



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers
July 07, 2026, at 11:00 AM

MINUTES

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VIDEO: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sqE4mjgrUUU>

CALL TO ORDER

Time Stamp 0:00:01 (audio) & (video)

Commission Chair Lori Maughan called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Time Stamp 0:00:09 (audio) & video)

Commission Chair Lori Maughan asked for attendance:

COMMISSION

Lori Maughan, Chair

Jamie Harvey, Vice-Chair

Silvia Stubbs, Commissioner

STAFF

Lyman W. Duncan, Clerk/Auditor

Mitch Maughan, County Attorney

Jens Nielson, Deputy County Attorney

Talia Hansen, Economic Development Director

Tranner Sharpe, Human Resources

Mike Moulton, Public Health Interim Public Director

TJ Adair, Road Superintendent

Nick Sandberg, Public Lands Coordinator

Sam Long, Facilities Maintenance Director

INVOCATION

Time Stamp 0:00:22 (audio) & video)

Talia Hansen, resident Blanding, offered the opening prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Time Stamp 0:01:35 (audio) & video)

Jamie Harvey, resident of Montezuma Creek, led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Time Stamp 0:02:02 (audio) & video)

Commission Chair Lori Maughan asked the commission if anyone had any conflicts of interest with today's commission agenda. Each replied they did not have any conflicts of interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments will be accepted through the following Zoom Meet link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88279631170> Meeting ID: 882 7963 1170 One tap mobile
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There will be a three-minute time limit for each person wishing to comment. If you exceed that three-minute time limit the meeting controller will mute your line.

As indicated in our Commission Policies and Procedures, the following applies:

The purpose of the San Juan County Commission meeting is to conduct county business in a public setting, as provided by law. We truly value and welcome public comment, as it gives citizens an important opportunity to share ideas, concerns, and suggestions that help strengthen our county.

To ensure everyone has a fair opportunity to speak, comments are limited to three minutes and should focus on county programs and operations. Objective criticism is welcome; however, complaints about specific county personnel or private individuals will not be permitted.

Please understand that public comment is not a debate or question-and-answer session, and an immediate response from the Commission should not be expected.

If you would like more information or further discussion, a member of our staff will be happy to assist you in setting up a follow-up meeting. We appreciate your participation and your willingness to be involved in your county government.

Time Stamp 0:02:20 (audio) & 0:00:01 (video)

Lori Maughan, Commission Chair, read the attached statement, then she opened the meeting for public comment. She checked the sign-up sheet and then asked if anyone online wanted to offer any comments. No one offered any public comments.

CONSENT AGENDA (Routine Matters) Lori Maughan, County Chair

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting the consideration of routine matters. If a Commissioner requests that items be removed from the consent agenda, those items are placed at the beginning of the regular agenda as a new business action item. Other than requests to remove items, a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda is not debatable.

Time Stamp 0:03:58 (audio) & 0:01:15 (video)

Lori Maughan, Commission Chair, presented the Consent Agenda for the commission to review and approve.

1. Ratification of the San Juan County State of Emergency Declaration on June 26, 2026

Tammy Gallegos, Emergency Services Director, presented the Ratification of the San Juan County State of Emergency Declaration for the commission to review and approve. Commission Vice-Chair Harvey requested several changes to the portion of the document as to who declares the emergency. He requested for all three board of commissioners' signatures be added to the document.

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

BUSINESS/ACTION

2. Consideration and Approval of the Letter of Comment on Proposed Bureau of Land Management Grazing Regulations Revisions. Nick Sandberg, Public Lands Coordinator

Time Stamp 0:12:07 (audio) & 0:13:22 (video)

Nick Sandberg, Public Lands Coordinator, presented the Letter of Comment on Proposed Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Grazing Regulations Revision for the commission to review and approve. Nick stated the BLM has been using the 1995 Grazing Regulations, so this is their effort to modernize and update the policy with public input. One concern is the use of "stays."

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

3. Consideration and Approval of the 2026 La Sal Fire Station Remodel and Septic Design Agreement for Professional Services between Jones & DeMille Engineering and San Juan County. Samuel Long, Facilities Maintenance Director

Time Stamp 0:20:58 (audio) & 0:22:13 (video)

Sam Long, Facilities Maintenance Director, presented the 2026 La Sal Fire Station Remodel and Septic Design Agreement for Professional Services with Jones & DeMille Engineering for the commission to review and approve.

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

4. Consideration and Approval of a 5-Year Mutual Interest Agreement Scope of Work for the Forest Service Trail Maintenance. Todd Adair, SJC Road Superintendent

Time Stamp 0:24:21 (audio) & 0:025:36 (video)

Todd Adair, Road Superintendent, presented the Five (5) Year Mutual Interest Agreement Scope of Work for the Forest Service Trail Maintenance for the commission to review and approve. The road department has historically maintained 50 miles of trails on Forest Service lands for free. The Forest Service has now offered a new contract with reimbursement of \$10,048 per year for the maintenance of these trails.

