

**GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
JULY 13, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.**

Present: Commissioner Leland Pollock, Commissioner Jerry Taylor, Commissioner David Tebbs, Attorney Barry Huntington, Deputy Clerk Kylee Orton. Clerk Camille Moore was excused.

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order and Elaine Baldwin led the pledge of allegiance.

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock-Aye, Taylor- Aye, Tebbs - Aye

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the June 22nd meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock-Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

BOARD REPORTS

Commissioner Tebbs discussed the appointment of the Fire Chief of Ticaboo and whether the Fire Chief should be appointed by the Ticaboo Utility Improvement District Board or the Garfield County Commission. He provided an update on a drainage system that the Town of Tropic is working on. Commissioner Tebbs recognized Garfield County Emergency Services for their assistance with the Bryce Canyon Half Marathon. He also reported that he has an upcoming UCIP Board meeting and requested an internal employee registry.

Commissioner Taylor gave an update on the bike path and reported on the paleontology museum currently in development. He stated that he has met four times with representatives from the Natural History Museum of Utah regarding the project. He also provided an update on the Hole-in-the-Rock road project. He met with Reg Johnson and Jennifer Thomas in Escalante to discuss corrals for local ranchers.

Commissioner Pollock attended a Forest Service meeting to discuss a potential contract regarding timber management. He reported on the scholarships awarded by Garfield County. He provided an update on the Panguitch Lake Dam. He reported on his ongoing efforts regarding grazing allotments that have been suspended. He stated that the County should continue working on this issue during the 2027 legislative session.

EMPLOYEE LONGEVITY

Darron Mathews was recognized for 15 years of dedicated service with the Garfield County road crew.

AMERICA 250

Elaine Baldwin was recognized for her service to Garfield County and her patriotism in connection with the America 250 celebration.

PUBLIC WORK BUSINESS

Dave Dodds, Public Works Director, provided an update on the bike path project. He reported that the Transportation Commission approved the project from Panguitch to Red Canyon. The project is funded and currently out for bid, with an estimated cost of approximately \$25 million. reported on the bike path. He reported on several bridge projects being funded by the Utah Department of Transportation. Bridges are scheduled to be replaced on River Lane in Panguitch, Henrieville, and Main Canyon, Escalante.

AIRPORT BUSINESS

Tye Ramsay, Airport Director, introduced Mabry Word, who operates a tour company and currently has office space in Garfield County. Mabry reported that he is in need of additional office space and provides ground transportation services. He expressed his interest in renting office space at the Bryce Canyon Airport. Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to rent office space at the Bryce Canyon Airport. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock-Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

SURPLUS BID OPENING

The commission opened the surplus bids.

2025 Chevy Silverado	Greg Turner - \$60,300
2025 Chevy Silverado	DJ Feller - \$64,300
2025 RAM 3500	Mike Cherry - \$67,150
2025 RAM 3500	Rob Cherry - \$66,150
2025 RAM 3500	Tracy Sidwell - \$64,400
2023 Chevy Traverse	Mason LeFevre - \$32,000
Truck bed weed sprayer	Ed Ryan - \$300
1977 Fruehauf Trailer	Klancy Ott - \$1,100
36" Weed Mower	Shawn Kinross - \$226
Bobcat 8811 Backhoe attachment	Theron Rose - \$4,100
General Grabber Tires	Chad Cottam - \$600
General Grabber Tires	Greg Turner - \$430

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to accept the highest bids. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye, Taylor - Aye

AGENCY REPORTS

Chris Wehrli, U.S. Forest Service Dixie Ranger, provided an update on current and upcoming Forest Service projects throughout Garfield County.

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

The accounts payable list was reviewed and signed by the Commission.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Commission Chair

Clerk/Auditor