

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION  
MEETING MINUTES  
JANUARY 6, 2026**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman Adam Snow at 4:00 p.m. on January 6, 2026, in the Washington County Commission Chambers, and via Zoom 111 East Tabernacle, St. George, Utah. Those in attendance were Commissioner Adam Snow, Commissioner Gil Almquist, Commissioner Victor Iverson, Deputy County Attorney Devin Snow, County Administrator Nicholle Felshaw and Deputy Clerk Sarah Lloyd.

**INVOCATION BY: Pastor Greg Wright, Westside Baptist Church**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Sergeant Jake Paul, Washington County Sheriff's Office**

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting the consideration of routine matters. If a commissioner requests that items be removed from the consent agenda, those items are placed at the beginning of the regular agenda. Other than requests to remove items, a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda is not debatable.

- Consideration of Auditor-Approved Claims for Payment for December 16, 2025 through January 6, 2026
- Consideration of Special Commission Meeting Minutes of December 15, 2025
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Real Property
- Consideration of Administrative Adjustments: Personal Property
- Consideration of Proof of Publication of Ordinances No. 2025-1312-O, No. 2025-1314-O, and 2025-1315-O, Published on December 21, 2025

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve the Consent Agenda as Outlined. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

**REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**PRESENTATION: SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**

Jeff McKenna, Herb Cihak, and Steven Sorensen with the Sons of the American Revolution presented genealogical findings to the Commissioners tracing their genealogy to patriots in the American Revolution.

**EMERGENCY SERVICES REPORT: WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**

Sergeant Jacob Paul with the Washington County Sheriff's Office reported there were nine (9) total calls from November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025, through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025. There was a total of one hundred twenty-eight (128) SAR incidents in 2025.

(See attached report.)

#### **OPEN AND PUBLIC MEETINGS TRAINING**

Deputy County Attorney Devin Snow presented the yearly open and public meetings training for 2026.

(See attached training.)

#### **CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE REQUESTS:**

Sheriff, Locks for New Holding Cells .....	(\$13,000.00)
Roads, Road Base for Baker Dam Road to Highway 18 .....	(\$321,100.00)
Roads, Lease of Double Belly Dump Trucks .....	(\$72,800.00)
Roads, Diesel Fuel with Winter Additive .....	(\$23,772.60)
HCP, Rejuvra and Zandar Chemical for Fire Prevention .....	(\$11,978.60)

*All purchases are budgeted, bonded, or paid for through grant funds.*

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve the Purchase Requests as Outlined. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

#### **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3658, A RESOLUTION ADOPTING WASHINGTON COUNTY'S CONSOLIDATED FEE SCHEDULE FOR ALL DISTRICTS THAT LEVY A TAX**

Clerk/Auditor Ryan Sullivan explained that for new districts, including Infrastructure Financing Districts, Public Infrastructure Districts, Tax Increment Financing Districts or Local Districts, it creates work for multiple departments throughout the County, and it is recommended to update the fee schedule to compensate the work done by each department. Matt Ence with Snow, Jensen, and Reece asked the Commissioners to consider a one-time adjustment for the ZRMC PID to be under the old fee schedule, as the PID is almost completed, and his clients did not anticipate the new fee schedule.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3658, A Resolution Adopting Washington County's Consolidated Fee Schedule for all Districts that Levy a Tax with the Exception of the ZRMC PID. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3659, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CLERK-AUDITOR TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT CHANGES TO THE FEE SCHEDULE FOR SERVICES**

Mr. Sullivan explained that this Resolution is in conjunction with the previous Resolution to implement a new fee schedule for the Clerk-Auditor's department.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3659, A Resolution Authorizing the Washington County Clerk-Auditor to Adopt and Implement Changes to the Fee Schedule for Services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3660, A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN REAL PROPERTY IN WASHINGTON COUNTY**

Mr. Sullivan stated Washington County owns several small pieces of property and would like to start the process to surplus them. Most of these properties were struck to the County in previous tax sales. This Resolution would allow that to happen for a fee and a minimum price set by the Assessor's Office.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3660, A Resolution Authorizing the Disposition of Certain Real Property in Washington County. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3661, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH RUNBECK ELECTION SERVICES FOR BALLOT AND ENVELOPE PRINTING**

