

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

JUNE 1, 2026

The regular meeting of the Juab County Commission was held June 1, 2026, 10:00 a.m. in the Juab County Commission Chambers, 160 North Main, Nephi, Utah.

Marty Palmer ----- Commissioner

Clinton Painter ----- Commissioner

Perry Davis ----- Attorney

Tanielle Callaway----- Clerk/Auditor

Others present: Myrna Trauntvein, Joran Carter, Kristy Carter, Shanna Memmott, Zack Buck, David Fletcher, Seth Atkinson, HD Sanderson, Jamie Garrett, Amy Taylor, Debbie Zirbes, Melanie Cowan, Jared Rowley, Breanna Rowley, Chris Painter, Drake Underwood, Travis Kenison

Chairman Painter welcomed all in attendance. He excused Commissioner Kenison who was out of town and not present. Chairman Painter offered a word of prayer and led us in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Painter used a moment of personal privilege to provide a detailed history and status update on the multi-year land/boundary exchange discussions with Utah County and Santaquin City. He reviewed prior offers (including an interchange and possible cash concessions), repeated negotiations and meetings with Utah County officials, involvement of the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) and regional representatives. He noted legal/property complications discovered (e.g., splitting patented mine claims), the proposed exchange is currently on hold while the parties work to resolve boundary and legal concerns. He stated they are working on scheduling a meeting to try and get a resolution in place.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to accept the minutes from May 18, 2026. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Amy Taylor presented the annual program update with year-to-date statistics through mid-May, reporting an overall 11% decrease in cases (316 to 280) with domestic violence remaining the largest category decrease and sexual abuse slightly decreased. She clarified that child abuse is included in the domestic category and that the "other" category generally reflects incidents involving visitors or people passing through the county. Ms. Taylor noted remaining caseloads for the year, confirmed continued state funding support, and answered commissioners' questions about categories and data.

Commissioners and staff recognized County Attorney Perry Davis on his final commission meeting after long service since the late 1990s. Commissioners thanked Perry for his legal guidance and steady service, noting his help keeping the commission compliant and out of legal trouble. Perry acknowledged staff—particularly Amy Taylor—for their dedication (noting her

on-call response to victims), and commissioners expressed appreciation for both Perry's contributions and the broader county team.

Shanna Memmott presented the annual transient room tax/TRCC expenditure report. She stated that 100% is used for marketing and described how tourism data demonstrated the tax is paid largely by visitors. Chairman Painter pointed out that Ms. Memmott helped defeat a proposed statewide restructuring and he thanked her for all her hard work. Ms. Memmott requested permission to apply for the Co-op grant using TRT funds as the 50/50 match. She stated she would like to request the full amount. She also requested they sign a letter of support. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the grant application and authorize the Commission Chair to sign the letter of support. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Ms. Memmott also reported on community outreach efforts including the Pails for Nails cleanup. They have collected 383 lbs of nails. She noted Juab County will host the Utah Office of Tourism board retreat later this week. She thanked staff and partners for their support.

Jamie Garrett presented the Juab County Fair items including the bleacher payment and the approved tractor volunteer list for 2026. She reviewed the volunteer names and committees, discussed training expectations with Chris and Bart, and recommended adding a few additional volunteers. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the tractor volunteer list as presented. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Lt. Drake Underwood requested approval to place additional decommissioned vehicles and miscellaneous equipment on public surplus, which included added a Tahoe, an F-150, a 1999 Buick, take-off tires, and unused jail kitchen equipment. The Commissioners discussed condition and pricing. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve declaring the additional vehicles and equipment as surplus and approve them for sale. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Lt. Travis Kenison gave the Commissioners a copy of a recent threat assessment they had conducted. He stated he did get this on the Commission meeting in time, but he would put it on for the next meeting and wanted the Commissioners to have a chance to review it before it was discussed.

Commissioners discussed the proposed County Attorney staff pay increase and agreed to route the matter through the Employee Pay Committee for review. Commissioner Palmer moved to table the pay increase pending that committee process. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Other Business:

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

There were six personnel action forms for approval. The first is for EMS. They have a new volunteer EMT and a part-time PRN. They are for Matthew Pill and Brian Call. The other two forms are for the seasonal employees for buildings and grounds. They are Trevor Lee, Carson Nielson, Landon Hooper and Bridger Buck. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the personnel action forms as stated. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Following notice of County Attorney Perry Davis's upcoming retirement, the clerk sent statutorily required vacancy letters to 11 Juab County-licensed attorneys. There was only one applicant, Jared Rowley, who is currently working in the county attorney's office, who responded by the deadline. The Commissioners reviewed the statutory appointment process, confirmed the vacancy effective June 15, 2026. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to appoint Jared Rowley to fill the County Attorney vacancy. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor. The Commissioners discussed when he would take the Oath of Office. It has been scheduled to take place before the next meeting on June 16, 2026.

Staff presented a revised county fee schedule updating planning and zoning, building permit, and road department fees to reflect recent state legislative changes. The commissioners reviewed the updates. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to approve the updated fee schedule with Resolution 2026-06. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. All voted in favor.

Attorney Perry Davis explained a proposed ordinance adopting state law provisions on void and unenforceable contract clauses (with county-specific modifications) as recommended by Utah County Indemnity Pool counsel to protect the county when signing contracts. The ordinance will be incorporated into the county purchasing ordinance and offered as a template for smaller counties. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt Juab County Ordinance 2026-06 and authorized the chair to sign. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Painter called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, "Yes."

Chairman Painter voted, "Yes."

Commissioner Kenison was marked as absent.

The Commissioners next discussed a proposed temporary land-use moratorium to pause new conditional-use approvals, noting existing/ongoing applications would be exempt. This is so the county can study and update land-use policy, with particular focus on data centers, water availability, infrastructure and long-term growth planning. The Commissioners noted Central Utah Water Project had begun a related study. Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adopt the 180-day moratorium by Juab County Ordinance 2026-07. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Painter called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, "Yes."

Chairman Painter voted, "Yes."

Commissioner Kenison was marked as absent.

Attorney Perry Davis reviewed the indigent burial policy, noting recent cases where families sought to have decedents processed outside Juab County. The policy requires county-funded indigent burials/cremations be handled locally (via in-county funeral providers) to preserve county oversight and public funds. The Commissioners agreed the county should continue requiring in-county services. Attorney Davis will provide updated policy forms to Anderson Funeral Home and county staff to clarify procedures.

Staff reported that current county policy permits use of county credit cards for food only when authorized travel/per diem applies. Any broader authorization (e.g., for meetings, catered events, or department gatherings) would require coordinated revisions to the purchasing ordinance, credit-card policy and personnel policy. The Commissioners expressed concern about potential misuse, asked staff to email department heads immediately reminding them of the existing restriction, and suggested the employee/pay committee to draft proposed guidelines (including limits, purposes, and approval processes) for non-travel food purchases for legal review and subsequent commission consideration.

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to move to Closed Session for the purpose of litigation. Chairman Painter seconds the motion, no opposition, motion carries. Chairman Painter called for a roll call vote.

Commissioner Palmer voted, "Yes."

Chairman Painter voted, "Yes."

Commissioner Palmer made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST: Tanielle Callaway
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Juab County Clerk/Auditor

APPROVED: Clinton Painter
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Commission Chair