



Wasatch County Council Meeting Minutes

APPROVED Minutes for March 18, 2026

The Wasatch County Council met in regular session live and on-line Wednesday, March 18, 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.

Agenda

Call to Order

1. Prayer/Remarks – Colleen Bonner
2. Pledge of Allegiance – Karl McMillan

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: Angelo Maroto represents Woodland Estates Homeowners Association. I'm here to bring attention to the bridge that crosses the Provo River. This bridge serves as our main access to our community. We believe it was built in 1941. We are looking for directions on how to get help to repair it in case of floods and it being washed out.

Bob Thomas, resident of Woodland Estates, states he saw the bridge get washed out in 1983. He asked for direction and help from the County.

Call for Agenda Items

Summary: Councilmember Bonner: requested to research the bridge issue in woodland estates, whether Summit County needs to be involved, and put it on a future agenda. Bonner suggested it be added to the work meeting in April.

Council Items

1. Discussion and direction of implementing updated Parks & Recreation Impact Fees – Dustin Grabau & Heath Coleman

Summary: Wasatch County Parks & Recreation has been working with Zion's Bank to conduct an Impact Fee Study that would update the Impact Fee Facilities Plan (IFFP) and the Impact Fee Analysis (IFA) that would propose new impact fees for residential construction in unincorporated portions of the county. The analysis includes current plans for parks facilities and the costs attributable to new growth. The analysis would justify notable increases in parks impact fees to maintain the current level of service. The Council has discretion to adopt a fee below the maximum identified within the analysis. More information was requested to continue the discussion on how would the council like to proceed with the Parks Impact Fees.

No motion was made.

2. Briefing on the "Wasatch County 2025 Preliminary Financial Report" – Randy Bates

Summary: The purpose of this item is for staff to present to the county council the "Wasatch County 2025 Preliminary Financial Report" which will show preliminary fund balances for the 2025 year-end. This is in lieu of waiting until 2025 when audited financial statements are available. Randy Bates suggested that Council could advise any boards that they sit on to put pressure on them to get their financial audits completed and sent to him by June so we can finish the County's audit.

No motion was made.

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

Summary: Staff will bring a new scenario 'F' with some minor changes that lean more into the agricultural character as discussed at the last Council meeting on March 11, 2026. Planning provided follow-up modifying policy direction towards agricultural designation for the Future Land Use Map. Council's direction is for Planning to go ahead with starting with writing the general plan and getting public comment.

Action Taken: No official action was taken on this item.

Action Taken: Councilmember Bonner made a motion to go into Public Hearing for Deer Knoll Dr LLC. Councilmember Nelson seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Aye: Colleen Bonner, Erik Rowland, Karl McMillan, Kendall Crittenden, Luke Searle, Mark Nelson, Spencer Park

Voting Nay: None

Council/Board Reports

Summary: Councilmember Nelson, I went to the water conference and learned that this year Utah is only going to survive because there is such high ground moisture. Next year will be a lot different if we don't receive moisture this coming season.

The other thing I wanted to mention, I was reading an article on KSL regarding UDOT breaking ground transformational 2100 N Freeway. It's 2.8 miles and is going to cost \$600 million dollars and will be built in two years. I encourage you to look up the article and read it due to our situation in our valley.

Councilmember Bonner, the dredging at the sewer plant is finished, and the farm is being put out to bid. We're just going to contract this year instead of having a new employee. Brian Provost is going to retire. Also, it was mentioned a big developer is putting pressure to annex into Heber City, a piece of ground from 3000 to 2400 South north of the light. Charleston would like to keep that area for commercials for their area.

Councilmember Crittenden, Dustin, Clint, I and other Solid Waste employees went down on a tour of the trans-Jordan transfer station. They have a pretty smooth operation.

Also, Meal on Wheels. Does everyone remember their time?

Councilmember Searle, One week in April we were looking at an additional language of the MOU with Heber City, or a new one with preservation so that each entity could think of ideas on 900 E to River rd.

Manager's Report

Summary: Dustin Grabau advised the County launched a new website.

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.

Action Taken: Councilmember Park made a motion to **go into closed session for everything, legal, personnel, and land acquisition. Councilmember McMillan** seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Aye: Colleen Bonner, Erik Rowland, Karl McMillan, Kendall Crittenden, Luke Searle, Mark Nelson, Spencer Park

Voting Nay: None

The County Council met in a Closed Session to discuss the topic of "Purchase, Exchange or Lease of Property."

The individuals present for the litigation portion of the Closed Session meeting were: Council Members McMillan, Bonner, Rowland, Searle, Crittenden, Nelson, and Park. Others: Dustin Grabau, Heber Lefgren, Alex Stodter, Doug Smith, Wendy McKnight, Tierra Cooper

The individuals present for the property portion of the Closed Session meeting were: Council Members McMillan, Bonner, Rowland, Searle, Crittenden, Nelson, and Park. Others: Dustin Grabau, Heber Lefgren, Alex Stoedter, Wendy McKnight, Tiarra Cooper

The individuals present for the personnel portion of the Closed Session meeting were: Council Members McMillan, Bonner, Rowland, Searle, Crittenden, Nelson, and Park. Others: Dustin Grabau, Heber Lefgren, Alex Stoedter

Closed Session ended at 6:53 PM

Public Hearings 6:00

1. Jason Rickards, representing Deer Knoll Dr LLC, requests a Plat Amendment in order to vacate Lot 5A and a portion of Deer Knoll Drive from the Diamond Bar X Ranch Subdivision, No. 6 Third Amended. The road east of the intersection of Deer Knoll Drive and Aspen Loop Road is proposed to be private and be vacated along with lot 5A into the HOVAS Diamond Bar X Ranch subdivision which would replace the Milton Diamond Bar X Ranch subdivision. The project is located in the Preservation (P160) zone. (DEV-10185)

Summary: This plat amendment and road vacate was previously approved by the County Council on May 17, 2023. The former approvals were an amendment to the Milton Diamond Bar-X plat recorded in 2020. The approvals expired due to the subdivision plat not being recorded within the required 12-month time frame per section 16.01.16 of the Wasatch County code. The current applicant is requesting the same approvals as the former application. The same conditions are being recommended as well. Whether the proposed amendment and road vacate meets the standards for 'good cause' as required by Utah Code Annotated §17-79-713 and other applicable ordinances governing the land use in Wasatch County. This determination is a legislative decision to be made by the Wasatch County Council after a recommendation by the Planning Commission. Doug Smith presented the history of the application and the planning commission's recommendations with prior council actions. There was no public comment.

Action Taken: Councilmember Nelson, made a motion to **approve this plat amendment as presented with the findings and conditions that have been presented.**

Councilmember Rowland, seconded the motion. The motion passed the following vote:

Voting Aye: Colleen Bonner, Erik Rowland, Karl McMillan, Kendall Crittenden, Luke Searle, Mark Nelson, Spencer Park

Voting Nay: None

Action Taken: Councilmember Crittenden, made a motion to **leave the public hearing and go back to the regular agenda. Councilmember Bonner,** seconded the motion. The

motion passed the following vote:

Voting Aye: Colleen Bonner, Erik Rowland, Karl McMillan, Kendall Crittenden, Luke Searle, Mark Nelson, Spencer Park

Voting Nay: None

Adjournment

Action Taken: Councilmember Nelson made a motion to **adjourn. Councilmember Rowland**, seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following vote:

Voting Aye: Colleen Bonner, Erik Rowland, Karl McMillan, Kendall Crittenden, Luke Searle, Mark Nelson, Spencer Park

Voting Nay: None


Chair


Joey D. Granger/Clerk/Auditor