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

5. Consideration and Approval of the Federal Lands Access Program Project Memorandum of Agreement. Todd Adair, SJC Road Superintendent

Time Stamp 0:29:25 (audio) & 0:30:40 (video)

Todd Adair, SJC Road Superintendent, presented the Federal Lands Access Program Project Memorandum of Agreement for the commission to review and approve. The 2029 federal grant project will pave 14 miles of county road 285 from Blanding to the Nizhoni Campground. The road department will replace 40 culverts and pave with 3 inches of asphalt.

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

6. Consideration and Approval of the San Juan County Minimum Performance Standards between San Juan County and the Utah Department of Health and Human Services for State Fiscal Year 2022 Amendment 5. Mike Moulton, Public Health Interim Director

Time Stamp 0:33:42 (audio) & 0:34:57 (video)

Mike Moulton, Public Health Interim Director, presented the San Juan County Minimum Performance Standards with the Utah Department of Health and Human Services for State Fiscal Year, Amendment 5 for the commission to review and approve. The funds will be used to provide public health services to the residents of the county.

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

7. Consideration and Approval of the State of Utah Contract between the Department of Environmental Quality Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control and San Juan County for the Health Department to Use Oil Services. Mike Moulton, Public Health Interim Director

Time Stamp 0:48:48 (audio) & 0:50:03 (video)

Mike Moulton, Public Health Interim Director, presented the State of Utah Contract with the Department of Environmental Quality Division of Waste Management and Radiation Control and San Juan County Health Department to Use Oil Services for the commission to review and approve.

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

8. Consideration and Approval of the Fiscal Year 2026 Certified Property Tax Rate & Revenue. Lyman Duncan, Clerk/Auditor

Time Stamp 0:50:19 (audio) & 0:51:34 (video)

Lyman W. Duncan, Clerk/Auditor, presented the 2026 Certified Property Tax Rates for the commission to review and approve.

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

9. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF THE SAN JUAN COUNTY, UTAH BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONFIRMING THAT SAN JUAN COUNTY WILL NOT SEEK TO IMPOSE A COUNTY OPTION RECREATION, ARTS, PARKS, ZOO, BOTANICAL, CULTURAL, RECREATIONAL, OR ZOOLOGICAL ORGANIZATION OR FACILITIES SALES AND USE TAX. Mitchell Maughan, County Attorney

Time Stamp 0:56:18 (audio) & 0:57:33 (video)

Jens Nielson, Deputy County Attorney, presented the resolution confirming the county will not seek to impose a tax on recreation, arts, zoo, botanical, cultural, or zoological organization or facilities sales and use tax for the commission to review and approve.

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

10. Consideration and Approval of the Land Use Agreement with Critical Incident Management Team for Fair Ground for Babylon Fire. Tammy Gallegos, Emergency Services

Time Stamp 1:02:29 (audio) & 1:03:44 (video)

Tammy Gallegos, Emergency Services Manager, presented the Land Use Agreement with the Critical Incident Management Team for Fair ground usage for the Babylon Fire for the commission to review and approve. The Critical Incident Management Team is self-sufficient and requires very little support from the county government. The county will be reimbursed \$300 per day until the Babylon fire is out and the personnel have demobilized. Tammy provided information regarding the watch party meeting, which provided details regarding the fire and the operation underway.

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

EXECUTIVE SESSION

11. A Closed Executive Session for a Strategy Session to Discuss Pending or Reasonably Imminent Litigation as Permitted Under UCA 52-4-205.

Time Stamp 1:14:44 (audio) & 1:11:55 (video)

Motion To enter executive session

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

Exit Executive Session:

COMMISSION REPORTS

Time Stamp 0:00:01 (2nd audio file) & (video-not available)

Commission Vice-Chair Harvey discussed the vacant assessor position. He cited State Code 20A-1-508, Sub Section 6 A-D. He feels the code appears to allow all political parties a chance to fill the vacant seat for the duration of the term. Commission Chair Maughan stated the political party for the previous assessor provides the name of the new candidate, which then the commission approves. The county attorney agreed to research the issue and provide clarification for the commission.

ADJOURNMENT

Time Stamp 0:13:00 (2nd audio file) & (video-not available)

Motion to adjourn:

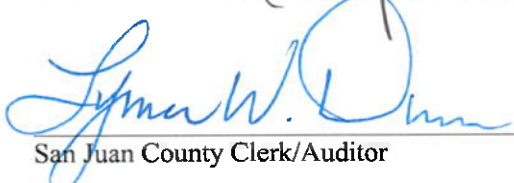
Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

The Board of San Juan County Commissioners can call a closed meeting at any time during the Regular Session, if necessary, for reasons permitted under UCA 52-4-205

All agenda items shall be considered as having potential Commission action components and may be completed by an electronic method **In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing auxiliary communicative aids and services for this meeting should contact the San Juan County Clerk's Office: 117 South Main, Monticello or telephone 435-587-3223, giving reasonable notice**

APPROVED: 
San Juan County Board of County Commissioners

DATE: 7/21/26

ATTEST: 
San Juan County Clerk/Auditor

DATE: 7/21/26