

GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
DECEMBER 15, 2025 AT 10:00 A.M.

Present: Commissioner Leland Pollock, Commissioner Jerry Taylor, Commissioner David Tebbs, Attorney Barry Huntington, Clerk Camille Moore and Deputy Clerk Kylee Orton.

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order and Barry Huntington led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to adopt the agenda with the addition of. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the November 24th meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

LONGEVITY AWARDS

Kelly Hailstone, Cameron Leach, and Brayton Talbot were recognized for their years of service to Garfield County.

BOARD REPORTS

Commissioner Tebbs attended a meeting with Redge Johnson, the PLPCO director. He attended the County EMT dinner and recognized Rick Bybee for his 43 years of service as an EMT.

Commissioner Taylor attended the Behavioral Health Board Meeting. He reported that the new operating room at the hospital will have its final walkthrough this week. He also reported that work is underway to develop a heat assistance program for seniors in the community. Commissioner Taylor recognized Nick Reynolds for his time serving on the Board of Health.

Commissioner Pollock reported on the Hospital Operating Room. He reported on the concerns citizens are having with the Advantage Care coverage in our rural communities. He stated that he has been working closely with Wade Allinson on trail projects and will be attending a meeting in Richfield this week regarding trail funding. He also reported on a meeting with the State Engineer concerning the Hatch Town Dam.

ANTIMONY TOWN

Kasey King, Antimony Town Mayor, was present to discuss senior meals in Antimony. After discussion, Donna Chynoweth, Aging Director, will work with the Mayor on possible solutions. There was discussion regarding the proposed mining project and the availability of water resources.

PUBLIC WORK BUSINESS

Dave Dodds, Public Works Director, gave an update on the Panguitch Lake Dam Project. There was discussion regarding the installation of cameras at the landfill.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Kaden Figgins, County Planner, reported that a public hearing regarding the Wildland Interface Code will be held on December 22nd at 12:00 PM.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2025 BUDGET OPENING

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to go into public hearing to discuss the 2025 budget opening. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

Harshad Desai expressed his concerns regarding the 2025 Budget.

Camille Moore, Clerk/Auditor, presented the 2025 Budget Opening.

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to return to general session. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to adopt the 2025 Budget Opening. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

PUBLIC HEARING: 2026 BUDGET HEARING

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to go into public hearing to discuss the 2026 Budget. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

Commissioner Pollock explained the property value increases that affected taxes for 2025.

Harshad Desai expressed his concerns regarding the 2026 Budget.

Camille Moore, Clerk/Auditor, presented the 2026 Budget and stated there is a 3% averaged cost of living adjustment for all county employees and elected officials.

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to return to general session. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to approve the 2026 Budget. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

TUID BOARD APPOINTMENTS

After discussion, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to reappoint Mike Morlang to the TUID Board. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

AIRPORT PROJECT

Tye Ramsay, Airport Director, reported on the bids received from Lochner Egis Group. Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the bids from Lochner Egis Group as engineering consultants. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

2026 COMMISSION MEETING AND COUNTY HOLIDAY DATES

Camille Moore, Clerk/Auditor, presented the 2026 Commission Meeting Dates and the 2026 County Holiday Dates. Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the 2026 Commission Meeting Dates and County Holidays. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye.

AGENCY REPORTS

Chris Wehrli, Dixie National Forest Ranger, provided an update on collaborative projects currently underway. He expressed interest in scheduling a coordination meeting with the Commission. Kevin Wright and Jennifer Plecki were also in attendance.

BUSINESS LICENSE

Two business license applications have been received from Universal Storage Utah in Panguitch and Grand Staircase Construction in Escalante. Grand Staircase Construction application is incomplete. After review, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to issue a business license to Universal Storage Utah. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to enter Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock- Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

Present: Kaden Figgins, Mark Boshell, and Dave Dodds

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING CLOSED MEETING

STATE OF UTAH)
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COUNTY OF GARFIELD)

The undersigned, as presiding officer of the Board of County Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, after being duly sworn, hereby states, swears and affirms as follows:

1. That on the 15th day of December, 2025, during a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, the board, upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds or more of the members present at the meeting for which notice was given pursuant to Section 52-4-6, voted to close the meeting to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual under Subsection 52-4-5 (1)(a)(I), Utah Code Annotated and pending litigation.
2. That a quorum was present.

3. That I do hereby affirm that the sole purpose for closing the meeting was to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and pending litigation.

DATED this 15th day of December, 2025.

Commission Chair

NOTARY PUBLIC

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to return to the general session. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The accounts payable list was reviewed and signed by the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Commission Chair

Clerk/Auditor