

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

APRIL 6, 2026

The regular meeting of the Juab County Commission was held April 6, 2026, 10:00 a.m. in the Juab County Commission Chambers, 160 North Main, Nephi, Utah.

Marty Palmer ----- Commissioner

Clinton Painter ----- Commissioner

Marvin Kenison ----- Commissioner

Jared Rowley ----- Deputy Attorney

Tanielle Callaway----- Clerk/Auditor

Others present: Myrna Trauntvein, Kristin Miller, Danny Stewart, Travis Kyhl, Shay Morrison, Stephanie Hebert, Carlo Haro, Jake Hadfield, David Fletcher, Brent Boswell

Chairman Painter welcomed all in attendance. Commissioner Kenison offered a word of prayer. Jared Rowley led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes from March 16, 2026.

Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Heather Williams-Young gave the semi-annual VOCA report for July–December 2025. She stated there are 157 active cases with 16 new (low), 28 closed, 41 victims served; child sexual abuse was the most common allegation. Victim advocate Heather Robertson made 200 referrals and provided crisis intervention, advocacy, and helped accessing reparations and trauma treatment. Ms. Williams-Young noted lower case numbers in that period, but stated they are rising back toward normal this year. She reported the new center is nearing drywall/flooring and parking work with an anticipated August open house. The commissioners thanked her for the report and commented on the great things they do for our community.

Stephanie Hebert introduced herself as the new Fish Springs National Wildlife Refuge manager (temporary since Dec. 19, permanent Mar. 8). She noted her background as a search-and-rescue canine handler and veteran, and offered SAR support to the county. She described being the sole station employee, staffing/equipment shortfalls, including an old grader needing repairs and weed control issues. She requested the county help with roads and noxious-weed control. She said the refuge is reopening basic services and she offered bunkhouse space for county use, exchanged contact info, and will coordinate with the county's travel/tourism director on birding and outreach.

Danny Stewart with Utah Inland Port Authority presented Amendment 3 to add specific parcels (including two in the Agri Park zone and parcels in the Nebo North zone) into the Central Utah Agri Park/inland port project area. He had a presentation showing maps and parcel numbers and noting the main blue area is approximately 1,100 acres. He stated the county would adopt the resolution, the project area plan/budget would be updated, and the amendment sent to

the Inland Port Authority. Commissioners asked about gaps on the map and parcel ownership/acreage. Mr. Stewart said parcels could be added if owners chose to develop. He stated he would provide parcel details by email.

Commissioner Palmer asked how much control the county has over businesses brought into the inland port. Danny said the port follows a bottom-up approach working with community partners, and the county has ultimate say over business types and how tax-increment funds are invested. He explained revenues (generally 75% of new increment for 25 years) are intended for public infrastructure and community needs (roads, utilities, workforce training, housing, incentives). Mr. Stewart gave Ash Grove as an example, and affirmed agreements would be handled case-by-case. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to adopt Resolution 2026-03 supporting the amendment of the property into the Central Utah Agri-Park Inland Port Project Area. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Shay Morrison with R6 reviewed upcoming events, including their regional Growth Summit, UCMA/ULCT conferences. He reminded commissioners the CIB May 1st deadline to submit projects via the new Utah Project Portal is coming up and explained the portal's entity-level (not county-level) prioritization and recommended keeping project lists focused. He stated one strong project improves chances. Mr. Morrison offered to help verify portal entries. He also reported on recent work, including wildland-urban interface code adoption support, annual training delivery, grant applications (railroad crossing, CDBG pickleball courts), ADU ordinance help in Mona, and coordination with Nephi on WUI/map adoption. Travis Kyhl indicated they were able to get funding restored for Shay Morrison's position and they were excited for that. The funding had been cut a year ago, but they were able to get it restored this spring.

Travis Kyhl next reported that there are some program funding concerns and the heat assistance and weatherization program fundings are down due to federal/state allocation formulas (weighted toward population growth on the Wasatch Front). He stated this threatens local program dollars, so they may push for minimum allocations to sustain services. He also updated that Sunrise Engineering, Jones & DeMille Engineering and other firms are advancing master planning for the Agri Park with Nephi on zoning/annexation. Jeff Tanner has started in economic development and is coordinating with the port. He stated Jeff Fraser was hired for GOEO (Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity) outreach. He indicated their planning efforts are progressing. The Commissioners thanked Mr. Morrison and Mr. Kyhl for all of the help that R6 provides to Juab County.

