

COMMISSION WORKSESSION

September 21, 2026

Minutes of a scheduled worksession of the Sevier County Commission held this twenty-first day of September 2026. Meeting commenced at 11:00 a.m. with Commissioners Scott Johnson, Greg Jensen, and Ralph Brown in the Conference Room, Room 116, of the Sevier County Administration Building, 250 North Main, Richfield, Utah. Others attending included Clerk/Auditor Steven C. Wall, EMS Director Mike Willits, and Executive Administrator Malcolm Nash. Sheriff Nathan Curtis joined later in the meeting.

Fred Philpot and Peter Maughan from LRB Public Finance then joined the meeting via zoom to present on a financial study they conducted reviewing options and costs for our Emergency Management Services program, including the possibility of moving our program from a part-time program to a full-time program with funding coming from the Rural Hospital Sales Tax allowed in Utah Code 59-12-802 of up to 1%. They noted that if the Rural Hospital Sales Tax was implemented, it would need to be reauthorized every 10 years. They reviewed projections from two or three different scenarios for the Commission based on adding the additional personnel needed to do a full-time program, along with the needed capital expenditures. They reviewed adding 4 new employees in each of the years 2027, 2029, and 2031 to bring the department to a full-time status; the difference in the taxing percentages they could request; and what it would take to maintain the full-time program without expending all of the reserves. The Commission thanked them for their presentation.

There being no further business to come before the Board, meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.