



Wasatch County Council Meeting Minutes

DRAFT Minutes for March 11, 2026

The Wasatch County Council met in work session live and on-line Wednesday, March 11, 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://wasatchcout.portal.civicclerk.com/>) and selecting the desired meeting.

Agenda

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: No public comment in person or zoom.

Call for Agenda Items

Summary: No requests were made for agenda items.

Council Items

1. Heber Valley EIS Update - Craig Hancock

Summary: Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) has provided updates to the Wasatch County Council on a monthly basis as updates to the Heber Valley Corridor project have progressed. On January 7th, 2026, the Draft Environmental Impact Statement

was released to the public. On January 27th, 2026, UDOT held a virtual public comment opportunity via Zoom. On January 28th, 2026, UDOT held an in-person open house and public comment opportunity at Wasatch High School. The public comment period ended on March 9th, 2026.

Craig Hancock provided an update to the Wasatch County Council regarding the Heber Valley Corridor Draft EIS and the comments that were provided by the public. UDOT will need to review the comments and plans to have a statement available in the fall.

Councilmember Rowland thanked UDOT for the opportunity to engage with the public and UDOT to address concerns and options.

2. Discussion and Direction Regarding Council Boards and Assignments - Dustin Grabau

Summary: Council reviewed boards and assignments thoroughly when making assignments in January 2025. That review reconciled discrepancies and improved administrative tracking. In response to some appetite for more substantial reform, options for reorganizing Council's subcommittees were presented in January 2026. No alterations were made at that time, though a desire to continue evaluating potential improvements was generally expressed. Council has asked to revisit the topic in this meeting. Discussion of Council prerogatives for how to organize their legislative responsibilities could include strategizing around inherent constraints of legislative work, detailing process motivations and goals, suggestion of specific improvements or modifications, or the direction for staff to advise on or analyze these or any other relevant topics. Councilmember Rowland shared a presentation of a list of concerns and thoughts of a proposed new method for how we make board assignments.

3. General Plan Land Use Follow-Up - Austin Corry

Summary: The last discussion on the Future Land Use Map was short on available time for discussion. Some adjustments have been made to the map based on the feedback from that meeting and the rough draft of Chapters 3 and 4 are included in the attachments to provide additional context for the discussion. This item is not planned to have a significant presentation from staff and is instead intended to facilitate sufficient time for the Council to provide feedback on the direction of the plan.

Planning asked council to provide policy direction for the Future Land Use Map that was previously presented. There was clarification that the land use map does not affect the zoning map.

Council/Board Reports

Summary: Councilmember Bonner: The Weed Board will be posting on the website how weeds are going to be starting early this year due to warmth with information about spray days and different types of weeds to watch out for, especially on large empty property.

Councilmember Rowland: The Open Lands Board committee talked about what more could

be done as a community and ways the council might be able to help promote public awareness. They talked about having a festival. Rowland may come back with a request for the Council to contribute things like the Parks and Rec facility or a parking lot where the festival could take place.

Councilmember Bonner: Erik, Dustin and I and Heber City and some consultants we hired met for some ideas for this block (Current Admin Building block). Councilmember Rowland The scope at first was just our property but has since grown to do the entire block in collaboration with the City. The consultants will be giving feedback soon.

Councilmember Crittenden: Saturday, March 14th is the Feed Utah food drive. Our local food bank will be open from 9 to 1 to collect donations from the public. There's a QR code that can be scanned on the advertisement to identify what is needed. Reminder about the March 21st self-reliance fair and that councilmembers are signed up for Meals on Wheels on the 20th.

Manager's Report

Summary: There was no items for the managers 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: There ws no need for a closed session.

Adjournment

Councilmember Nelson, made a motion to adjourn. **Councilmember Rowland**, seconded the motion.

All agreed.

Karl McMillan/Chairman

Joey D. Granger/Clerk/Auditor

