

Council Meeting Minutes

October 07, 2025
Council Chambers
07:00 PM

1. Call to Order

Chairman Jared Hamner called the Council Meeting to order at 07:00 PM. The time, place, and agenda of the meeting had been provided to the Tooele Transcript Bulletin and to each member of the governing body by posting the notice and agenda at least two days before on the Tooele County website and emailing them a link.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Scott Wardle.

3. Roll Call

Council Member Roll call as follows:

Erik Stromberg: Present
Jared Hamner: Present
Tye Hoffmann: Present
Scott Wardle: Present
Kendall Thomas: Present

Also, present were Scott Broadhead- Attorney, Andy Welch- County Manager, Brittany Lopez- Assistant County Manager, and Nicole Rash- Chief Deputy Clerk.

Staff in attendance were Nathan Harris- Deputy Attorney, Alison McCoy- Auditor, Peter Clegg- Human Services Director, Jerry Houghton- Recorder and Aspen Wimmer- Auditor's Office.

Guests in attendance were Tim Gillie- Transcript Bulletin, Geoff Dupaix- UDOT, Travis Hair- UDOT and Chris Sloan.

4. Public Comments

No comment

5. Recognitions, Presentations, & Informational Items

a. Tooele Valley Connectivity Study, Geoff Dupaix & Travis Hair

The Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has conducted the Tooele Valley Connectivity Study, focusing on evaluating the current transportation plans and growing transportation needs of the region. This study analyzes existing state routes along with traffic and load projections and identifies potential actions to enhance connectivity and redundancy within the regional and local transportation network.

Geoff Dupaix and Travis Hair with UDOT (Utah Department of Transportation) presented this item.

Mr. Dupaix stated that the Tooele Valley Connectivity Study is close to wrapping up, and this presentation is meant to update the Council on recommendations and findings. He stated that UDOT local feedback is that the main highways, including State roads and Sheep Lane, are failing. Midvalley Highway is important, but it will not solve all the problems. A strong local road network is needed and collaboration between municipalities is important. Growth and development is already happening, and more is coming.

Mr. Hair stated that UDOT has met with all local governments and got feedback on where the most development is happening. Slides were shown with development and employment growth projections through 2050. Travel demand projections were discussed. Mr. Hair presented UDOT's recommendations, including extending 33rd Parkway to Durfee Rd, extending 2000 N. along the Army Depot to SR-36, extending 2400 N to Sheep Lane, east-west connections in the north side of the valley, collaboration on access points, and local network changes to provide more choices and redundancy. Mr Dupaix stressed that it is important to tap into State funds for corridor preservation, which will free up funds for municipalities to use towards their own roads projects. He reiterated the importance of local connections from city to city, and also requiring developers to build parts of the network in future developments. Funding sources and recommended next steps were provided.

Council Member Wardle asked about Governor Cox's statement saying that light rail needs to come to Tooele Valley. Mr. Hair and Mr. Dupaix stated the density is not here yet in order for light rail to be viable.

6. Minutes

a. September 2, 2025 & September 16, 2025 Business Meeting Minutes

Agenda Attachments

1. 09.02.2025.Business.Draft.pdf
2. 09.16.2025.Business.Draft.pdf

Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve the September 2, 2025 & September 16, 2025 Business Meeting Minutes. Second by Council Member Kendall Thomas. All in favor. The motion passed.

7. Consent Agenda: Check Register

a. Check Register

Check Register 9/11/25, 9/18/25 and 9/25/25.

Agenda Attachments

1. Check Register 10.7.25.pdf

Council Member Scott Wardle motioned to approve the Check Registers dated 9/11/2025, 9/18/2025 and 9/25/2025. Second by Council Member Tye Hoffmann. All in favor. The motion passed.

8. Discussion Items

a. SFY26 State Behavioral Health Funding - Local Provider Agreements, Peter Clegg

The Department of Human Services receives a mixture of state and federal funding annually to redistribute and invest in the local behavioral health system. The department has improved how it allocates these funds to encourage novel ideas and ensure accountability, with the goal of achieving real and lasting results for the community. 10 agreements have been executed for SFY26 and the department is seeking ratification from the Council.

Peter Clegg will present on key improvements to the allocation process, how these changes are consistent with county goals, and highlight novel programs being implemented.

The agreements in question have been entered into with the following agencies:

- Bears Ears Child and Family Therapy
- Clinical Consultants
- Multicultural Counseling Center
- Precipice Counseling
- Rise Foundation
- Tooele Valley Counseling
- Valley Behavioral Health
- Whole Kids Emotional Wellness

- Tooele County Health Department

Agenda Attachments

1. Clinical Consultants - SFy26 NM services agreement - final - signed.pdf
2. Multicultural Counseling - SFy26 NM services agreement - MH - signed.pdf
3. Precipice Counseling - SFy26 NM services agreement - signed.pdf
4. Rise Up Foundation - SFy26 NM services agreement (v2) - signed.pdf
5. Bears Ears C+F Therapy - SFy26 NM services agreement - signed.pdf
6. Bonneville FP - SFy26 NM services agreement.pdf
7. TC Health Department agreement - SFy26 NM services agreement - signed.pdf
8. Tooele Valley Counseling - ART project - SFy26 NM services agreement (v2) - signed.pdf
9. Valley Behavioral Health - SFy26 NM services agreement - V2 - signed.pdf
10. Whole Kids - SFy26 NM services agreement - EIM - signed final.pdf

Peter Clegg, Human Services Director, presented this item as outlined above. He explained what the Human Services Department is doing differently to ensure these funds are being allocated responsibly and fairly.

