

Minutes of the Commission Meeting of the Board of Commissioners, Carbon County, State of Utah, held Wednesday, May 20, 2026 in the Commission Room of the Administration Building, Price, Utah, commencing at 4:30 p.m.

Those present: Jared Haddock, Commission Chair
Tony Martines, Commissioner
Larry Jensen, Commissioner

Also present: Christian Bryner, County Attorney
Geni Hawk, Commission Secretary
Kourtney Cox, Recreation Director
Lori Perez, Chief Deputy Clerk
Caitlin Giraud, Deputy Clerk
Kellie Payne, HR Director
Jeff Wood, Sheriff

Commissioner Haddock welcomed everyone to the meeting and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

1) Approval of minutes

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 6, 2026 Commission Meeting. Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

2) Carbon Care Coalition presentation

McKenna Terry and Diane Grasso presented the Heart and Character Award to Abby Bryant and Zander Carrillo. The two youth independently set up a project to provide hygiene packets, clothing, and food to homeless individuals and people struggling with addiction. They also partnered with a local restaurant, Farlainos, to host a spaghetti dinner for those in need.

3) Utah Department of Transportation presentation on improvements to the Spring Glen, Carbonville road and Consumers road intersections - Brent Hadfield

UDOT project manager Brent Hadfield presented updates on the US-6 intersection improvements project.

- **Design Shift:** Initially, an "intersection control evaluation study" recommended an "R-cut" (restricted crossing U-turn). However, after receiving 58 public comments expressing concerns about the safety of U-turn movements, the "weave" movement, and the impact on large trucks and slow-moving farm equipment, UDOT revised the plan. The new design features "High-T" intersections, U-Turn movements and barriers.
- **Traffic Changes:** A major change is that the left-hand turn from Spring Glen toward Price will remain open and be guided by a barrier and traffic signal. Left-hand turns from Carbonville Road onto Highway 6 will be permanently shut off due to space constraints for an acceleration lane.
- **Fairgrounds Road:** The Commissioners and Brent Hadfield also addressed upcoming upgrades to Fairgrounds Road, clarifying that it is a joint highway funding project that has been in development since 2021 and has nothing to do with rumors of an LDS temple being built on nearby property.

4) Consideration and possible approval of turning ownership of East Carbon Senior Center building over to East Carbon City

Carolyn Abeyta the Mayor of East Carbon requested the transfer of the county-owned Senior Center building to the city, noting that the building is currently only used four days a week for limited hours. The city hopes to use the space for youth events, movie nights, and a relocated food bank. The current senior activities, employees and food deliveries will remain unchanged.

Attorney Christian Bryner stated that a title search for the property was needed to ensure there were no outstanding encumbrances.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to request a title search to facilitate the transfer of the building and property to East Carbon City.

Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

5) Consideration and possible approval of a partnering with ALTIGEN (Jurassic Spark Project) for a natural gas pipeline right of way across Bureau of Land Management property

Altigen intends to build natural gas power plants on private property east of Wellington. To streamline the installation of a natural gas pipeline across the North Coal Creek area, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) offered an option for Carbon County to hold the right-of-way. Altigen will be entirely responsible for all environmental work, costs, maintenance, and erosion control. Clarification was made that Carbon County was not paying for this.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve entering into the beginning stages of the right-of-way across the Bureau of Land Management for ALTIGEN (Jurassic Spark Project) agreement.

Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

6) Consideration and possible approval of an applicant to be appointed to the Carbon County Housing Authority Board to serve out the remainder of an open term, expiring on 12/31/2028

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve Edward Chavez of Helper to fill the open term on the housing board expiring 12/31/2028.

Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

7) Adjourn as Carbon County Board of Commissioners and convene as Carbon County Board of Equalization

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to adjourn as Carbon County Board of Commissioners and convene as the Carbon County Board of Equalization.

Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried.

8) Consideration and possible approval of Business Personal Property Accounts for tax exemption in 2026, according to Utah Code 59-2-1115 - Amy Peters

Amy Peters explained that under Utah code 59-2-1115 businesses are eligible for a tax exemption on tangible personal property if the total aggregate fair market value of the property is \$30,100 or less per tax payer within a single county. She explained that the business owner must apply for the personal property exemption within 60 days.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to approve the eligible Business Personal Property Accounts for tax exemptions in 2026 for Utah Code 59-2-1115.

Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

9) Adjourn as Carbon County Board of Equalization and reconvene as Carbon County Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Martines made a motion to adjourn as the Carbon County Board of Equalization and reconvene as the Carbon County Board of Commissioners.

Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

10) Review and possible approval of an amendment to Ordinance 455, An Ordinance of the Carbon County Board of Commissioners Prescribing the Manner by Which Carbon County Shall Procure Services and Property

This amendment updates the county's procurement policy by raising the threshold that requires a purchase order from \$1,000 to \$2,000 to account for inflation, which will save time and money. The amendment also addresses the sale of county real property intended for economic development, stipulating that purchasers must begin construction or development within two years, or the property will revert back to the county.

Commissioner Martines made a motion to issue approval for the amendment of Ordinance 455, An Ordinance of Carbon County Board of Commissioners Prescribing the manner by which Carbon County Shall Procure Services and Property

Commissioner Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

11) Review and possible approval of an amendment to Ordinance 516, An Ordinance Amending the Carbon County Procurement Policy

Attorney Christian Bryner clarified that in Ordinance 516 rules regarding "surplus property" do not conflict with the new rules in Ordinance 455 concerning property specifically designated for economic development.

Commissioner Jensen made a motion to approve an amendment to Ordinance 516 Amending the Carbon County Procurement Policy.

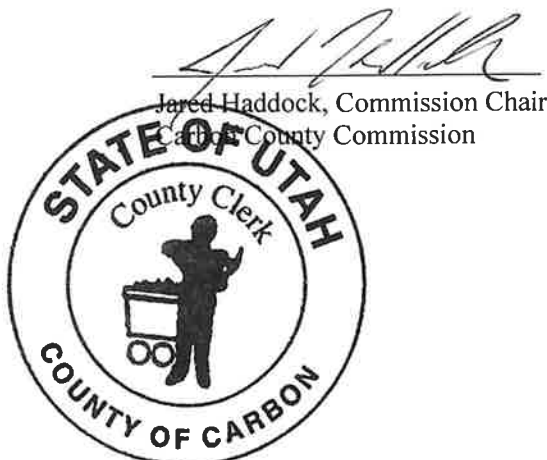
Commissioner Martines seconded. Motion carried

12) Review and approval of departmental reports

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

ATTEST:


