



ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS

**Uintah Basin Economic Development District
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Daggett County Courthouse
95 North 100 West
Manila, UT 84046
June 25, 2026
10:15 a.m.**

AGENDA

I. WELCOME

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| A. | Call to Order | Chairman Watkins |
| B. | Conflict of Interest Declaration | Chairman Watkins |
| C. | Approval of UBEDD March 26, 2026 Minutes | Chairman Watkins |

II. NEW BUSINESS

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| A. | Introducing Town Centers | Ajla Hadzialijagic/GOPB |
| B. | Self Help/ Housing Update | Laurie Brummond |
| C. | Legislative Update | All Elected Officials
Congressional Staff |

III. ADJOURN

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED AT 12:15 PM. EVERYONE IS INVITED –

Thank you, Daggett County for hosting!

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**UINTAH BASIN ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
Uintah County Conference Room
152 East 100 North
Vernal, Utah 84078
March 26, 2026
10:15 a.m.**

ATTENDANCE

EDD Board Members Present:

Clyde Watkins – **1st Vice Chairman**
Willis LeFevre - **Secretary**
Matt Tippets
Greg Miles
Jeff Chugg
Tracy Killian
Sonja Norton
Scott Allen Phillip
Nile Mathisen
Deborah Heron
Kathi Knight
Brock Arnold
Corey Foley

Duchesne County Water Conservancy District
Uintah County Commissioner
Daggett County Commissioner
Duchesne County Commissioner
Duchesne County Commissioner
Duchesne County Commissioner
Uintah County Commissioner
Altamont Town Mayor
Ballard City Mayor
Duchesne City Mayor
Manila Town Mayor
Naples City Mayor
Vernal City Mayor

EDD Board Members Absent:

Randy Asay - **Chairman**
Jack Lytle
John Laursen
Butch Johns
Linda Harrington
Tommy Olsen - **Excused**
Terry Hughes

Daggett County Commissioner
Daggett County Commissioner
Uintah County Commissioner
Dutch John Town Mayor
Myton City Mayor
Roosevelt City Mayor
Tabiona Town Mayor

Guests

Quinn Bennion
Sara Bell
Marty Partridge
Peggy White
Zac Whitwell
Lori Haslem
Kirk Bengé
Kyla Allred
Travis Campbell
Conner Haus
Lynn Sitterud
Joel Brown
Ron Winterton

Vernal City Manager
Vernal City
Vernal Area Chamber of Commerce
Daggett County Economic Development
DWS
GOLEO
Tri-County Health
UBTECH
Uintah County
Mike Kennedy's Office UT03
Senator Curtis' Office
Senator Lee's Office
State Senate

UBAOG Staff:

Laurie Brummond

Kevin Yack

Jeremy Garlick

Nate Zilles

Carl Conrad

Tawnya Gallup

Executive Director

Economic Development Director

Chief Financial Officer

Community Development Administrator

BTA

Receptionist



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**UINTAH BASIN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Uintah County Conference Room

152 East 100 North

Vernal, UT

March 26, 2026

10:15 a.m.

MINUTES

1. WELCOME

a. Call to Order

- i. Clyde Watkins

b. Conflict of Interest Declaration

- i. None

c. Approval of UBEDD October 23, 2025 minutes

- i. Motion:
 - 1. 1st by Commissioner Miles
 - 2. 2nd by Commissioner Norton
 - a. Approved unanimously

2. NEW BUSINESS

a. Vernal City Creative Housing Solutions

- i. Presented by Vernal City Manager, Quinn Bennion
- ii. Bennion referred to a 2024 Wellness Survey conducted at the state level meant to identify each region's self identified greatest challenges, with housing issues as the top subject. Bennion covered a new housing opportunity creating 18 effective "homes" in a four-story structure called, "Jurassic Heights." He continued by covering zoning specs for 'tiny homes'.

b. Affordable Housing Update

- i. Presented by UBAOG Executive Director, Laurie Brummond.
- ii. Brummond covered challenges around affordable housing costs including sales cost, rates, and government gap assistance (plot purchases) being removed by the state. She called on Senator Ron Winterton to determine if there are any other ways to make up for lost funds for plot purchases.

Finally, she turned to the UB Tech to seek out resource procurement, namely where the UB Tech acquires its lumber.

c. Legislative Update

- i. Senator Winterton spoke during the request on the previous action item.

d. UBEDD Elections:

- i. **Clyde Watkins, Chair**
- ii. **Willis LeFevre, 1st Vice Chair**
- iii. **Nominee - Commissioner Matt Tippetts, 2nd Chair**

1. Motion:

- a. 1st by Commissioner Miles
- b. 2nd by Commissioner Norton

3. ADJOURN

Tawnya Gallup, Secretary _____ **Date** _____

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