Council Member Scott Wardle commended Director Clegg for his leadership.

b. Discussion on the 2026 Tentative Budget, Alison McCoy

Alison McCoy, Auditor, stated she is confident in how the tentative budget is looking right now. She stated the recommended COLA (cost of living adjustment) increase is 3.25% and the merit increase 1.25%.

9. Line-Item Transfers

a. Line-Item Transfers

Auditor: This transfer is to move the budget from the contingency account; \$100k to the independent audit account, due to the payroll audit and \$100k to the property appeals legal account, due to the property appeals of centrally assessed parcels.

Agenda Attachments

1. 2025-1007 Line-item transfer Auditor.pdf

Alison McCoy, Auditor, presented the line item transfer as outlined above.

Council Member Erik Stromberg motioned to approve Line-Item Transfers . Second by Council Member Kendall Thomas. All in favor. The motion passed.

10. Resolutions/Ordinances

a. Ordinance 2025-14 - Dissolving the Deseret Peak Commercial Community Development Project Area, Nathan Harris

Agenda Attachments

1. Ord 2025-14.pdf

Nathan Harris, Deputy Attorney, presented item A and item B together. He stated that in the RDA (Redevelopment Agency) meeting held prior to this meeting, the RDA Council dissolved these two RDAs by Resolution. He explained that this body needs to dissolve the RDAs by Ordinance.

Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to approve Ordinance 2025-14 and 2025-15. Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg. All in favor. The motion passed.

b. Ordinance 2025-15 - Dissolving the North Stansbury Retail Community Development Project Area, Nathan Harris

Agenda Attachments

1. Ord 2025-15.pdf

11. Boards & Committees

a. Board Vacancies

The Audit Committee has 4 vacancies.

The Historic Preservation Commission has 2 vacancies.

The Housing Authority has 1 vacancy for an Attorney.

Lake Point Cemetery and Park has 1 vacancy.

The Planning Commission has 1 vacancy for an alternate.

Recreation Special Service District has 1 vacancy for an alternate.

Rush Valley Water Conservation District has 1 vacancy.

The Tourism Tax Advisory Board has 3 vacancies - applicant must represent cultural attractions, hotels, restaurants, recreational facilities, convention facilities, or museums.

Council Member Kendall Thomas motioned to appoint Dale Jones to the Audit Committee.
Second by Council Member Scott Wardle. All in favor. The motion passed.

Chairman Jared Hamner reminded the Council to continue recruiting for the Audit Committee.

12. Council Update

Council Member Tye Hoffmann stated that the Council's trip to the Gold Hill mine tour has been canceled. Council Member Kendall Thomas gave a shout-out to the Prevention Department and the Board of Health for hosting a Save the Family Dinner Night.

Council Member Scott Wardle thanked first responders, fire, sheriff and emergency management departments for their work with the recent flooding. He feels completely confident in our people.

Chairman Jared Hamner also thanked the emergency management team for their work with the recent flooding. He stated that the Black Tie Blue Jeans event held by the CJC was very successful. He thanked all who were involved. He advised that Jack in the Box had just opened and there would be six more business openings within the next month. He also congratulated Auditor McCoy on her daughter's recent wedding.

13. Manager Update

Andy Welch, County Manager, also spoke about the flooding stating that the residents who needed help appreciated the emergency responders and the roads department for their quick response.

Brittney Lopez, Assistant Manager, advised that the EOC (Emergency Operations Center) emergency drills have helped immensely with the recent flooding; things went seamlessly. She stated there are 29 homes that have self-reported flooding. The county encourages people to self-report, so funding can be secured for mitigation. There are dumpsters at Benson Grist Mill and Stansbury Fire Department. There will be discounts at the landfill. There are sandbags available at Pine Canyon Fire Station, Stansbury Park Improvement District, Tooele City, Fire Station #3 and their roads location.

14. Manager Update: Ratifications

a. 3 MVA's

Refund on Motor Vehicle

Agenda Attachments

1. 3 MVA's.pdf

b. Bureau of EMS Per Capita Grant

This is a grant awarded to dispatch every year by the Bureau of Emergency Services (BEMS) for \$2365.

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1. Tooele County Sheriff's Per Capita Grant Award FY2026.pdf

15. Adjournment - Closed Session if needed

Council Member Tye Hoffmann motioned to adjourn and go into a closed session to discuss personnel.

Second by Council Member Erik Stromberg.

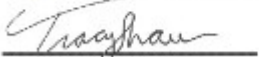
Roll Call Vote:

Council Member Tye Hoffmann- aye
Council Member Kendall Thomas- aye
Council Member Scott Wardle- aye
Council Member Erik Stromberg- aye
Chairman Jared Hamner- aye

The motion passed. The time of adjournment was 8:31 pm.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES ARE APPROVED:


Jared Hamner, County Council Chairman


Tracy Shaw, County Clerk



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