

**MINUTES
OF THE KANE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING
June 10, 2025 at 10:00 AM
IN THE KANE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS,
76 NORTH MAIN, KANAB, UTAH**

Present: Chair Celeste Meyeres, Commissioner Patty Kubeja, Commissioner Gwen Brown, Attorney Jeff Stott, Sheriff Tracy Glover, Clerk/Auditor Chameill Lamb, Deputy Clerk/Auditor Candice Brown

Also Present: Janette Peatross, Keiren Chatterley, Taylor Glover, Camberly Anderson, Morgan Shakespear, Rhonda Gant, and Devin Reed

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Commissioner Meyeres

WELCOME: Commissioner Meyeres

INVOCATION: Drew Chamberlain

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Pat Guerrero

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Check Edit Report: May 28, 2025-\$764,237.11

Motion to approve the Check Edit Report and the Commission Meeting Minutes for May 19, 2025 and May 27, 2025 and Ordinance 2025-18 made by Commissioner Brown and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

REGULAR SESSION:

1. Kane County Ordinance No. O 2025-20 an Ordinance Amending the Term Length for Board Members of the Kane County Economic Opportunity Board / Commissioner Meyeres

Commissioner Meyeres stated that initially our ordinance that we thought was in compliance with the state code, which called for a 2-year term, but it is now a 4-year term. This ordinance will put us compliant with state code.

Motion to adopt Ordinance 2025-20 making the term length 4 years instead of 2 years made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

2. Public Hearing Regarding the Board Appointments of Alan Seilhammer to the CEO Board and Camberly Anderson, Kim Blake, Robin Coleman, LaRisa Edwards, Patty Kubeja, Kyler Ludwig, and Morgan Shakespear to the Kane County America250 Board

Commissioner Meyeres opened it up for public hearing.

No public comment.

Commissioner Meyeres closed public hearing.

3. Kane County Resolution No. R 2025-15 a Resolution Appointing Alan Seilhammer to the Kane County Economic Opportunity Board / Commissioner Meyeres

Motion to adopt Resolution No. R 2025-15 appointing Alan Seilhammer to the Kane County Economic Opportunity Board with the term ending December 31, 2028 made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

4. Kane County Resolution No. R 2025-16 a Resolution Appointing Camberly Anderson, Kane County Office of Tourism; Kim Blake, Kane County School District; Robin Coleman, Kanab Elementary School; LaRisa Edwards, TRT/Restaurant; Patty Kubeja, Kane County Commissioner; Kyler Ludwig, Kanab City; and Morgan Shakespear, Volunteer; to the Kane County America250 Board / Commissioner Kubeja

Motion to approve Kane County Resolution R 2025-16 a Resolution Appointing Camberly Anderson, Kane County Office of Tourism; Kim Blake, Kane County School District; Robin Coleman, Kanab Elementary School; LaRisa Edwards, TRT/Restaurant; Patty Kubeja, Kane County Commissioner; Kyler Ludwig, Kanab City; and Morgan Shakespear, Volunteer; to be on the Kane County America250 Board made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

5. Discuss/Approve Vehicle Emergency Response Agreement Between Kanab City and Kane County / Full Commission

Attorney Stott mentioned that this agreement allows Kanab City Fire Department to respond to vehicle emergency fires or any other vehicle emergency that requires fire fighting skills and certified equipment.

Motion to approve the Vehicle Emergency Response Agreement between Kanab City and Kane County made by Commissioner Brown and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

6. Discuss/Approve Structural Fire Response Waiver of Liability Agreement with Kanab City and Kane County / Full Commission

Attorney Stott stated that as the county has created the Vermillion Cliffs Special Service District and as they are expanding the Church Wells Special Service District, there are still a few properties that aren't receiving fire protection services. While the county moves forward in figuring out how to get fire protection services for everyone, we would like something in place to make sure that Kanab City Fire can respond if they choose to.

There needs to be some changes to the agreement that Attorney Stott will make. It will then get sent to Kanab City to get their input and then we will put it back on the commission agenda for approval.

