

COMMISSION MINUTES
October 27, 2025

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this twenty-seventh day of October 2025. Meeting commenced at 1:30 p.m. with Commissioners Scott Johnson, Ralph Brown, and Greg Jensen in the Commission Chambers of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. County Attorney Casey Jewkes, Executive Director Malcolm Nash, and Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall were also present.

Commission business:

Commissioner Brown reported that during the Tourism Advisory Board meeting they had reviewed the County Fair, rodeo and the many activities there.

Minutes of October 13th Worksession and Commission Meeting approved:

Minutes of the October 13th Worksession and Commission meeting were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Addendum added to MOU with Utah Cyber Center:

IT Director Dirk Jensen then reviewed with the Commission a Patch Management Addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Utah Cyber Center to provide patch services to help keep our systems secure. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Addendum to the Memorandum of Understanding with the Utah Cyber Center, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Social Media Agreement approved:

Tourism Director Amy Myers then reviewed with the Commission and agreement with Katelin Tanner to provide help with maintaining our social media presence with updating and posting to the accounts. Discussion followed concerning trying to keep more local information on the social media, as well as providing a place for local people to find out what is going on in the County. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement with Katelin Tanner, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Tourism Advisory Board recommendations approved except one:

Ms. Myers then reviewed with the Commission the recommendations from the Tourism Advisory Board, and updated them on the revenues received this year. Discussion followed concerning the recommendations, and questions regarding the art mural. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the recommendations excluding the art mural recommendation as they would like additional information, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Tax Abatements approved for 2025:

Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall then reviewed with the Commissioners the Abatement Summary for those that had applied and qualified for the tax abatements, noting it was very similar to previous years, and that the circuit breaker portion of the abatements would be reimbursed by the State of Utah. The total tax abatements were approximately \$617,687 with \$140,477 coming back from

the State. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the abatements, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Tax Reimbursement approved for Redmond Minerals and Western Clay:

Executive Director Malcolm Nash then reviewed a request from Redmond Minerals and Western Clay for reimbursement of property tax paid in 2022 resulting from a significant clerical error they had made during the assessment process. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the refunds in the amount of \$26,780.17 to Redmond Minerals and \$274,540.08 to Western Clay, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

MotivHealth Health Insurance Contract renewed for 2026:

HR Director Craig Blake then reviewed with the Commission the proposed renewal from MotivHealth. He said that after negotiations, they had reduced the increase for 2026 to 14.1%. After review and discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the renewal rates and authorize Director Blake to move forward with the renewal, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

New Hire recommendation approved:

Director Blake then recommended hiring Wesley Bywater as a full-time GIS Technical/Administrative Assistant in the Road Department, Grade 11 at \$20.85 per hour, beginning October 20, 2025. After review and discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the new hire, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Miss Sevier County Contract changed:

Events Coordinator Jessica Hutchings reviewed with the Commission a change in the Miss Sevier County Contract raising the maximum age from 21 to 23 to match similar pageants in our area, such as Miss Richfield. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the adjustment to the Miss Sevier County contract, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

RawlinsPro Wild West Showdown contract for 2026 County Fair approved:

Ms. Hutchings then reviewed with the Commission the agreement with RawlinsPro Wild West Showdown to be done during the 2026 County Fair. She reported they are trying to get things in place with the activities for the fair now so they can put things in place to do advertising in early spring. This even has been held at the fair before and was very popular. After review and discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the agreement with RawlinsPro, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m.