



Wasatch County Council Meeting Minutes

DRAFT Minutes for January 14, 2026

The Wasatch County Council met in regular session live and on-line Wednesday, January 14, 2026, in the Wasatch County Chambers located in the Wasatch County Administrative Building at 25 North Main, Heber City, Utah 84032.

A video recording of the meeting may be viewed by using the Wasatch County Public Portal (<https://wasatchcount.portal.civicclerk.com/>) and selecting the desired meeting.

Call to Order

1. Prayer/Remarks - Erik Rowland
2. Pledge of Allegiance - Colleen Bonner

Public Comment

Public comments will be accepted in-person or via Zoom Webinar. Please limit comments to three minutes. If action is necessary, the item will be listed on a future agenda. The Council may elect to discuss the item if it is an immediate matter of concern. Email public comments to publiccomment@wasatchcounty.gov.

Summary: Councilmember Rowland asked if there were any members of the public who wanted up to 3 minutes to provide comments to the Council on any item not on the agenda.

Neysa Holmes - Crisis Recovery Center

Matt Cray - Crisis Recovery Center

Cass Ho - Crisis Recovery Center

Ken McConnell - Crisis Recovery Center

Xela Thomas - Crisis Recovery Center

Todd Bonner - Crisis Recovery Center

Patrick Saucier - Questioned County Sheriff documented response to

potential ICE Enforcement and asked the Council to take a more active approach.

Call for Agenda Items

Summary: Councilmember McMillan asked if there were any topics to be added as a future agenda item.

Erik Rowland - Crisis Recovery Center

Luke Searle - Admin Building Presentation

Council Items

1. Discussion and direction of the Jordanelle Ridge Conservation Easement
- Dustin Grabau

Summary: The County has been working with Heber City and the property owners of Jordanelle Ridge located on the east side of Highway 40 and Highway 32 in Heber City. In the fourth quarter of 2025, the county provided direction to staff on whether the county should continue to pursue a full conservation easement on the Jordanelle Ridge property.

2. Discussion and direction of SITLA property development progress - Dustin Grabau

Summary: Wasatch County has been working with the property owner's representatives on a Legislative Development Agreement for the potential development of the 720 Acres of State Institutional Trust Land (SITLA) property located north of Littlepole Road. The council gave general direction that the target density was 144 units. Since then, the county has exchanged drafts of the development agreement. Additionally, the property owner's representatives are working with an adjacent property owner on a potential preliminary municipality that could have the potential to impact this project in addition to the rest of the county. Direction on the current status of the property development, including the potential for a preliminary municipality.

3. Heber Valley EIS Update - Craig Hancock

Summary: The Utah Department of Transportation has provided updates to the Wasatch County Council on a monthly basis as updates to the Heber Valley Corridor project has progressed. On January 7th, 2026, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement was released to the public, and Update the Wasatch County Council on the released Draft Environmental Impact Statement.

Council/Board Reports

Summary: Councilmember McMillan asked if there were any council/board report to be presented.

Councilmember Rowland provided the following report:

A productive meeting with CAMS factors of Main Street approved an agreement that allows the City to provide funding to CAMS.

Councilmember Bonner provided the following report:

The weed board has set spray day for obnoxious weeds advertised on the Fish and Game website: Dutch Hollow: June 2nd and 4th, Little Deer Creek in place of Soldier Hollow: May 16th, Milbee June 27th, and Squaw Creek June 10th.

The HVSD project is coming along really well. In fact, we are going to be able to add a part of a different cell because of the amount of money we are going to save.

Councilmember Searle provided the following report:
Need to go into closed session matter of personal matters

Councilmember Park provided the following report:
We met twice with Strawberry Marina Rd. regarding short term and a long term solution.

Manager's Report

Closed Session - as needed

Closed sessions may be held in accordance with Utah State Code 52-4-205 to discuss the following: Purchase, Exchange or Lease of Property; Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation; The Character, Professional Competence, or Physical or Mental Health of an Individual.

Summary: Councilmember Park indicated that there was a need for a Closed Session.

Action Taken: Councilmember Park made a motion to **go into closed session**.

Councilmember Bonner seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following vote:

Adjournment

Summary: Councilmember Bonner asked to adjourn the meeting

Action Taken: Councilmember Bonner made a motion to "**adjourn the meeting**"

Councilmember Rowland seconded the motion. The motion carried with the following vote:

Karl McMillan/Chairman

Joey D. Granger/Clerk/Auditor