7. Discuss/Vote on Resolution No. R 2025-17 a Resolution Appointing J. Shea Owens as the Kane County Justice Court Judge / Full Commission

This resolution is selecting J. Shea Owens as the candidate that the commission is choosing to send to the judicial committee that will officially confirm or appoint. On the resolution the word "appointing" will be taken off and be replaced with "selecting" and the June 6, 2025 date will be taken off.

Motion to approve Resolution No R 2025-17 a resolution selecting J. Shea Owens as the Kane County Justice Court Judge with the amendments as described made by Commissioner Brown and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

8. Discuss/Approve Kane County Resolution No. R 2025-18 a Resolution Giving Notice of Intent to Annex Certain Territory into the Church Wells Special Service District for Fire Protection Services Only / Commissioner Kubeja

Motion to approve Kane County Resolution No. R 2025-18 a resolution giving Notice of Intent to annex certain territories into the Church Wells Special Service District for fire protection services only as presented in the legal description with a public hearing set for Tuesday, July 22 at 6 pm in the Commission Chambers at 76 N. Main made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

The territory involves Powell Springs, Clark Bench, and Paria.

9. Approval of the Pelorus Financial Software Contract / Commissioner Meyeres

Devin Reed stated that they have been exploring options to replace our current financial software, which is long overdue. Our current software was purchased in 2005. They have evaluated several different alternatives and they are recommending that they purchase Pelorus Methods.

Motion to approve the Pelorus Financial Software Contract as presented made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

10. Approval for Matching the Co-op Marketing Grant for the Office of Tourism / Commissioner Kubeja

Commissioner Kubeja stated that for many years the Office of Tourism has applied for and gotten a grant. It is over \$50K so it is supposed to have full commission approval. The grant allows us to do some more marketing and this year the max ask got changed to \$225K.

Janette said with the grant there are stipulations that 70% has to be spent out of state and that the match they have to make just comes out of their budget.

Motion to approve the Matching Co-op Marketing Grant from the State of Utah Office of Tourism for our Office of Tourism in the amount of \$225K made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

11. Discuss/Approve 6th District Court Security Contract with Utah State / Commissioner Kubeja

Sheriff Glover said this is a District Court Security Contract for bailiff services and court security. It is a contract between the sheriff and the Administrative Office of the Courts and is over \$50K. He said with the new court security model and plan it has increased from around \$2,900 to \$5,677 per month.

Motion to approve the 6th District Court Security Contract with Utah State for the period of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026 as presented in the amount of \$68,124 is what the county will be paid for their services rendered to the state made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

12. Approval of the Tax Rates for 2025 / Full Commission

Chameill presented the 2025 tax rates for Kane County.

Motion to approve the Tax Rates for 2025 made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

Commissioner Brown-aye
Commissioner Kubeja-aye
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

13. Review of Legislative Issues / Full Commission

Commissioner Meyeres stated that they have identified their priorities for the rest of the interim session, which starts June 17th as well as the legislative session that will start January 2026.

- 1) Address the preliminary municipality statute.
- 2) Adjust some of the trust lands policies regarding when ranching and grazing land is set to be change to another use.
- 3) Streamlining Title 17 of the State Code, which has to do with counties.

14. Commissioner Report on Assignments / Full Commission

Commissioner Kubeja

- Had a great PRCA rodeo
- Cedar Mountain annual meeting
- Commissioners toured the Community Outreach Building

Commissioner Meyeres

- If you are not receiving the email the county sends out every week with updates, she encourages you to sign up
- Congresswoman Maloy was able to end the blockage to recreational use on 24-miles of the National Recreation Area
- All three commissioners met with the Forest Service and the DNR to talk about a fire pre-season coordinating brief
- Roger Brooks came and toured the county, held a workshop, and will be back in the next few weeks to give advice on potential OHV/ATV destination

Commissioner Brown

- Excited about decision on the new Justice Court Judge
- Bid opening for fire study will be held today
- Haven't heard anything new about the Preliminary Municipality Willow, it is still waiting for their feasibility study

Sheriff Glover gave an update on the Kaneplex and Buildings and Grounds.

Motion to adjourn at 11:35 A.M. made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all Commissioners present voting in favor.

WHERE UPON MEETING WAS ADJOURNED


Celeste Meyeres Chair
Chameill Lamb Clerk/Auditor