



CANYONLANDS HEALTH CARE SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Larson Building Conference Room 285 S 400 E, Moab, UT 84532, Online through Zoom

• Thursday Nov 13, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Dan Cook (President), Tawny Knuteson-Boyd (Vice-Chair), Ken Ballantyne (Treasurer), Joette Langianese, Melodie McCandless, Lou Irby, Camille Peters, Debbie Testa (Clerk), Cassie Rose, Colette Lyman (CCC), Jason Gatherum, Johnathan Bangerter (Maple Dell), Todd Bramall (Seasons), Seth Olson (Kirtan McConkie), Jennifer Sadoff (MRH), Kirstin Peterson, Tye Shumway, Karen Feary

I. Called to Order at 5:32 PM

II. Financials (45 min)

a. Approval of the Oct 2025 Bills (Action Item)

Motion to approve the Oct 2025 bills for \$91,650.90 made by Tawny, seconded by Ken. Motion carried for approval 5-0.

JL joins at 5:37 PM

LI joins at 5:43 PM

b. Discussion and Consideration to Approve the Proposed Split of the Revenue from the Rural Healthcare Sales Tax (Action Item)

The board discussed a proposed revenue split from the rural healthcare sales tax through 2031, now that Proposition 13 has passed, increasing the healthcare sales tax to 1%. The proposed split included 52% going to EMS, 11% to the district, and 37% to the fire department for the last 9 months of 2026. The first 3 months of 2026 remain at a 50%/50% split with EMS. The allocations for the CHCSSD will increase in subsequent years, with an estimated 33% allocation amounting to \$2,067,622.26 by 2031. The board agreed to develop a 3-year allocation plan and a separate 5-year district plan, with the additional funds helping cover the Care Center roof replacement. Jennifer offered to share the state's application for federal funds, noting that while new construction is not eligible, there are opportunities for workforce development. Dan (CHCSSD), TJ (Moab Fire Dpt.), and Andy (EMS) are planning to present the allocation plan to the commission at their next meeting.

Motion to approve the Proposed Split of the Revenue from the Rural Healthcare Sales Tax made by Joette, seconded by Camille. Motion carried for approval 7-0.

c. Discussion and Consideration to Approve Sending the Proposed CHCSSD 2026 Budget to the Public (Action Item)

The board discussed adjusting the 2026 budget, considering the passage of Proposition 13, and potentially increasing the estimated revenue from the county to around \$1.6 million to cover the roof repair costs. Jennifer mentioned exploring federal grant funding for the roof project and will keep the board updated on the progress. The board also decided to maintain the operations budget for the Care Center at \$83K/month and agreed to increase the general fund interest to \$24K annually.

The group discussed meeting locations, with MM offering keys to either the EMS space or their usual workspace, and DC expressing a preference for avoiding the Grand Center due to poor acoustics. They also discussed increasing their donation to the Moab Free Health Clinic, with DC offering to increase it to \$35K, noting that the clinic serves 12% of the population and effectively stretches their dollars.

The board discussed the budget's fund balance of \$123K and noted that the total budget was set at \$1,974,000. They agreed to meet again in December for a public hearing and to address the 2025 budget balancing.

Motion to approve sending the proposed CHC SSD 2026 Budget to the Public Hearing and to the Public, made by Joette, seconded by Tawny. Motion carried for approval 7-0.

- d. Ratify letter to the County Commission for CHC SSD 2026 Budget Needs (Action Item)

The board reviewed the letter which includes the agreed upon splits with EMS and Moab Fire District and CHC SSD funding needs. DC noted this letter was submitted to the County Commission the previous day.

Motion to ratify letter sent to the County Commission for CHC SSD 2026 funding request for rural healthcare sales tax, made by Joette, seconded by Melodie. Motion carried for approval 7-0.

- e. Discussion on putting together a 5-year business plan for the County Commission

The group discussed the need to include both EMS and Moab Fire Department in the planning process, with MM noting that while there's no strict deadline for the plan, the district should take advantage of new funding opportunities. DC suggested leveraging the recently allocated budget for a planner to develop a comprehensive plan for the Care Center campus and surrounding property, potentially in partnership with the Moab city and Moab Regional Hospital, with further discussions planned for January's Moab City strategic planning meeting. The board discussed putting an item on the February agenda to help with their 5-year plan

III. New Business/Discussion/Action Items (35 min)

- a. Discussion and Consideration to Terminate the UPL Agreement with Rocky Mountain Care Maple Dell (Action Item)

The board discussed the UPL agreement with Rocky Mountain Care Maple Dale. JG explained that his team is reviewing the contract and considering moving it to another NSGO, but would need to confirm their preference between staying with CHC SSD and moving elsewhere. The board was informed that the agreement generates projected revenues of \$300K to \$350K from these two UPL entities.

The board discussed the potential termination of the UPL agreement with Rocky Mountain Care Maple Dell, considering the financial implications and risks involved. DC expressed concerns about the impact on revenue and the limited funding available for the CHC SSD. JG and others shared reservations about working with a larger organization like Beaver Valley, citing past complications and liability issues.

They debated the risks and benefits of expanding boundaries, with concerns about liability and legal issues. The group discussed an indemnity clause in an agreement between Rocky Mountain and CHC SSD, with SO explaining its terms and implications for boundary situations. The discussion touched on the possibility of modifying the indemnity clause to address concerns, with SO offering to provide a copy for further review.

They agreed to table the decision on terminating the agreement until December, allowing more time for SO to research boundary issues and provide a detailed description of boundary change requirements. The board decided to extend the Rocky Mountain contract for 6 months while exploring the boundary situation, to make a final decision in December.

Motion to explore the boundary issue more and extend the contract at least 6 months with Rocky Mountain Care Maple Dell, made by Melodie, seconded by Ken. Motion carried for approval 6-0. Dan Cook abstains.

- b. Discussion on CHC SSD Applications for Board Vacancies

The board discussed potentially changing their bylaws to allow more board members as ex-officio positions, rather than increasing the board size, to accommodate community interest in serving.

IV. Other Considerations (5 min)

Motion to adjourn made by Tawny seconded by Joette. Motion passes 7-0.

V. Adjourned at 7:27 PM