

**WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMISSION
MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 20, 2026**

The Special Meeting of the Board of the Washington County Commission was called to order by Chairman Adam Snow at 10:05 a.m. on March 20, 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: Jamie Allen

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Chad McWilliams

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3724, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR MARKET VALUE APPRAISAL SERVICE FOR A PARCEL IN THE RED CLIFFS NCA

Deputy County Attorney Devin Snow explained this is the last private inholding in Zone 3 of the Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP). As outlined within the HCP, the County is obligated to facilitate the purchase of lands by the federal government.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3724, A Resolution Approving a Professional Services Agreement for Market Value Appraisal Service for a Parcel in the Red Cliffs NCA. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3725, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A HOSTING/SPONSOR AGREEMENT WITH HOLBROOK, LLC

Greater Zion Sports Marketing Manager Chad McWilliams stated this Resolution is for a hosting/sponsorship agreement with Holbrook for use of the pickleball and wellness deck of the County Parking Garage.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3725, A Resolution Approving a Hosting/Sponsor Agreement with Holbrook, LLC. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3726, A RESOLUTION APPROVING TRT FUNDING FOR MARKETING SPONSORSHIPS AND EVENT FUNDING FOR NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS IN WASHINGTON COUNTY

Greater Zion Tourism Operations Manager Jamie Allen explained the Tourism Tax Advisory Board recently met and recommended the following for approval for marketing sponsorships:

Organization	Purpose	Amount to Fund
Arts to Zion	Arts to Zion Gallery Map	\$15,800
Dinosaur AH!torium	Marketing of Museum	\$5,000
Silver Reef Foundation	Rack Cards and Marketing	\$6,590
FMASU	2026 Horrorfest International Film Festival	\$2,500
FMASU	2027 Desertscape International Film Festival	\$2,000
St. George Dance Company	2026 Red Rock Dance Festival	\$2,950
St. George Area Chamber of Commerce	2027 St. George Area Chamber Guide	\$30,000
	TOTAL:	\$64,840

And the following event funding sponsorships:

Organization	Purpose	Amount to Fund
Kayenta Arts Foundation	2026 Art in Kayenta Festival	\$5,000
Zion Forever Project	2026 Zion Park Invitational	\$4,000
Great Western Classic	2026 Great Western Classic Basketball Tournament	\$5,000 - \$15,000
American Fastpitch Association	2026 AFA Nationals Softball Tournament	\$25,000
Utah Summer Games	2026 Softball and Shooting Events	\$10,000
American Cancer Society	2026 Southern Utah Golf Classic	\$800 (auction item)
	TOTAL:	\$59,800

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3726, A Resolution Approving TRT Funding for Marketing Sponsorships and Event Funding for Non-Profit Organizations 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-2026-3727, A RESOLUTION APPROVING TRT FUNDING FOR EVENTS HELD BY ST. GEORGE CITY

Mr. McWilliams stated the following are for long-term partnership events with St. George City. The TAB board recently recommended approval of the following:

Organization	Event	Amount to Fund
St. George City	2026, 2027, and 2028 - St. George Art Festival	\$25,000 each year
St. George City	2026, 2027, and 2028 - Snow Canyon Half Marathon	\$5,000 each year
St. George City	2027 and 2028 - St. George Marathon	\$35,000 each year
	2026 TOTAL:	\$30,000
	2027 TOTAL:	\$65,000
	2028 TOTAL:	\$65,000

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3727, A Resolution Approving TRT Funding for Events Held by St. George City. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3728, A RESOLUTION APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE BLM DESIGNATING WASHINGTON COUNTY AS A COOPERATING AGENCY FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE HIGH DESERT TRAIL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Destination Development Manager Leslie Fonger explained the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) are conducting an environmental assessment for the High Desert Trail, and Washington County would like to be established as a cooperating agency.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3728, A Resolution Approving a Memorandum of Understanding with the BLM Designating Washington County as a Cooperating Agency for the Development of the High Desert Trail Environmental Assessment. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3729, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH AMERICAN CONSERVATION EXPERIENCE FOR THE CLIFFROSE TRAIL CONSTRUCTION PHASE 3 PROJECT (FORMERLY SPRING HOLLOW TRAIL CONSTRUCTION PHASE 3)

Ms. Fonger stated this amendment would expand the scope of work with American Conservation Experience to build an additional 8 miles of trails on the Cliffrose Trail System.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3729, A Resolution Approving the First Amendment to a Professional Service Contract with American Conservation Experience for the Cliffrose Trail Construction Phase 3 Project (Formerly Spring Hollow Trail Construction Phase 3). Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3730, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SECOND AMENDMENT TO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACT WITH PTARMIGAN PTRAILS FOR THE CLIFFROSE TRAIL CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PHASE 3 PROJECT (FORMERLY SPRING HOLLOW TRAIL CONSTRUCTION PHASE 2)

Ms. Fonger explained this amendment would expand the scope of work with Ptarmigan Ptrails to build an additional 3 miles of trails on the Cliffrose Trail System.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3730, A Resolution Approving the Second Amendment to a Professional Service Contract with Ptarmigan Ptrails for the Cliffrose Trail Construction Phase 3 Project (Formerly Spring Hollow Trail Construction Phase 2). Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3731, A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR AGREEMENT BETWEEN WASHINGTON COUNTY AND FOCUS CREATIVE SOLUTIONS, LLC. FOR CONSULTING AND GRAPHIC DESIGN SERVICES

Ms. Allen stated this is a new contract for a local graphic designer. The initial term is for six months with the option to renew.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Iverson to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3731, A Resolution Approving an Independent Contractor Agreement Between Washington County and Focus Creative Solutions, LLC. For Consulting and Graphic Design Services. Motion seconded by Commissioner Almquist and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. R-2026-3732, A RESOLUTION APPOINTING A BOARD MEMBER TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL BOARD OF ANGELL SPRINGS SPECIAL SERVICE DISTRICT

Mr. Snow explained a notice of vacancy was published and two applications were received. Staff has recommended that Stephanie Ward be appointed with a term to expire on December 31, 2027.

MOTION: Motion by Commissioner Almquist to Approve Resolution No. R-2026-3732, A Resolution Appointing a Board Member to the Administrative Control Board of Angell Springs Special Service District. Motion seconded by Commissioner Iverson and carried by unanimous vote, with Commissioners Snow, Almquist and Iverson voting aye

Having no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:38 a.m.



SARAH LLOYD
DEPUTY CLERK



ADAM SNOW
COMMISSION CHAIR