

**GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
AUGUST 24, 2026 AT 10:00 A.M.**

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

Commissioner Pollock called the meeting to order and Bruce Summers led the pledge of allegiance.

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

Commissioner Taylor made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the August 10th meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Tebbs. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock-Aye, Taylor-Aye, Tebbs - Aye

BOARD REPORTS

Commissioner Tebbs reported on the Congressional Briefing Tour. He provided an update on Ticaboo Fire, including the changes that have been made. He gave an update on the dead animal pit in Tropic. Commissioner Tebbs recognized Caroline Mathew for her time and service at the Senior Center as she prepares to retire.

Commissioner Taylor reported on the Congressional Briefing Tour, noting that they visited several areas throughout rural Utah. He reported on a meeting with Kaden Figgins, Mike Mower, and the sawmill owners in Panguitch regarding their efforts to obtain the necessary power to operate and complete their planned projects.

Commissioner Pollock reported on federal government restrictions on property rights. He recognized Congresswoman Maloy's representative for attending today. He discussed the importance of securing power for the sawmill so that it can operate and manufacture pallets.

EMPLOYEE LONGEVITY

Deputy Matt Lamas was recognized for his 10 years of service to the Garfield County Sheriff's Office.

PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Dodds, Public Works Director, reported the road crew is currently working on the Dr. Goodspring Project. He is applying for OHV grants and working to retain seasonal employees to operate the equipment. He recently applied for a grant to purchase a grader, which is expected to cover approximately 75% of the cost. He provided an update on the Tropic dead animal pit, noting that a variance must be obtained in order to operate the pit without staffing.

Commissioner Pollock commented on the great opportunity available to the County through the OHV grant funding. He noted that the funding was originally allocated to higher class counties and that he and other commissioners worked with the Legislature to make this opportunity available. He emphasized that the finding strongly benefits the local ATV/OHV community.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Kaden Figgins, County Planner, gave an update on the Garfield County General Plan. Public hearings have taken place during planning and zoning meetings as well as public open houses. After discussion, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve Ordinance 2026-5 Garfield County General Plan. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

REGIONAL PARTICIPATION FUNDING

Darren Bushman, Executive Director of Five County Association of Governments, provided an update on the organization and the services it provides to Garfield County. He discussed recent changes within the organization and expressed a desire for increased engagement and participation from Garfield County.

Darren reported that over the past six months, Five County AOG has reviewed its funding and discussed the importance of establishing a reserve fund to provide greater financial stability. He also highlighted the various benefits and services that Five County AOG provides to Garfield County.

UTAH PUBLIC LANDS ALLIANCE

Mike Lamar, a representative of Utah Public Lands Alliance, was present. He explained their efforts to advocate for motorized vehicle access, discussed efforts to keep roads open for OHV use and ensure OHV funding benefits local communities.

BUSINESS LICENSE

Two business licenses have been received from Force Automotive in Panguitch and Watch Me Grow Childcare in Panguitch. After review, Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to issue a business license to Force Automotive and Watch Me Grow Childcare. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Taylor - Aye, Pollock - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to enter Executive Session. Seconded by Commissioner Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Tebbs - Aye, Taylor-Aye, Pollock- Aye.

AFFIDAVIT REGARDING CLOSED MEETING

STATE OF UTAH)
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COUNTY OF GARFIELD)

The undersigned, as presiding officer of the Board of County Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, after being duly sworn, hereby states, swears and affirms as follows:

1. That on the 24th day of August 2026, during a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Garfield County, State of Utah, the board, upon the affirmative vote of two-thirds or more of the members present at the meeting for which notice was given pursuant to Section 52-4-6, voted to close the meeting to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual under Subsection 52-4-5 (1)(a)(I), Utah Code Annotated and pending litigation.

2. That a quorum was present.

3. That I do hereby affirm that the sole purpose for closing the meeting was to discuss the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual and pending litigation.

DATED this day 24th day of August, 2026.

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to return to General Session. Seconded by Commissioner Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Tebbs - Aye, Taylor-Aye, Pollock- Aye.

Commission Chair

SUBSCRIBED and SWORN to before me this day of , 2026.

NOTARY PUBLIC

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