Seth Marsing, County Clerk/Auditor





U.S. Route 6

Consumers Rd to Carbonville Rd

 **SAFETY PROJECT**
by **UDOT**

Brent Hadfield, P.E.
UDOT Project Manager

Carbon County Commission
May 19, 2026

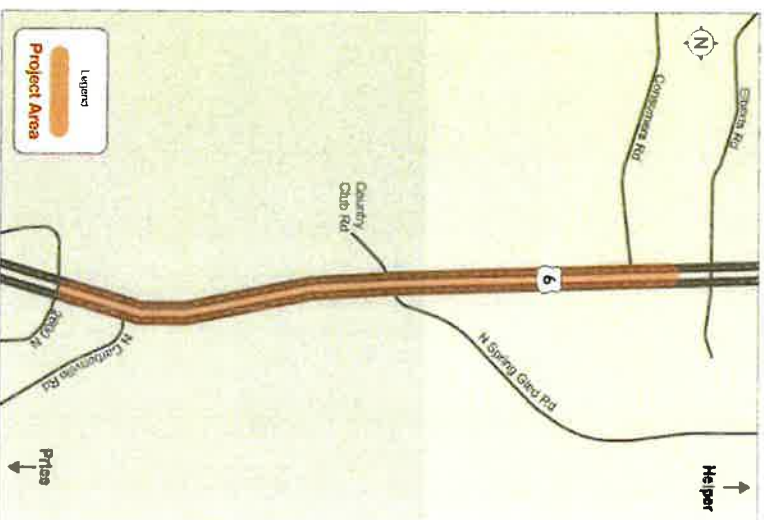
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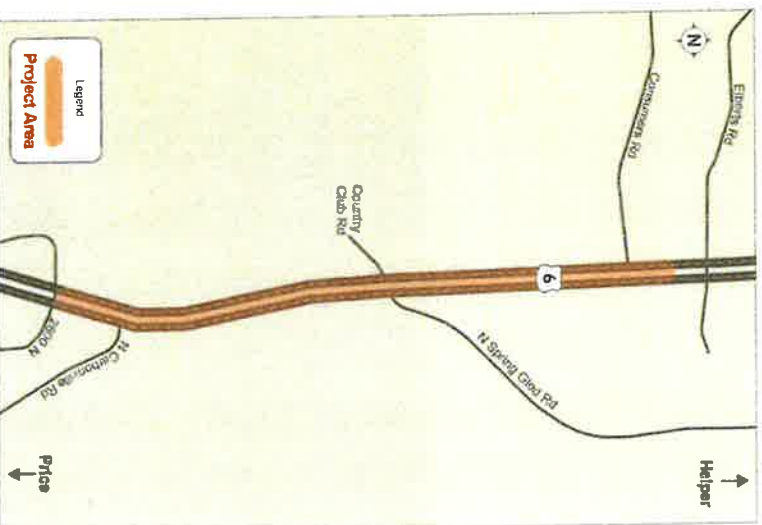
U.S. Route 6 Consumers Rd to Carbonville Rd **SAFETY PROJECT** by UDOT

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 - UDOT completed an Intersection Control Evaluation Study (ICE)
 - ICE Study recommended a Restricted Crossing U-Turn (RCUT)
- July 2025
 - UDOT funded a project to Improve intersections on U.S. 6 from Consumers Road to Carbonville Road.
- February 2026
 - UDOT held a public hearing



Public Hearing

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- 6 general themes came from the comments:
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 - Concern about vehicles making a right from Spring Glen road and accelerating across 2 lanes of traffic before Consumers Road (Weaving movement).
 - Why UDOT did not look at other alignments that had higher costs associated (such as interchanges).
 - Slow moving equipment and farm equipment.
 - Driver behavior changing because of inconvenience and driving through Helper Main Street.
 - Access Concerns.



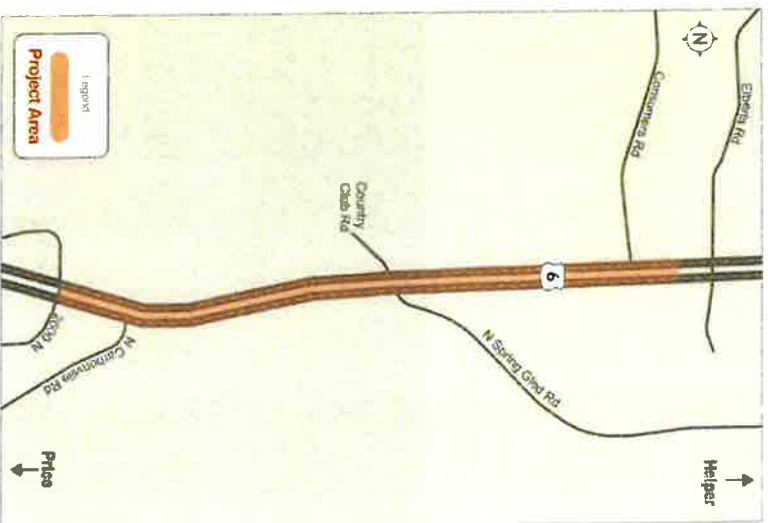
Responses will be available as part of the Environmental Document

Project Website:

udotinput.utah.gov/us6carbonvillesafety



What has changed



- UDOT adjusted from a Restricted Crossing U-Turn to 3 High-T signalized intersections.
 - Consumers Road
 - Spring Glen Road
 - Carbonville Road
- Live Map Presentation

U.S. Route 6

Consumers Rd to Carbonville Rd
SAFETY PROJECT
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THANK YOU

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US-6; Improve Ints, Consumers Rd to Carbonville Rd

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