Carlo Haro came before the Commission to request a change in the temporary beer ordinance. He requested a fifth temporary beer permit be allowed for events. He has upcoming events scheduled in May, June and July. The current county ordinance allows only four single-event beer permits (max three days each), while state temporary alcohol permits allow different limits depending on whether it's beer or liquor. Commissioners discussed statutory limits, including the 90-day/year cap. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to table the matter pending an ordinance amendment allowing up to six single-event permits. Commissioner

Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor. The Commissioners requested Mr. Haro's contact info for follow-up.

Other Business:

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the Juab County bills as presented. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

There were several personnel action forms for approval. The first is for Kevin Bailey to correct a payroll error that reduced his pay. There was confusion when his longevity was put in. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve the personnel action form including retro pay. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The next are all for EMS. They are: Brandon Reese going full time to part time; Kristin Tudsandos going from part time to full time; Barclay Beveridge as a new full-time paramedic and Tanner Tew as a PRN AEMT. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve the personnel action forms. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The next item was to ratify the BLM contract with the Weed Department. There were some changes with the language due to legislative changes. There were no changes to the total amount of the contract. The contract was due March 31st, so it had previously been signed by Chairman Painter. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve Resolution 2026-02 for the 2026 county fee schedule. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

The Commissioners discussed EMS re-licensure and the need to designate an official 911 EMS provider for the county per SB 215 and Utah code. Cities must also adopt designations also. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to table the re-licensure RFP/selection discussion pending more information and city coordination. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Tanielle Callaway presented a draft fraud-and-abuse reporting ordinance defining fraud, reporting and investigation procedures, whistleblower protections and penalties. The Commissioners clarified reporting pathways (to a supervisor or directly to the chief administrative officer if the supervisor is implicated), requested minor language tweaks for clarity. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to adopt Ordinance 2026-02. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Painter called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, "Yes."

Commissioner Kenison voted, "Yes."

Chairman Painter voted, "Yes."

Ms. Callaway next presented a public fundraising and deposit policy requiring cash from remote locations be brought to the clerk's office daily if practicable and no later than every three

business days (with same-day deposit for large amounts — over \$5,000); discussion covered practical timing during tax season, preferred wording (“should” vs “shall”), and clerk/auditor procedures. Commissioner Kenison made a motion to adopt the policy by Resolution 2026-04 and authorizing the chair to sign. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Attorney Perry Davis prepared an updated building and safety codes ordinance to replace the 2008 version by referencing current state construction codes (aligning county building inspection with state standards). Commissioner Kenison made a motion to approve Ordinance 2026-03 and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Palmer seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Painter called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, “Yes.”

Commissioner Kenison voted, “Yes.”

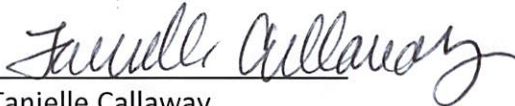
Chairman Painter voted, “Yes.”

Kristin Miller presented a grant contract on behalf of Shanna Memmott. The grant is through the State of Utah for up to \$15,000 and coordinated with DUP funds to support restoration work at the territorial jail (including addressing grass/ground causing water intrusion). Jared Rowley asked if the County Attorney had a chance to review the contract. Ms. Miller stated she had just received it from Ms. Memmott and had not sent it to him yet, but was planning on asking him to review it. Mr. Rowley quickly reviewed and requested a venue change to Fourth District Court (Juab County). Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the grant contract pending legal review and minor edits and authorize the chair to sign. Commissioner Kenison seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Commissioner Kenison reported that an appeal has been filed with the Interior Board of Land Appeals regarding the Pine Valley Water Project, noting concerns about significant disparity between proposed withdrawals and recharge that could harm the aquifer. The Commissioners expressed disbelief and concern about the project’s impacts on the regional aquifer.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: 
Tanielle Callaway
Juab County Clerk/Auditor

APPROVED: 
Clinton Painter
Commission Chair