

COMMISSION MINUTES
November 24, 2025

Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting of the Sevier County Commissioners held this twenty-fourth 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. County Attorney Casey Jewkes, Executive Director Malcolm Nash, and Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall were also present.

Commission business:

Commissioner Jensen then provided an update and some feedback on the USAAC Conference that the Commission attended last week, listing some of the items discussed there.

Commissioner Johnson then reported there were some annexation requests from Monroe City and Koosharem Town.

Minutes of November 10th Worksession and Commission Meeting approved:

Minutes of the November 10th Worksession and Commission meeting were then reviewed and approved on a motion by Commissioner Brown, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Circuit Breaker Abatement recommendations approved:

The Commission then reviewed a list of Circuit Breaker Abatements filed late, as well as one that was recommended for denial as the income was over allowable limits. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the late abatements that qualified and deny the request with income over the allowable limit, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Items declared surplus, authorized for disposal:

The Commission then reviewed personal property items that Departments had requested be surplus. After review and discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to declare the items as surplus and authorize them for disposal as indicated on the list, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Group Health and Stop Loss Contracts with MotivHealth approved:

HR Director Craig Blake then reviewed with the Commission the Group Health Contract with MotivHealth, along with a Group Stop/Loss Contract with MotivHealth for 2026. He indicated that both had been reviewed by County Attorney Casey Jewkes, and reported that we have had mostly positive experience with MotivHealth. After review and discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve both agreements with MotivHealth, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Agreement with Winnie Brave, Rocky Mountain Honky-Tonk, approved:

Events Director Jessica Hutchings then reviewed with the Commission an agreement with Winnie Brave, Rocky Mountain Honky-Tonk, for entertainment at the Fair. After discussion, Commissioner Brown moved to approve the agreement, second Commissioner Jensen, unanimous.

Contract with Broken Heart Rodeo Company approved:

Ms. Hutchings then reviewed an agreement with the Broken Heart Rodeo Company for entertainment during the Fair. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve the agreement with the Broken Heart Rodeo Company, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

Recommendation for art mural funding denied:

The Commission then discussed the request that had been recommended previously regarding funding an art mural in Richfield City in the amount of \$3,000. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to deny the request, Commissioner Brown abstained, Commissioner Johnson seconded the request. Motion passed.

At 1:47 p.m., Commissioner Brown moved to recess the regular meeting for a public hearing on the 2026 Budget.

Public Hearing to consider 2026 Budget and opening 2025 Budget:

Commissioner Johnson opened the meeting for comments from the public for a public hearing to consider adoption of a budget for the 2026 calendar year, and to open the 2025 budget to make adjustments and consider requests to provide funds in excess of those provided for in the 2025 budget. Those attending included: Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Jensen, Commissioner Brown, Executive Administrator Malcolm Nash, Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall, County Attorney Casey Jewkes, Tourism Director Amy Myers, Event Personnel Jessica Hutchings and Levi Maxfield, and HR Director Craig Blake. Commissioner Johnson noted that there was no comment from the public on the 2026 tentative budget. Commissioner Johnson then asked if there were any comments on opening the 2025 budget. Clerk/Auditor Steven Wall then recommended increasing the 2025 general fund budget by \$1,065,000 with \$1,000,000 being for the culinary water project in the Elsinore Addition area and \$65,000 for increased costs in security upgrades to the Administration and CJC buildings. Commissioner Brown indicated there would be grant money to cover the \$1,000,000 funding for the culinary water project. There were no further comments from the public.

Regular meeting then resumed at 1:50 p.m.

The Commission then discussed the requests to open the 2025 General Fund budget. After discussion, Commissioner Jensen moved to approve opening the 2025 General Fund Budget and adding an additional \$1,065,000 as recommended, second Commissioner Brown, unanimous.

There being no further business to come before the Board, regular Commission meeting adjourned at 1:52 p.m.

Public Hearing to consider market adjustment increase for County employees:

At 1:52 p.m., Commissioner Johnson convened a public hearing to consider a market adjustment increase for all Sevier County employees and elected officials in the 2026 budget. There were no comments from the public.

Commissioner Johnson closed the public hearing at 1:53 p.m.