Minutes of the Commission Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Carbon County, State of Utah, held Wednesday, October 1, 2025 in the Commission Room of the Administration Building, Price, Utah, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Those present: Larry Jensen, Commission Chair

Jared Haddock, Commissioner Tony Martines, Commissioner

Also present:

Lyn Hansen, Deputy Attorney

Geni Hawk, Commission Secretary Seth Marsing, Clerk/Auditor Lori Perez, Chief Deputy Clerk Kellie Payne, HR Director

Adam Cox, Deputy

Commissioner Jensen welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 1) Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Haddock made a motion to approve the September 3, 2025 Commission Meeting minutes. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve the September 17, 2025. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

## 2) <u>Presentation of Huntsman At Home suggested expansion of providing mobile cancer treatments to local residents - Angie Fausett</u>

Angie Fausett is the nurse practitioner for Huntsman at Home. She introduced Chris Wade who is the case manager. They have been operating Huntsman at Home since July 2021. They take care of Huntsman cancer patients in Carbon, Emery and Grand counties. They help manage symptoms in the home and doing things above and beyond what insurance will pay for and try to keep patients out of the hospital.

They were the recent recipients of the ARPAH grant. ARPAH is a department of Health and Human Services. It is called a paradigm grant which will bring a mobile clinic to Carbon, Emery and Grand counties starting November 2026. They will be able to start to administer chemotherapy, immunotherapy, trials, imaging and labs. In the meantime, they will continue to operate Huntsman at Home as normal. She and Chris make home visits and stay as proactive as possible. So far it has gone pretty well.

Chris said it is an exciting program that will be helpful to a lot of patients. Some patients will skip treatments during the winter because they do not want to travel in the canyon in the icy conditions and it is expensive. When this program is up and running to its fullest capacity, it will be incredible to bring the help directly to the patient in their homes or to their community. This will fill a gap in our communities.

Angie added that they partnered with local providers and Castleview Hospital. It is a collaborative program and it doesn't work without the entire community working together.

Commissioner Jensen thanked them for their presentation and for the very valuable resource for many people for the treatment of cancer. He thanked them for their service and presentation.

#### 3) Presentation from the State of Utah, Division of Outdoor Recreation - Wade Allinson

Commissioner Martines made a motion to table the State of Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation presentation. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

#### 4) RC Solar project presentation by rPlus Energies - Antonio Resta

Commissioner Martines said they called and could not make it. It will be moved to November.

# 5) Consideration and possible approval of Real Estate Purchase Agreement Amendment 1 to purchase Parcels 2A-0980-0000, 2A-0975-0000 and 2A-0872-0000 from Carbon County by the State of Utah Department of Natural Resources Division of Wildlife Resources- Kate Richardson

Commissioner Jensen said this item is a continuation. The Division of Wildlife Resources has a large parcel of property west of town in the Consumers area that they purchased quite a few years ago. There are small parcels that were once in the Consumers townsite. Carbon County has three small parcels, .07 acres, .04 for another and one that is 1.18 acres. The Division is wanting to purchase not only the County properties but any other private properties in that area. They have reached out to everyone and have tried to agree to make these purchases. The original agreement was for \$3,000 for one parcel. With these additional parcels their offer is \$77,400. These parcels are useless to us. They are right in the middle of their Wildlife Management Area.

Commissioner Haddock feels that this is a fair offer. He made a motion to approve the Real Estate Purchase of parcels 2A-0980-0000, 2A-0975-0000 and 2A-0872-0000. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

## 6) Ratification of a Memorandum of Understanding with Family Support Centers of Utah (FSCU) and Carbon County - Shelley Wright

Shelley said this is to continue to operate with the Family Support of Utah. We have received additional funding this fiscal year and are excited about that. We will continue to operate the Family Support Center. There is an addendum which gives details about what they are contracted to do and the additional funding.

Commissioner Martines thanked Shelley and he knows that her funding is different than other departments. It has been tightened over time and every dollar counts. He thanked Shelley for managing the funding.

Commissioner Jensen said a lot of these contracts are sent under a DocuSign and are required to be signed online. The MOU was discussed and addressed. He also thanked Shelley for her hard work.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to ratify the Memorandum of Understanding for the Family Support Centers of Utah and Carbon County. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

### 7) <u>Ratification of Local Government Contract No. 261315 between Carbon County and Jones & DeMille Engineering, Inc. regarding Fairgrounds Road in Carbon County</u>

Commissioner Jensen said the Federal Highway program offers grants to the State, County and cities. Over two years ago we applied for help to rebuild the road between Fairgrounds Road and Westwood Boulevard. In that process we hired Jones & DeMille to engineer that project in conjunction with the Utah Department of Transportation. This is a ratification of the agreement with Jones and DeMille. When there is federal money involved there are a lot of steps to complete. They fund 93% and the County matches at 7% of that. It is a helpful way to fund a project. We will not be able to do the entire project but only up to the canal. It is possible that the Road Department can finish the rest on their own after this part is completed.