Chief Deputy Clerk Genna Goodwin explained last year the County put out a Request for Proposals in order to retain a contractor for printing services, and it is recommended that Runbeck Election Services be contracted for those services.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3661, A Resolution Approving an Agreement with Runbeck Election Services for Ballot and Envelope Printing. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3662, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A RENEWED AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND HEBER BARNEY FOR FOOD CONCESSION SERVICES AT LEGACY PARK**

Legacy Park Equestrian Events Director Kolbey Hughes stated that Mr. Barney has been the food vendor at Legacy Park since 2022 and would like to continue that contract for one year, with the option to renew for two additional one-year terms.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3662, A Resolution Approving a Renewed Agreement Between Washington County and Heber Barney for Food Concession Services at Legacy Park. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3663, A RESOLUTION APPROVING TRT FUNDING FOR DATA SERVICES FROM KEY DATA FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY TOURISM DEPARTMENT**

Tourism Community and Partner Relations Manager Matthew Watson explained Key Data will provide visitor hotel and short-term rental information and demographic to the Tourism department. The term of this agreement is one year.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3663, A Resolution Approving TRT Funding for Data Services from Key Data for the Washington County Tourism Department. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3664, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A COMMISSARY AGREEMENT FOR THE WASHINGTON COUNTY PURGATORY FACILITY**

Mr. Snow stated Pinnacle Correctional Services can handle all aspects of commissary at Purgatory Correctional Facility, including clothing, food, snacks, candy and all safety concerns regarding these items. This is a three-year contract.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3664, A Resolution Approving a Commissary Agreement for the Washington County Purgatory Facility. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3665, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING AND REAPPOINTING BOARD MEMBERS TO THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL RESPONSE AND COORDINATION TEAM (SWRRT)**

Emergency Operations Manager Jason Bradley explained this board is mainly in charge of allocating homeland security grant money and mutual aid, with the Emergency Operations

department acting as the fiduciary. It is recommended that Jason Bradley be appointed to the board, with Joe Decker and Brad Esplin being reappointed, all with terms to expire on December 31, 2029.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3665, A Resolution Appointing and Reappointing Board Members to the Southwest Regional Response and Coordination Team. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3666, A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL BOARD OF DIXIE DEER SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT**

Mr. Snow stated it is recommended to reappoint Robert Bahlmann and Michael Fundaro to the board with terms expiring on December 31, 2029.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3666, A Resolution Reappointing Members to the Administrative Control Board of Dixie Deer Special Service District. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3667, A RESOLUTION REAPPOINTING GIL ALMQUIST TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL BOARD FOR WASHINGTON COUNTY SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT NO. 1**

Mr. Snow explained it is recommended to reappoint Commissioner Almquist to the Washington County Special Service District No. 1 Administrative Control Board.

**MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3667, A Resolution Reappointing Gil Almquist to the Administrative Control Board for Washington County Special Service District No. 1. Motion seconded by Commissioner Snow and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3668, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MEMBERS TO THE WASHINGTON COUNTY CAREER SERVICE COUNCIL**

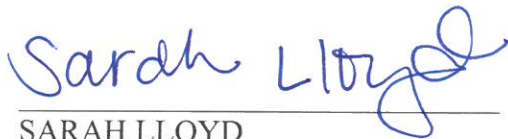
Mr. Snow stated two members' terms have expired, and state law requires staggered terms so that only one member's term expires per year. It is recommended to appoint Dave Stirland with a term to end on June 30, 2026; Brock Belnap with a term to end on June 30, 2027; and Jason Hurst with a term to expire on June 30, 2028.

**MOTION:** Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3668, A Resolution Appointing Members to the Washington County Career Service Council. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

Commissioner Iverson stated that 2026 marks the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States and he is excited for upcoming events. Commissioner Almquist stated the Courthouse remodel is coming along nicely, and having missed the last meeting he agreed with the rejection of Judge Gibson's redistricting.

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:12 p.m.



