

Draft minutes of the Meeting of the Daggett County Commission and the Daggett County Redevelopment Agency held on **Tuesday August 18, 2026** in the Commission Chambers in the Daggett County Courthouse at 95 North 1st West in Manila, Utah and through electronic means. Commissioner Matt Tippetts, Randy Asay and Jack Lytle attended in person. Due to previous obligations Commissioner Jack Lytle was excused approximately at 10:30. Kourtney Hawks and Jesse Platt attended in person. Auditor Keri Pallesen attended both in person and virtually. Attorney Kent Snider attended virtually. The meeting was called to order at 9:10 am by Commissioner Tippetts. The invocation was given by Commissioner Tippetts. Commissioner Tippetts then led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present In Person: Mayor Butch Johns, Mayor Kathi Knight, Fire Chief AJ Olsen, Chad Huffakes, Sheriff Bailey, Matt Mapstone, Tracey Mapstone, David Smith

Present Online or by Phone: Corey Auger, Ryan Lafontaine, HD Sanderson

Commissioner Tippetts skipped down to Policy and Legislation number two (2) due to high priority.

Recess for MBA at 10:06 am.

Returned from recess at 10:50 am.

Motion to Go In and Out of Redevelopment Agency (RDA): Commissioner Asay moved to go in and out of the Redevelopment Agency (RDA) Meeting Agenda. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioners Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Approve Minutes: Minutes from the August 11, 2026 Commission and RDA Meeting were provided by the Clerk's Office for review by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the minutes, from August 11, 2026 Commission and RDA Meeting. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Issue Updates

RDA: Nothing at this time

MBA: Nothing at this time

Affordable Workforce Housing: Nothing at this time

Sheriff Office, EMS, Code Enforcement: Nothing at this time

Airports: Nothing at this time

Clinic: Progressing well, with approximately 5% remaining to be completed.

Roads: Nothing at this time

Tourism: Nothing at this time

Legislation: Nothing at this time

Citizen Comment: Matt and Tracey Mapstone inquired regarding assistance with extending the water line on Bennion Lane approximately one mile from its current termination point to their residence, seeking a viable solution. Commissioner Lytle advised that obtaining water might necessitate purchasing a water right. The Commissioners suggested reaching out to Lisa Asay as she is the secretary for the Sheep Creek Irrigation Company to see if Matt and Tracy have any water rights. He noted that while connection to culinary water is possible, it would be at their own expense. The commissioners clarified that irrigation water is non-potable and recommended initiating contact with the State to check for available water shares or purchase options.

Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Reports: The Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Reports were provided by the Treasurer's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to acknowledge receipt of the Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Report for the County and RDA dated August 7, 2026. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Reports: The Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Reports were provided by the Treasurer's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to acknowledge receipt of the Cash Summary and Accounts Receivable Report for the County and RDA dated August 14, 2026. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

RDA Open Invoice Register: The Open Invoice Register was provided by the Auditor's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Open Invoice Register dated August 17, 2026 in the amount of \$500.00. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Open Invoice Register: The Open Invoice Register was provided by the Auditor's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Open Invoice Register dated August 17, 2026 in the amount of \$15,202.15. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Reimbursement Register: Nothing at this time

Disbursement Summary: The Disbursement Summary was provided by the Auditor's Office and reviewed by the Commissioners. Commissioner Asay motioned to acknowledge receipt of the Disbursement Listing as being reviewed for Daggett County Zion's checking in the amount of \$69,243.19. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The Commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Calendar /Correspondence: Jordynn Hewitt presented a letter found on facebook regarding a request for land wanting to be annexed from Dutch John. The commission meeting on the 25th of August has been rescheduled to the 27th of August due to another meeting that the commissioners need to attend. A Planning and Zoning meeting is scheduled for tonight. Commissioner Tippetts has a UDOT meeting Wednesday at 10:00am and a TTAB meeting on the 20th at 1:00pm. There is a Sheep Creek Irrigation meeting tonight. A UOBAG meeting is on Thursday. The Rodeo Board Meeting is on Wednesday. The Road District Meeting is on Thursday. The Highschool Dance and Flag football is happening in the rodeo grounds on Thursday.