Commissioner Martines said this process was started before any announcements were made towards potential growth on Fairgrounds Road. This is not in any correlation with any new growth, it was started first with a need being recognized a couple of years ago.

Commissioner Haddock made a motion to ratify the Local Government Contract No. 261315 between Carbon County and Jones & DeMille Engineering. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

## 8) <u>Ratification of updated Sublease Agreement by and between Carbon Resources, LLC and Coal Energy Group 3, LLC</u>

Commissioner Jensen said in 2017 Carbon County entered into a lease agreement with Carbon Resources, LLC. This company is out of Pueblo, Colorado that leased the coal resource owned by Carbon County in the previous Columbine and Kinney mines. This is the mine just north of the town of Scofield. Carbon Resources has the lease with Carbon County for a ten-year period which ends in 2027. This agreement would allow for Coal Energy Group 3 to sublease Carbon County's coal. This is a controversial mine and a lot of people in Scofield are not in favor of the mine. This company has received permits for this mine. There were no objections at that

time. The County is under obligation under this lease agreement from 2017 to allow this coal to be mined if they can figure out the resources to open the mine.

Commissioner Haddock made a motion to ratify the updated sublease agreement by and between Carbon Resources, LLC and Coal Energy Group 3, LLC. 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 Board of Commissioners and convene as the Carbon County Board of Equalization. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

#### 10) Consideration and possible approval of Assessor Initiated Adjustments - Keven Ewell

Keven said this week's list is long and all have either stipulated or have gone through a hearing with the hearing officer and have received a recommendation. They are continuing to work through the appeals and have a little over 300 left. They are doing what they can to get through the list over the next two to three weeks so they can move forward. There are right around 830 appeals.

Commissioner Martines said he appreciates all Keven is doing and talking to people face to face. Keven said they have inspected many homes and visited many properties to make sure they are doing things right. It has been a good process for their staff.

Commissioner Haddock said for each one of the appeals, you can see the notes on each parcel. It is a good thing and you can see that they are being verified.

Keven said in a couple of weeks he is leaving for Rhode Island for two weeks and is hoping to have the appeals completed but he will probably not quite make it.

Commissioner Haddock made a motion to approve the Assessor Initiated Adjustments. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

#### 11) Adjourn as Carbon County Board of Equalization and reconvene as 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 Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

### 12) Adjourn as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners and convene as the Redevelopment Agency of Carbon County

Commissioner Haddock made a motion to adjourn as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners and convene as the Redevelopment Agency of Carbon County. Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

# 13) Consideration and possible discussion of a resolution designating the Loudermilk Energy Industrial Park Survey Area, the preparation of a draft community reinvestment project area plan and budget, and directing all necessary action by the agency, staff, and council

Commissioner Jensen said this is concerning the expansion of Intermountain Electronics between Price and Helper on the old Lowdermilk Property. They are seeking additional tax incentives just like their expansion on Highway 6, East of Price. This is a basic approval and several steps have to occur along the way to get this completed. There has to be an area designated and a specific footprint for the tax incentive. It has to have an in-depth plan presented as well as a proposed budget of what the cost of the expansion will be. This will give Carbon County and each of the taxing entities an idea of how much tax is estimated to come in over the course of the project. It would show what taxes IE would pay each year and what the taxing entities could possibly reimburse for the length of the incentive.

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The State of Utah offers a different type of incentive that they could also receive but it has nothing to do with property tax. The idea is, if they build something then the value of the property goes up and each of the taxing entities will get part of it even though some will be paid back to the company. They will need water and gas lines ran and the incentives help them pay for these types of things and sweetens the deal so that they come.

Commissioner Martines said there are bench marks that have to be obtained and limits hit like the number of employees etc. It is not a flat rate, there are things that the owner has to prove in order to get the incentives.

Commissioner Haddock said he wants to recognize the importance of the possible increased employment to our community. This could replace jobs that have been lost from other industries. It will have a big economic impact and he likes that it is performance-based incentives.

Commissioner Jensen said the expansion that Intermountain Electronics is entering into has made it critical that they do this expansion. Their estimates include multiple buildings and a need of 600 additional employees over time. This continues to be a big deal in regards to the number of employees they will hire. IE has opened a new possibility of jobs for our young people.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve the creation of a resolution designating the Loudermilk Energy Industrial Park Survey Area, the preparation of a draft community reinvestment project area plan and budget, and directing all necessary action by the agency, staff, and council. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

### 14) Adjourn as the Redevelopment Agency of Carbon County and reconvene as Carbon County Board of Commissioners

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

#### 15) Possible closed session to discuss pending litigation pursuant to U.C.A. Section §52-4-205

Commissioner Martines made a motion to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation pursuant to U.C.A. Section §52-4-205. Commissioner Hopes seconded. Motion carried.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to come out of the closed session. Commissioner Haddock seconded. Motion carried.

#### 16) Review and approval of departmental reports

Commissioner Martines made a motion to adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 5:14 p.m.

Larry Jensen, Commission Chair Carbon County Commission

ATTEST:

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