SARAH LLOYD  
DEPUTY CLERK



ADAM SNOW  
COMMISSION CHAIR



## **SAR Incident Synopsis**

**for the year of 2025**

**Sheriff Brooksby,**

**Below is the end of year SAR report for the year of 2025. In parenthesis you will find the numbers for 2024. You will see that our numbers have actually gone up notably in 2025 compared to 2024.**

### **2025 End of Year Report**

**Total SAR Incidents – 128 (117)**

**SAR Volunteer Incident Man hours – 2968.5**

**(2961.5 includes Certified and Volunteer)**

**SAR Certified Staff Man Hours – 461**

**SAR Training Man Hours – 3684 (3382)**

**Total Man Hours for SAR 2025 – 7113.5 (6343.5)**

### **Rescued Subjects**

**In County Residence – 68 (53)**

**Out of County (Utah) Residence - 55 (30)**

**Out of Utah – 82 (58)**

**International – 3 (7)**

**Total Rescued Subjects- 208 (148)**

# **SAR Incident Synopsis**

**For November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

**Sheriff Brooksby,**

**Below is the SAR Report from November 18<sup>th</sup> through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2025**

## **November-December 2025 Report**

**Total Calls this report – 9**

**Total Non Certified Volunteer Man Hours – 143**

**Total Certified Man Hours – 21.5**

**Total Man Hours this report – 164.5**

**Total SAR Incidents 2025 – 128**

## **Rescued Subjects 2025**

**In County Residence – 68**

**Out of County (Utah) Residence – 55**

**Out of Utah – 82**

**International – 3**

## **Highlights**

**12/26/2025 @ 1659, Injured Hiker, Red Mountain Trail, Red Cliffs Desert Reserve – Man Hours – 36 (Non Certified) 2 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to a report of a female who had a sustained a reported broken arm after falling on Red Mountain Trail. The female was located by SAR personnel and her injury was stabilized. Due to the steep terrain, STAR9 was requested to assist with returning her to Incident Command (IC). STAR9 utilized their hoist and returned the patient to IC without issue.



**12/29/2025 @ 1744, Missing Person, St. George Area – Man Hours – 38 (Non Certified) 3 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to the south east section of St. George near the St. George Air Port (SGU) to assist with locating a missing female that was suspected to be in the area. Multiple groups had searched the area and were unable to locate her. SAR members were able to find a set of tracks at the last known location of the female and tracked her for approximately 30 minutes before they located her. She was then loaded in a vehicle and returned to the SGPD incident command where she was evaluated in an ambulance and turned over to SGPD.

**Additional Calls**

**11/26/2025 @1312, Injured Climber, Mo's Valley – Man Hours – 19.5 (Non Certified) 3 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to a report of a male who had fallen while climbing in Mo's Valley and suffered a suspected leg injury. The male was located and evaluated. He was then transported in litter basket to the trailhead where he was loaded in the ambulance and transported to the hospital.

**11/26/2025 @ 1540, Injured Hiker, Cottonwood Trail – Man Hours – 16.5 (Non Certified) 2 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to Cottonwood Trail on a report of a female hiker who had fallen and had a suspected ankle injury. STAR9 was requested due to the remote area she was located in. SAR units responded to the location of the patient and her injury was evaluated and stabilized. She was loaded in STAR9 and returned to Incident Command. She was then loaded in an ambulance and transported to the hospital.

**11/26/2025 @1713, Dirt Bike Accident, Warner Valley – Man Hours – 1 (Certified)**

Deputies responded to Warner Valley on a report of a juvenile male who had sustained possible ankle and rib injuries after crashing on his dirt bike. STAR9 was in the area and assisted with the call. Deputies arrived and assisted with patient care until Hurricane Medical units arrived on scene. The male was then loaded in an ambulance and transported to the hospital.

**11/27/2025 @1657, Stranded Motorist, Kolob Reservoir– Man Hours – 2 (Certified)**

Deputies responded to the Kolob Reservoir area on a report of a male who had been stranded when his vehicle became stuck in a snow drift. Deputies assisted him with removing the vehicle from the snow drift and followed him until he returned to the pavement.

**12/08/2025 @1348, Stranded Hiker, Yant Flats – Man Hours – 12 (Non Certified) 2 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to Yant Flats Trail on a report of an elderly female who was stuck in a ravine and unable to get out. SAR members hiked to the patient location and utilized ropes to remove her from the ravine. They then transported her back to her vehicle at the trailhead where she declined medical evaluation.

**12/16/2025 @1051, Stranded Hiker, Warner Valley – Man Hours – 2.5 (Certified)**

Deputies responded to Warner Valley area on a report of an individual that could be heard calling for help on a cliff ledge. Deputies were unable to locate the person the ledge so they called STAR9 to assist. STAR9 was able to locate the individual who was stranded on a ledge and unable to get off. STAR9 utilized their hoist to safely return the male to his vehicle. He declined medical evaluation.