POLICY AND LEGISLATION

Discussion And Consideration Of Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) Program:

Commissioner Lytle asked Corey Auger questions regarding the County's current agreement, high-risk areas, and the new House Bill 48 (HB 48). Corey explained that Daggett County currently has an agreement in place for the insurance policy, with a new agreement scheduled to take effect January 1, 2027. HB 48 could potentially be revisited by the Legislature. Corey explained that if the County wishes to appeal the fire risk map, the deadline to submit an appeal is September 5, 2026. The appeal process allows counties to identify areas of the map with which they disagree and submit those concerns to the State. Corey stated that areas designated as red on the map cannot currently be removed from that designation through the existing process. Corey oversees both Uintah and Daggett Counties and noted that it is difficult for him to physically walk and review the entire area. Commissioner Tippetts asked whether the map would be permanent once approved or if it could be edited at a later date. No one present was able to confirm the answer. Corey recommended contacting Joseph Anderson, Program Manager with the Statewide Fire Risk Reduction Program, as a resource for additional information. Mayor Butch Johns of Dutch John informed the Commissioners that he had already appealed the map because the entire town of Dutch John is currently designated as a red zone. As the map currently stands, Sheep Creek, Willow Creek, and Dutch John are also designated as red zones. Mayor Johns further explained that there could be a tax penalty associated with the designation, as well as potential impacts to insurance coverage. He stated that properties located within 200 yards of a red zone could also be affected. Commissioner Lytle requested that the County submit an appeal of the map to allow additional time to review the designations and better understand the potential impacts. Going forward, the Flaming Gorge Fire and EMS District will be included in discussions regarding the fire risk map. Fire Chief AJ Olsen will take this map to his next board meeting that is scheduled for August 26, 2026. Corey also stated it was noted that the appeal form bypasses himself and Ryan LaFontaine and is submitted directly to the State. Corey stated that if there are specific areas the Commissioners would like to review or walk, he would make himself available to assist with the review.

Discussion And Consideration Of MOU With Silver Lining Senior Center: Mayor Kathi Knight formally requested funding to renovate the Senior Center kitchen. Attorney Kent Snider reviewed the agreement, under which the Town will receive the funds and submit quarterly reports to the County. The Town will issue an invoice for \$8,000.00, with payment released by the County upon receipt. Additionally, \$16,000.00 in returned funds from FY 24-25 has been received. Commissioner Tippetts recommended reopening the budget to accommodate the \$16,000.00 adjustment and issue the check for the Senior Center. Mayor Knight noted that much of the work could be handled internally by the Town's Public Works department. This agreement will need to be done yearly. Commissioner Tippet's motion to reopen the FY 2024-2025 budget to account that money in our FY 2026 budget then get an invoice from the town in the amount of \$16,000.00 to write a check. Also the to be determined amount for 2026 is \$8,000.00 for the counties contribution to the Silver Lining Senior Center. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Purchase Request For Repairing Deputy Guymon's Vehicle In The Amount Of \$13,287.82: This is a State Bid to Basin Collision. Commissioner Asay

motioned to approve the Purchase Request for Deputy Guymon's Vehicle in the amount of \$13,287.82 to Basin Collision. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Purchase Request For Repairing Sheriff Bailey's Vehicle In The Amount Of \$13,694.39: This is a State Bid to Basin Collision. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Purchase Request for Sheriff Bailey's Vehicle in the amount of \$13,694.39. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Purchase Request For Repairing Deputy Harrison's Vehicle In The Amount Of \$9,366.54: This is a State Bid to Basin Collision. Commissioner Asay motioned to approve the Purchase Request for Deputy Harrison's Vehicle in the amount of \$9,366.54. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Purchase Request For The Amount Of \$6,417.40: Because this information is confidential, details regarding the vendor and the specific purpose of the funds will remain undisclosed. Commissioner Tippetts motioned to approve the Purchase Request and sole source request for the amount of \$6,417.40. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Discussion And Consideration Of Purchase Request Of Narcotic Strike Force Share In The Amount Of \$4,200.00: Due to the amount of this purchase request it did not need to be on the agenda. This will get approved administratively.

Closed Session was needed for the Purpose of Purchase, Exchange or Potential Litigation.

Commissioner Tippetts motioned to go into Closed Session for the purpose stated. Commissioner Asay seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:				X
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Closed Session at 11:30 PM.

Commissioner Asay motioned to go into Open Session. Commissioner Tippetts seconded the motion. The commissioners voted as follows on the motion:

	Yes	No	Abstained	Absent
Commissioner Tippetts:	X			
Commissioner Lytle:	X			
Commissioner Asay:	X			

The motion carried.

Open Session 11:34 AM.

Recess at 11:35 AM

Back from Recess at 12:43

With nothing further to discuss, Commissioner Tippetts adjourned the meeting by acclamation at 12:49 am.

/s/Matt Tippetts
Commissioner/Matt Tippetts

/s/Larinda Isaacson
Clerk/Larinda Isaacson

/s/Randy Asay
Commissioner/Randy Asay

/s/Jack Lytle
Commissioner/Jack Lytle