

**MINUTES  
OF THE KANE COUNTY  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' MEETING  
September 30, 2025 at 10:00 AM  
IN THE KANE COUNTY COMMISSION CHAMBERS,  
76 NORTH MAIN, KANAB, UTAH**

Commissioner Attendance: Chair Celeste Meyeres, Commissioner Patty Kubeja, and  
Commissioner Gwen Brown

Other County Officials in Attendance: Clerk/Auditor Chameill Lamb, Sheriff Tracy Glover,  
Rhonda Gant, Shannon McBride, Keiren Chatterley, Taylor Glover

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Commissioner Meyeres

**WELCOME:** Commissioner Meyeres

**INVOCATION:** Kevin McLaws

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Drew Chamberlain

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No public comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Check Edit Report: September 17, 2025-\$803,333.85 and September 25, 2025-\$133,728.54

**Motion** to accept the Check Edit Reports for September 17, 2025-\$803,333.85 and September 25, 2025-\$133,728.54 as well as the approval of the Commission Meeting Minutes for September 16, 2025 made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

**REGULAR SESSION:**

- 1. Presentation from the Kane County Soil Conservation District / Commissioner Brown**

Tyce Palmer presented on the Kane County Soil Conservation highlighting some of the projects that happened in our district.

**2. Presentation from the USU Extension Office / Commissioner Brown**

Elizabeth Davis gave a presentation on the USU Extension Office and some of the things they have done throughout the year.

**3. Update from Jenna Corry and Kylie Shepard on the Kane County Coalition/Kane County Youth Coalition / Commissioner Kubeja**

Item tabled.

**4. Public Hearing Regarding the Agricultural Protection Area (Item #5)**

Commissioner Meyeres opened up the public hearing.

John Reese spoke in favor of the AG Protection zone.

Commissioner Meyeres closed the public hearing.

**5. Agricultural Protection Area/Jacob Benson-Accept, Accept and Modify, or Reject a Proposal for an Agricultural Protection Area Based on Reports from the Planning Commission and the Agricultural Advisory Board / Commissioner Brown**

Shannon said the applicant is applying to have their 34.83 acres be an agricultural protection area. Right now, they are zoned Agriculture and will continue to use the agriculture use. They graze sheep and would like continue to do that and that way if someone came in and did a subdivision by them, they would be protected. She said that she is supposed to look over what the extent and nature of the existing farm improvements are and stated that the applicants have put a water pipeline in and they spray the scotch thistle, which is considered a noxious weed in Utah and they want to continue this use. Planning & Zoning looked over everything and recommend that the commission approve this.

**Motion** to approve the Agriculture Protection Area for Jacob Benson as presented and based upon the reports from the Planning Commission and the AG Advisory Board made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

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

**6. Discuss/Approve 2026 Insurance Renewal Costs with Possible Contract Changes / Commissioner Brown**

Rhonda and Tricia gave an overview of the 2026 insurance renewal costs. They said that with CIGNA to keep everything the same there would be a 25% increase per family, which would make it around \$3,800 per family and that would be for what we have right now. PEHP came in with a competitive quote that would cost around \$2,600 per family, which is about 2.63% less than we are paying right now and the benefits are the same except the formulary for the meds is different.

**Motion** to approve PEHP as the provider starting 2026, staying with New York Life for 2026, and with the admin fee increase on dental and the increase for COBRA made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

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

**7. Kane County Resolution No. R 2025-29 a Resolution Giving Notice of Intent to Annex Additional Adjacent Properties into the ZMLS District for the Purposes of Wastewater, Water, Fire, and Parks and Recreation Services / Commissioner Kubeja**

Commissioner Kubeja stated that they were sent a resolution that was passed by the Zion Mountain Local Service District requesting that there be an expansion to their boundaries. She said that there are a few things that need to be changed on the county resolution and after the changes are made Attorney Stott will look it over and makes sure everything is correct.

**Motion** to approve Kane County Resolution R 2025-29 a Resolution giving Notice of Intent to annex additional adjacent properties into the Zion Mountain Local Service District for the purposes of wastewater, water, fire, and parks and recreation services with the caveat that it is based upon the approval of our attorneys review of our resolution making sure it complies with the Service District 17B rules made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

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

**8. 2025 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Town of Big Water and Kane County for Structural Fire Protection / Full Commission**

**Motion** to approve the 2025 Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the Town of Big Water and Kane County for structural fire protection and response on the highway as presented made by Commissioner Kubeja and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

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

#### **9. Review of Legislative Issues / Full Commission**

Commissioner Meyeres mentioned that they have not changed their priorities or objectives for the 2026 legislative session.

#### **10. Commissioner Report on Assignments / Full Commission**

Commissioner Kubeja

- Old Folks Day is on Wednesday, October 1
- The RMPRA Rodeo will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>
- If the government shuts down the Office of Tourism will be closed on Wednesday and Thursday
- Visitor Center in Big Water is open and has been busy
- The Kanab Center staff received a Certification of Appreciation

Commissioner Brown

- With the Preliminary Municipality they are still working on the feasibility study

Commissioner Meyeres

- Spoke with Bart Battista at Best Friends and they have ordered the ability to pump port-a-potties that would be on their land at the Kanab Sand Caves parking lot
- Offered letter of support for the county to receive the Big Water Visitor Center as an interagency transfer from the BLM
- The commissioners went on a BLM range tour
- North Rim is partially re-opening
- Federal Senator John Curtis is working on a bipartisan bill for forest health

Commissioner Meyeres closed Commission Meeting and went into the Board of Equalization Meeting.

#### **11. Board of Equalization**

### **A. Approval of Board of Equalization Adjustments**

Chameill presented the Board of Equalization adjustments that were made saying that overall, there were 224 appeals filed.

**Motion** to accept the appeals decisions by the hearing officer for the ones that Chameill has brought before them made by Commissioner Brown and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

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

### **B. Approval of Abatements and Credits**

Chameill presented the abatements stating that there were four that came in late. Three of the four applications were late due to medical reasons and the fourth one didn't provide a reason as to why they were late.

**Motion** to accept the three late applications that provided a reason for their tardiness made by Commissioner Meyeres and motion carried with Commissioner Meyeres and Commissioner Brown voting aye and Commissioner Kubeja voting nay.

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


**Motion** to approve the Abatements and Credits as outlined by Chameill made by Commissioner Brown and motion carried with all commissioners present voting in favor.

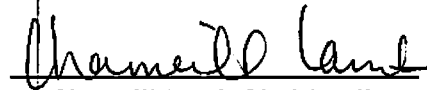
Commissioner Brown-aye  
Commissioner Kubeja-aye  
Commissioner Meyeres-aye

Commissioner Meyeres called them back into Commission Meeting.

**Motion** to adjourn at 12:08 P.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