**12/26/2025 @ 0904, Injured Hiker, Babylon Arch Trail – Man Hours – 21 (Non Certified) 4 (Certified)**

Search and Rescue (SAR) responded to a report of an injured hiker on Babylon Arch Trail. The male had a reported leg injury. SAR units responded to his approximate location base on GPS and were able to make voice contact, locating him shortly after. He was evaluated and his injury was stabilized. He was then placed in a stokes basket and carried back to Incident Command. He declined medical transport and was assisted back to his vehicle.

**Board of Equalization  
Personal Property  
Commission Meeting  
1/6/26**

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Account Number	Tax ID No.	Tax Year	Owner	Pre Adj Taxes	Post Adj Taxes	Difference	Comments	MeetingDate
27154 SG-1573-B		2025	315 S MAIN LLC	2,787.67	1,533.22	-1,254.45	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
861657 H-DSHR-210		2025	BRADY & BRADY INVESTMENT GROUP LLC	4,597.43	2,528.58	-2,068.85	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
2884 SG-177-B		2025	BRADY DOUGLAS	2,713.92	1,492.66	-1,221.26	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1148429 SG-ARRR-15-238		2025	COELLO DAVID / COELLO TENNILE	10,005.70	5,503.14	-4,502.56	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1158699 SG-SAH-5-508		2025	COOPER JACOB CONRAD	2,854.16	1,569.79	-1,284.37	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
389927 H-RVE-3-5		2025	COX ROYCE	2,318.58	1,275.22	-1,043.36	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
596109 I-CHCL-22		2025	DECKER RACHEL / DIMOURO MARGARET	6,718.94	3,695.42	-3,023.52	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1162087 W-SPLV-2-64		2025	FLINT CREEK LLC	3,264.82	1,795.65	-1,469.17	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
206568 SG-BLH-2A-33		2025	GEOMOSS LLC	2,451.88	1,348.53	-1,103.35	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1216788 W-SOL-2A-49-CC		2025	GRAHAM LAINE / FLAJOLE QINGPING / SIMMONS	6,773.62	3,725.49	-3,048.13	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1150208 H-LADS-2-28		2025	HAWKINS KRISTIN	3,882.14	2,135.17	-1,746.97	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
64553 E-194-B-1-A		2025	HORNE DEBORAH	1,131.01	622.06	-508.95	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
79734 I-47-B-1-A		2025	KEE BRETT / KEE BRANDON	2,958.49	1,627.17	-1,331.32	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
843554 V-RIOD-3-63		2025	MCALLISTER RUSSELL CHADWICK TRUSTEES / MCA	6,397.08	3,518.40	-2,878.68	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
102833 SC-SLE-9-A		2025	PACCHIEGA GUSTAVO M / PACCHIEGA BRANDI L	3,228.74	1,775.81	-1,452.93	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
470602 H-HLE-2-22		2025	PETERSON BENJA TRUSTEE / BENJA PETERSON REV	1,834.84	1,009.16	-825.68	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
817838 H-ZGRV-90		2025	RASMUSSEN MARCIA PIERCE / RASMUSSEN CLINT	1,033.96	568.68	-465.28	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
770001 SG-CTM-7-163		2025	RAWLINSON TYLER / RAWLINSON ABBI	2,511.80	1,381.49	-1,130.31	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
403603 SG-SCME-1-3		2025	ROE ALLISON / HIATT TREY AUSTIN	2,624.38	1,443.41	-1,180.97	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1220082 SG-WHL-132		2025	SANDERS TREVOR / SANDERS SHAYLEE	3,745.64	2,060.10	-1,685.54	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
1205630 SG-CRVI-3-308		2025	TAYLOR MICHAEL GLENN / TAYLOR AMANDA HATT	6,079.01	3,343.45	-2,735.56	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
560832 I-PLTH-4-104		2025	WATERS RHETT	2,300.81	1,265.45	-1,035.36	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
218282 SG-BLH-12-80		2025	WILCOX-JORDINSON KRISTA LYN / JORDINSON KUF	3,686.38	2,027.51	-1,658.87	Assessment level changed to primary.	01/06/26
152820 R-1230-A		2025	TABS LLC	1,873.27	1,449.94	-423.33	Total loss from fire in April. Value prorated.	01/06/26