

COMMISSION MINUTES
November 10, 2025

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this tenth day of November 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. Deputy County Attorney Josh Christner, Executive Director Malcolm Nash, and Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall were also present.

Commission business:

Commissioner Jensen updated the Commission on the recent Public Lands Council. He said the State is working to continue to help the Counties with RS2477 road issues, access to additional mining, etc.

Tentative 2026 Budget accepted:

Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall presented a tentative 2026 budget. After review, Commissioner Jensen moved to accept the tentative budget, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Minutes of October 27th Commission and November 3rd Worksession approved:

Minutes of the October 27th Commission Meeting and November 3rd Worksession were then approved a motion by Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Payment Approval Report for October approved:

The Payment Approval Report for the month of October was reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Jensen, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Additional Assessor Adjustments for 2025 approved:

The Commission then reviewed recommended Assessor Adjustments for corrections to four parcels for the 2025 year. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the recommended adjustments, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Updated Memorandum of Agreement for Indigent Defense Services approved:

JoHanna Williams then met with the Commission regarding an updated Memorandum of Agreement for the Provision of Indigent Defense Services. She said the services are the same, and the contract will be for an additional three years. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the updated Memorandum of Agreement for Indigent Defense Services, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Agreement for Indigent Defense Services with providers approved:

Ms. Williams then reviewed an Agreement for Indigent Defense Services with different providers to provide the services. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Agreement for Indigent Defense Services, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

JoHanna Williams resigns as the Managing Public Defender:

Ms. Williams then presented a letter to the Commission indicating she is resigning from her position as the Managing Public Defender as she has accepted a position with the Sixth District Court. The Commission thanked her for the work she has done. Ms. Williams then said that the Labrum Group is prepared to assume the Managing Public Defender responsibilities to ensure the continuity of the services. The Commissioners thanked her for her service and wished her well in her endeavors.

At 1:48 p.m., Commissioner Jensen to recess the regular meeting for a public hearing, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Public Hearing to consider addition of Brooklyn Zone to Land Use Code:

Commissioner Johnson then opened the meeting for a public hearing to consider amending the Sevier County Code, Chapter 154: Zoning to allow for the addition of the Brooklyn Zone (BZ). Zoning Administrator Jason Mackelprang reviewed the area of the new zone, noting that zoning has been difficult in that area as the lots are small and do not meet code, and the new zone will allow for the combination of lots to allow for new development. There were no further comments from the public, the hearing adjourned at 1:53 p.m.

The regular meeting then resumed.

Ordinance 2025-11-1 adopted adding Brooklyn zone to Land Use Code:

After review and discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve Ordinance 2025-11-1 to amend the Sevier County Land Use Code to add the Brooklyn Zone, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Taxes abated on two County owned parcels:

The Commission then reviewed a request to abate taxes on parcels 4-88-17 and 3-192B-34 which are owned by Sevier County. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to abate the taxes on those parcels, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Agreement for Culinary Water Improvements with Silver Spur Construction approved:

Executive Director Malcolm Nash then reviewed with the Commission an agreement for the Brooklyn Culinary Water Improvement Project with Silver Spur construction company to install a culinary water system in the Elsinore Addition and Brooklyn Tapline area. It was noted that the agreement had been signed by the Brooklyn Special Service District but should have been signed by the County. Discussion followed that the project would improve the area. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to ratify the signature on the contract by Brent White of the Brooklyn Special Service District on behalf of the County, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Rural County Grant Contract through GOEO approved:

Mr. Nash then reviewed with the Commission an annual Rural County Grant Contract from the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity (GOEO). He said this is an economic development grant that he has been handling the last couple of years. He indicated that because of time

constraints the contract was signed earlier. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to ratify the signing of the Economic Development Grant, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Contract with Eddies Wild Ride activity for Fair approved:

Tourism Director Amy Myers then reviewed with the Commission the Eddies Wild Ride activity for the Sevier County Fair for a mechanical bull. After review and discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the Eddies Wild Ride agreement for the fair, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Memorandum of Understanding approved with America 250 Utah Commission:

Ms. Myers then reviewed with the Commission a Memorandum of Understanding with the America 250 Utah Commission to promote 250th birthday of America throughout the County next year. She said the County will qualify for \$3,000 for use with events in the County, noting that she will also help the municipalities to apply for funds. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the Memorandum of Understanding, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Recommendations of the Tourism Advisory Board approved:

Ms. Myers then reviewed with the Commission the final budget for Tourism. She then reported that the Tourism Advisory Board is pushing for more out of state promotion when bringing people to the area. She then reviewed the recommendations from the Board for expenditure of funds. After review, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the expenditures as recommended, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

No action was taken on the request for funding for an art mural.

Recommended New Hire approved:

Human Resources Director Craig Blake recommended Tucker Reynolds to fill a full-time Road Maintenance Operator position, grade 14 at \$22.60 per hour beginning November 3, 2025. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the new hire as recommended, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Items declared surplus, authorized for disposal:

The Commission then reviewed a list of personal property items requested to be declared surplus. After review, Commissioner Jensen moved to declare the items as surplus and authorize their disposal as recommended, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Stipulation of Settlement on State Appeal approved:

Executive Director Malcolm Nash then noted he had received information from our attorney that the Tax Commission and the County had agreed to a stipulation of settlement on an appeal for Wolverine SUFCO to reduce the value approximately \$220,000 with the refund being approximately \$2,200 owed to the taxpayer. He said additional information would be forthcoming from the Tax Commission. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to

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approve the stipulation of settlement to reduce the value and approve the refund when received, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 2:27 p.m.