GARFIELD COUNTY COMMISSION MEETING
OCTOBER 12, 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 Joe Orman 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 Tebbs made a MOTION to approve the minutes of the September 28th and September 30th meeting. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

BOARD REPORTS

Commissioner Tebbs reported on ongoing efforts to reach an agreement between Panguitch Lake Fire and Garfield County EMS. He also discussed an operational dead animal pit in Tropic we've been working towards. He reported on a recent Health and Human Services meeting, where heating assistance programs were discussed. He provided information regarding a Medicare Advantage plan offered by Humana.

Commissioner Taylor recognized the road crew for their continued efforts in responding to recent flooding throughout the county. He reported that crews are currently replacing the bridge at Main Canyon. He reported on his meeting with the Drug Prevention Coalition. He attended the Butch Cassidy ribbon-cutting ceremony and the Planguitch Lake Dam ribbon-cutting ceremony, which Governor Cox attended. He participated in a legislative policy tour organized by Garfield County Tourism Director Faloyn Owens, which brought numerous legislators to Garfield County. He attended a wildlife roundtable discussion with representatives from the Department of the Interior.

Commissioner Pollock reported the bridge construction on River Lane has been complete; however, the bridge cannot be opened until guardrails are installed, which are not expected to be available for 30 days. Commissioner Pollock reported on the Panguitch Lake Dam ribbon-cutting ceremony, noting that approximately 25 lawmakers were in attendance, along with Governor Cox. He commented that Governor Cox has visited Garfield County many times throughout his

time as Governor. Commissioner Pollock expressed appreciation to Garfield County Building Inspector Jared Woolsey for his efforts in resolving the power line issue in front of the Courthouse. He also recognized Nick Dax of the Building and Grounds Department for his hard work.

PUBLIC WORKS

Dave Dodds, Public Works Director, reported that the department has received three grants and will have an additional equipment operator beginning next spring. He also discussed the Panguitch Lake Dam situation and recognized the road crew for their hard work and dedication during the dam emergency.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT BUSINESS

Kaden Figgins, County Planner, reported the concrete for the Panguitch Lake Boat Ramp extension is scheduled to be poured this week, weather permitting.

PANGUITCH ELEMENTARY SIXTH GRADE

Hank Rogerson, Avery Thomas, Lainey Leach, Colton Peacock, Jerzee Hall, and Tyson Atkin were present to discuss their upcoming trip to Washington D.C. The students provided an overview of their fundraising efforts throughout the year to help cover the costs associated with the trip.

ESCALANTE ELEMENTARY SIXTH GRADE

Dash Derring, Esther Gardner, Davie Gonzalez, Jada McDonald, Jax Nelson, Knixtin Ness, Evelyn Orme, and Brage Shakespear from Escalante Elementary were present to report on their upcoming trip to Washington D.C. The students provided an overview of their fundraising efforts throughout the year to help cover the costs associated with the trip.

BRYCE VALLEY ELEMENTARY SIXTH GRADE

Emmett Roundy, Teancum Corrales, and Brynlee Spunaugle from Bryce Valley Elementary were present to report on their upcoming trip to Washington D.C. The students provided an overview of their fundraising efforts throughout the year to help cover the costs associated with the trip.

Commissioner Tebbs made a MOTION to approve $15,000 in funding to assist sixth-grade students throughout Garfield County with their trip to Washington, D.C,. in November. Seconded by Commissioner Taylor. Motion carried. Voting: Pollock - Aye, Taylor - Aye, Tebbs - Aye

VICTIM'S ADVOCATE REPORT

Sylvia Veater, Garfield County Victim's Advocate, presented an update on the Victim's Advocate Program. She reported that she has assisted a total of 25 victims, including individuals affected by custodial kidnapping, arson, terroris, and sexual assault. She discussed the various services provided through the program, including assisting victims with filing protective orders and navigating available resources. Sylvia emphasized the importance of building strong, trusting relationships with victims to provide ongoing support and assistance throughout the process.

LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Camille Moore, Clerk/Auditor, reported the representatives from the Bryce Valley and Escalante areas need to be appointed to the Garfield County Library Board. The County will work on finding individuals willing to serve on the board.

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

Tye Ramsay and Richard Birch were present.

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 12th day of October 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, pending litigation and real estate.

DATED this 12th day of October, 2026.

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

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Commission Chair

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

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NOTARY PUBLIC

ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

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

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

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Commission Chair Clerk/Auditor