**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, May 19, 2020 - 10:00 a.m.

Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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**Weber County Commissioners:** Gage Froerer, James “Jim” H. Harvey, and Scott K. Jenkins.

**Staff Present:** Ricky D. Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Fátima Fernelius, of the Clerk/Auditor’s Office, who took minutes.

1. **Welcome** **-** Chair Froerer

**B. Pledge of Allegiance** **-** Steve Burton

**C. Invocation** **-** Christopher Crockett

**D. Thought of the Day** **-** Commissioner Jenkins

**E.** **Public Comments:** Ralph Price, of Ogden, thanked the commissioners for their efforts to reopen our county’s economy and said that certain individuals in programs need to be told to use the stimulus pay wisely. Julian Hankins and Lakesha Hankins thanked the commissioners for their support of the Lantern House, a very helpful program. Sylvia Salisbury, of Ogden, said that citizens are guaranteed life/liberty/pursuit of happiness but not safety/health.

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #2732-2765 and #449479-449636 in the amount of $1,918,161.50

2. Purchase orders in the amount $82,389.62

3. Minutes for the meeting held on May 12, 2020

4. New business licenses

5. Surplus a 2005 Ford Escape from the Weber-Morgan Health Department

6. Surplus catering supplies from the Ogden Eccles Conference Center

7. Surplus office equipment and furniture from Weber County Property Management

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the consent items; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**G. Action Items:**

1. **Interlocal Agreement with Ogden City clarifying responsibilities between Ogden City & Weber County for the NRCS bank stabilization projects on the Ogden & Weber Rivers**

Lance Peterson, County Emergency Management Director, referred to the U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) grant received this past year to repair five sections on these rivers—four in Ogden and one in West Haven—and that both cities agreed to contribute a 20% match. This contract outlines Ogden’s responsibilities.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Ogden City clarifying responsibilities between the City and County for the NRCS bank stabilization projects on the Ogden and Weber Rivers; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. **Interlocal Agreement with Salt Lake County for acquisition & dispensing of medical supplies**

Lance Peterson, County Emergency Management Director, said that due to COVID-19, Salt Lake County received funds through the CARES Act and bought quite a few thermometers, and that some are being distributed to Weber County for free.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Salt Lake County for acquisition and dispensing of medical supplies; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

3. **Contract with Barnett Intermountain Water Consulting for consultative services related to various water rights and other water related issues**

Christopher Crockett, Deputy County Attorney, stated that there is a spring in North Fork Park for which the county is looking into water rights, a very complex issue, and Barnett will assist the county for up to $10,000.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve the contract with Barnett Intermountain Water Consulting for consultative services related to various water rights and other water related issues; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

4. **Contract with K&H Election Services for election ballot printing, processing & mailing services**

Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor, stated that this contract is to provide election printing and mailing services for the 2020 Primary and General Elections. K&H, a highly respected company, had been approved through a bidding process in the past, and he noted how crucial accuracy is for election services. The county will rebid for these services at the end of this year. The contract is for up to $220,000.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the contract with K&H Election Services for election ballot printing, processing and mailing services; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. **Approval of a $14,000 donation of “Prop 1 Funds” to Trails Foundation of Northern Utah for maintenance of trails in North Fork Park**

Sean Wilkinson, County Community Development Director, stated that Trails Foundation, formerly Weber Pathways, is requesting this donation for two trails. The Commission had set aside $200,000 in the 2020 budget for trail maintenance. Chair Froerer noted how our trails are being used very actively during this pandemic.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to approve the $14,000 distribution of “Prop 1 Funds” to Trails Foundation of Northern Utah for maintenance of trails in North Fork Park; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**H. Public Hearing:**

1.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene the public hearing; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

2. **Public hearing to consider a request to vacate a 10 foot public utility easement located at the north and west lot lines of lot 16 of Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision**

Steve Burton, of the County Planning Division, said that this property is located off of 2200 South. Prior to platting, the engineering/surveying company had put a 10-foot public utility easement on this lot. The setbacks on the zone are only eight feet and the builder is requesting vacating the easement. Notices were sent out per State Code. None of the county reviewers had any issues with this item.

3. **Public Comments:** Chair Froerer invited public comments and Ralph Price, of Ogden, asked for the location of this property and Mr. Burton responded that it is at 2307 South 3925 West, in the Taylor area.

4.

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn the public hearing and reconvene the public meeting; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

5. **Action on public hearing: Vacate 10 ft. public utility easement, lot 16, Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision – Ordinance 2020-6**

Commissioner Harvey moved to adopt Ordinance 2020-6 vacating a 10-foot public utility easement located at the north and west lot lines of lot 16 of Cameron Village Cluster Subdivision; Commissioner Jenkins seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**I. Commissioner Comments:** Commissioner Jenkinsreferred to a current constitutional argument during this pandemic, an unforeseeable issue in the Constitution, stating that the challenge is knowing where government stops and citizens’ rights begin. Chair Froerer concurred stating that our State and County have been handling the issues fairly well. The commissioners spoke of how much garbage is coming into the Transfer Station, how the county has turned around that deficit, righted the wrongs, is running more efficiently, and that there is quality and pride in the employees’ work.

**J. Adjourn**

Commissioner Jenkins moved to adjourn at 10:51 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Jenkins – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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