



MINUTES

Iron County Council of Governments (ICCOG)

January 07, 2026

(Note: Starts immediately after the RPO Meeting that Starts at 1:00 pm. ICCOG started at 2:02 pm.)
Kanarraville Town Hall, 40 South Main Street, Kanarraville, UT 84742

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Mayor Clayton Calloway
Mayor Mollie Halterman
Commissioner Paul Cozzens
Mayor Tyler Allred
Mayor Jim Rushton
Mayor Dakota Veater
Mayor Steve Nelson

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Commissioner Ken Robinson
Commissioner Mike Bleak
Nathan Wiberg
Dan Jessen
George Colson
Brett Hamilton
Chris Hall
Brandon Stewart
Hayden White
Paul Bittmenn
Kirk Thornock
Darin Bushman
Carl Albrecht (Online)

REPRESENTING

Brian Head
Parowan
Iron County
Kanarraville
Enoch
Paragonah
Cedar City

REPRESENTING

Iron County
Iron County
FCAOG
Parowan
Iron County Emergency Management
Iron County
UDOT
UOSH
Enoch City
Cedar City
UDOT
FCAOG
Legislature



1. **Welcome**

Mayor Mollie Halterman called the meeting to order at 2:02 PM

2. **Consider November 5, 2025, Minutes**

Mayor Mollie Halterman entertained a motion to approve the November 5, 2025, minutes.

Mayor Clayton Calloway made a motion to approve the November 5, 2025, minutes. Commissioner Ken Robinson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3. **COG Functions Discussion**

Nathan Wiberg provided a brief overview and clarification of COG's purpose and functions. He explained that the COG primarily serves as:

- A collaborative forum for municipalities and the County to discuss regional issues.
- A mechanism for coordination on transportation and infrastructure matters.
- The governing body responsible for Corridor Preservation funds and oversight of the prioritized corridor list.

4. **Responsibilities for COG Agenda & Minutes**

The Council discussed responsibility for preparing agendas, taking minutes, managing technology, and posting required notices on the Utah Public Notice Website.

Historically, Mayor Chestnut assigned Rob Dotson to manage agendas and minutes. With recent leadership changes and several new mayors, the group agreed it was appropriate to revisit the arrangement at the next meeting.

Possible options discussed were:

1. Assign one municipality's staff to manage agendas and minutes.
2. Rotate responsibility among member entities.
3. Contract with the Association of Governments (AOG), incorporating the service into the existing RTEC contract. Costs will be provided prior to the next meeting.

Members discussed practical considerations. No formal motion was made. The item will return to a future meeting for action after members have time to evaluate options and associated costs.



5. Corridor Preservation Policy Updates

The Council considered updates to the Corridor Preservation Policy that had been discussed at the RTEC just prior to this COG meeting.

Updates included:

- Integration of revised graphics.
- Clarifying language adjustments.
- Formatting and consistency improvements.
- Incorporation of previously discussed recommended changes.

The updates were characterized as refinements rather than substantive structural changes to the policy.

Motion: Mayor Clayton Calloway motioned to accept and integrate the recommended updates into the Corridor Preservation Policy.

Second: Mayor Tyler Allred

Vote: All in favor.

Opposed: None.

Result: Motion carried unanimously.

6. Corridor Preservation Funding Request; Parcel E-0186-0000-0000

The Council considered a funding request for Corridor Preservation funds for Parcel E-0186-0000-0000. Members heard the presentation about the request at the RTEC meeting just prior to this COG meeting and indicated that it was recommended for funding.

A motion was made to approve the use of Corridor Preservation funds for the parcel. There was clarification to add an additional 0 at the end of the parcel number.

Motion: Commissioner Kent Robinson made a motion to approve the Corridor Preservation funding request for Parcel E-0186-0000-0000.

Second: Mayor Tyler Allred

Vote: All in favor.

Opposed: None.

Result: Motion carried unanimously.

7. Mayor's and commissioner's Updates

A. Cybersecurity & Firewall Funding

Discussion occurred regarding increasing cybersecurity threats to local governments. Representative Carl Albrect has a request for appropriations for software updates for local entities. A member referenced a recent ransomware attack to an entity that they sit on a board for.



B. Municipal Project Updates

Parowan

- Multiple construction projects underway.
- Public works staff will be heavily utilized for in-kind matching requirements.
- A new diversion structure is under construction at the canyon mouth, expected completion in summer.
- Lowering the channel at the bridge project will be great for flood control.
- Preliminary concept phase of the sewer redesign. Coordination with Brian Head and exploring creative permitting options to maintain affordability.
- Airport improvements:
 - New Fixed Base Operator (FBO) hired.
 - Potential restaurant at the airport.
 - Industrial Park infrastructure upgrades including road construction and underground utilities. EDA grant application submitted for infrastructure.
 - Industrial Park has officially been accepted onto the Inland Port.
- Maverick and Terribles are open. The Goodfellows building is going up.

Iron County

- Iron County Jail Project
 - Tilt panels erected for Pod 1.
 - Panels poured for Pod 2.
 - Construction of administrative buildings will begin soon.

Enoch

- Recruitment underway for a new City Manager.
- Grocery store project is progressing.
- Water and sewer impact facility planning nearing public hearing. Will be searching for funding for two new wells and a new sewer outfall line.

Impact Fees Discussion - Members discussed variability in impact fee structures among jurisdictions. It was acknowledged that fees are based on each entity's capital facilities plans but that developers often compare rates across neighboring communities.

C. HB 48 – Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Map

Discussion occurred regarding HB 48 and the DNR wildfire risk mapping. Concerns raised:

- Mapping inaccuracies (areas classified high-risk without vegetation).
- Lack of clarity regarding fee schedules.
- Absence of final rules despite statutory adoption date.
- Risk of municipalities effectively “adopting a blank check.”

Representative Albrecht indicated the bill requires amendments or implementation delay. He encouraged collaboration with UAC and municipal organizations to pursue fixes during the legislative session.



It was noted that insurance companies will likely rely on the state map regardless of local adjustments.

F. AOG Administrative Updates

The AOG Community Advisor program has been reorganized:

- Each municipality assigned a single point of contact.
- Advisors retain specialty expertise (grants, administration, planning).
- Consolidation of service offices in Iron County and Washington County to streamline public access. Expanding some services in
- UDOT Technical Planning Assistance Grants remain available.
- Coordination underway regarding transportation master plan assistance for Kanarraville.

8. Open Discussion

- Monitor property tax reform legislation.
- Track annexation-related proposals.
- Participate in ULCT legislative previews.
- Provide updated contact information for new mayors to ensure inclusion in legislative communications.
- Members were encouraged to attend the Rural Caucus meetings during the session.
- SB 36 has been filed for study:
 - UDOT Commission representation.
 - Qualifications and responsibilities of the UDOT Director.
 - Concern was expressed regarding southern Utah representation on the Transportation Commission. Municipalities were encouraged to consider resolutions of support.

9. Adjourn Meeting

Mayor Mollie Halterman entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Motion: Mayor Steve Nelson made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Second: Mayor Jim Rushton

Vote: All in favor.

Opposed: None.

Result: Meeting adjourned.