

Mr. Rowley discussed how the reimbursement works from the state level. Commissioner Painter made a motion to continue moving forward with the HR process for hiring a fire warden for Juab County. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Lisa Woodland came before the Commission at the request of Commissioner Palmer. He attended a meeting where she made a presentation on the Bolder Way Forward Initiative. She did a presentation and provided information on the statewide initiative.

The Sheriff's Office had several items of discussion on the agenda. Lt. Scott Sorenson first discussed the need for some new cameras in the jail. He stated their current company is nearly impossible to get a response to fix or address any issues they have. They have been looking at a different company. They went through the same contractor the school district and the hospital uses currently for their cameras. He received a quote for \$6,175 for three cameras. They are also looking at a screen for monitoring the cameras. The amount for the screen is \$1,800. They will replace the cameras as they go down, as they could not do them all at once. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the camera and monitor purchase for \$7,975, pending they have the funds in their budget. Lt. Sorenson stated they do have the funds in their budget. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Sheriff Doug Anderson next requested the Commission consider the hiring of a nurse in their jail. They currently have a contract physician with Dr. Tubbs. With that service, it provides a periodic onsite PA to see the inmates. They are requesting funding for an onsite nurse who would provide direct oversight. Sheriff Anderson stated they are the only jail without an onsite nurse. He discussed the concerns and issues for not having this position. Sheriff Anderson discussed they have been approved for the housing of 11 additional state inmates and what would be required for this to be put in place. Mr. Crippen discussed some numbers he ran to fund this position and possibly revenue. Lt. Sorenson discussed some requirements that need to be put in place for housing more inmates. Commissioner Palmer stated he would like more information and made a motion to table the matter pending further information. Lt. Sorenson stated they will be meeting with the state on May 21st at noon if the Commission would like to attend. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Lt. Travis Kenison stated they have previously signed the BLM and Forest Service Contracts, but need to get that ratified. Commissioner Painter made a motion to ratify the signing of those contracts. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Lynn Ingram, along with Nancy Strickland, Diane Lund and Scott Chamberlain, with Utah State Trust Lands appeared before the Commission. Mr. Ingram asked Ms. Strickland to come back and do another presentation as they are at a crossroads and need the Commission to make some decisions moving forward. Ms. Strickland did a presentation regarding county roads on trust lands. There are 56 miles of county roads that need permanent easement documents. Ms. Strickland prepares the easement documents. The County would need to hire a surveyor to complete the descriptions. To help fund the cost of completing this project, they recommend the County request funds through the CIB. They earmark funds to complete county road easement projects. Ms. Strickland stated they needed to list the project on the

capital improvement project list. Commissioner Painter stated the commission approved the list last commission meeting, and this project was not on there.

Ms. Stickland inquired when the next cycle would be where they could add it. Commissioner Painter indicated they would need to speak with Shay Morrison from R6 and get that information. Ms. Strickland stated if that did not happen until next year, that would be fine. They are not under a crunch with the timeframe. They are trying to be proactive in getting the easements completed. Mr. Ingram confirmed once easements were in place they would stay in place if the property is sold. Ms. Strickland confirmed this. Mr. Ingram stated he went out and looked at the roads and he believes the county is interested in securing the right of ways for these roads. Ms. Strickland presented a map showing the roads needing the easements. Commissioner Painter inquired if they were RS2477 roads. Ms. Strickland explained the roads and the difference. Commissioner Painter inquired what the county needed to do in order to move forward. Ms. Strickland stated the county just needs to add the project to the capital improvement list and complete the CIB application.

Mr. Ingram asked some questions to clarify getting on the capital improvement list with CIB. Ms. Strickland stated she can help with getting the application completed and the needed documents. Commissioner Palmer thanked them for the information and their time. Mr. Ingram inquired if the Commissioners needed to make a motion to move forward. Commissioner Painter made a motion to move forward with the Trust Lands Project for the road right of ways. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Mr. Ingram next discussed the BLM agreement with County Canyon Road that needed the Commission signature. He stated Attorney Davis has reviewed the agreement. The county has signed them in the past. Last year, the county approved seven agreements. They have to be renewed. Mr. Ingram stated the agreement is not different from what they have done in the past and he recommended they sign the contract. Mr. Ingram left a copy of the map in the Commissioners mailboxes. He described the roads on the map. He discussed the Ash Grove Road that they are no longer using and what needed to happen. Attorney Davis recommended signing the contract. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to sign the BLM County Canyon Road Agreement. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Mr. Ingram stated that Earl Lewis is retiring from the Road Department out on the West Deseret. They would like to start to advertise to replace this position, as it could take some time. Commissioner Palmer stated that Barbara Mumm was indicated there are a couple of individuals who are interested in applying for this position.

Other Business:

Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the Juab County bills as presented.

Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

John Crippen had several personnel action forms for new employees. The first is to replace Earl Lewis and post that position. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the personnel action form for the road department. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Mr. Crippen stated the next forms were for the EMS and were three volunteers and one PRN. One of them is Mr. Crippen's son. He is doing medical school and this helps him achieve his needed hours. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the personnel action forms for the EMS department. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Mr. Crippen stated the last two forms were for longevity increases. They are for Misty Hope with five years and Chris Wilkey with 20 years. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the longevity raises. Commissioner Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Mr. Crippen stated the item for the easement for the water station at the fairgrounds has already been taken care of.

The county has received an alcohol permit for the Stetson Wright Rodeo from Cody's Gastro Garage. Commissioner Painter inquired if everything looked correct to Attorney Davis. He stated we ask that they provide a background check conducted by BCI. The one they submitted is from Santaquin City. They discussed the difference and if that was acceptable. Commissioner Painter told them what they had completed previously was acceptable. Commissioner Palmer felt it was sufficient. Commissioner Painter made a motion to approve the alcohol permit and approve the local county consent letter and authorize the Chair to sign. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Painter made a motion to adjourn the open meeting and move to the Closed Session for contractual and personnel. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Kenison called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, "Aye." Commissioner Painter voted, "Yes." Chairman Kenison voted, "Yes."

Meeting adjourned.

Tanielle Callaway

Juab County Clerk/Auditor

APPROVED:

Marvin Kenison
Commission Chair