

1 **Cache County Council Regional**
2 **Recreation Center Feasibility Study Committee**
3 **August 31, 2026**
4 **Minutes**

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6 The Cache County Council Regional Recreation Center Feasibility Study Committee met in
7 regular session on August 31, 2026 @ 5:00 pm, in the County Council Chambers, Cache
8 County Historic Court House, 199 North Main Street, Logan, Utah 84321
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10 **ATTENDANCE**

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12 **Board Members Present:**

13 Kathryn Beus – County Council (Voting Member)
14 Nathan Laursen – South County Municipal Representative
15 Melissa Dahle – County Seat Representative
16 Nate Player – Unincorporated County Representative
17 Jay Dee Jensen – South County Municipal Representative
18 Jon-David Jorgensen – North County Municipal Representative
19 Emily Schmidt – North County Municipal Representative
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21 **Board Members Absent:**

22 Keegan Garrity – County Council
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24 **Others in Attendance:**

25 Megan Izatt – Minutes
26 Bryson Behm – County Clerk
27 Lisa Aedo – Cache County
28 Whitney Ward – VCBO
29 Andrew Erickson – County Council Policy Analyst
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31 **#1 Call to Order and Roll Call**

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33 **Beus** called the meeting to order.
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35 **#2 Swearing-In of Any Remaining Committee Members**

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37 **Behm** swore Emily Schmidt in.
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39 **#3 Review and Approval of the Agenda**

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41 **ACTION: A motion was made by Dahle to approve the agenda and was**
42 **seconded by Jensen. The vote in favor was unanimous, 7-0.**
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44 **#4 Review and Approval of Minutes**

45 **4.1 08-24-2026 Committee Meeting Minutes**

ACTION: A motion was made Dahle to approve the minutes from August 24, 2026 and was seconded by Laursen. The vote in favor was unanimous, 7-0.

#5 Discussion of Survey Findings

Whitney Ward reviewed the information from the self-selected survey.

5.1 Existing Recreational Opportunities and Current Gaps

Ward informed the board residents want somewhere warm to recreate in the winter and things to help with good mental health all year round. Also important was something low cost, available to teens to have something to do, and adult fitness programming.

5.2 Most Desired Amenities

Ward informed the committee that a pool is very high on the list of priorities for most residents, court sports, and multigenerational fitness/sporting opportunities.

5.3 Household Financial Thresholds

5.4 Demographics

Ward informed the committee the majority of respondents were female but there were more males than originally expected and there was a good turn out from Hispanic populations.

5.5 Population Projections

Ward reviewed cities that had a good response for the surveys.

5.6 Facility Distributions Options

Ward informed the committee that most respondents want a facility within 10-15 mins of their home and those who live a little further out are willing to drive up to 30 minutes.

5.7 Budgets

Ward reviewed public sentiment towards recreation in Cache Valley, what recreation facilities are currently being used, types of recreation programs people would like to see, the aquatics needs that were raised several times, proximity and how far people were willing to drive for a recreation facility, and what people said they were willing to pay.

Ward and **Committee** discussed the variables that are taken into consideration for building a facility, a general idea of a bond amount, and ranking of the most important amenities.

#6 Review, Discussion and Potential Action on Proposed Milestones:

6.1 September: Review/Research/Study Operational Structures (Municipality vs District vs County)/Tour Local Facilities

6.2 October: Develop Project Priorities and Evaluation Criteria, Determine the Need for a Voter-Based Survey

Ward and **Committee** discussed moving to approve a survey or not to September to give VCBO more time to conduct the survey, and making sure the questions are specific to bond amounts and amenities.

Ward will send **Garrity** the market evaluation information and the information for two and three facilities. The one facility option at this point is not as well developed as the other two options due to the earlier group not having as much interest in just one facility.

6.3 November: Review Concept Options (1 vs 2 Facilities), Potential Amenities, Associated Costs, Locations, Operational Approaches Against the Evaluation Criteria

6.4 December: No Meetings/Limited Meetings

6.5 January: Review the Survey Findings (as applicable) and Select the Recommended Concept and Operational Approach

#7 Provo Facility Tour RSVP

7.1 Preparation of Potential Questions the Committee may have while Conducting Site Tour

Beus asked that anyone interested in touring the facility reach out to **Garrity**.

#8 Discussion of Other Miscellaneous Items of Incidental Business

#9 Questions for VCBO of VCBO-Requested Direction or Clarification

The actual contract with VCBO that states the scope of work will be sent out.

#10 Next Meeting

September 14, 2026 at 5:00 pm.

06:11:00

Adjourned.