**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, July 18th, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

Via Zoom meeting + at Weber Center, 2380 Washington Blvd., Ogden, UT

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**Weber County Commissioners:** Gage Froerer, James “Jim” H. Harvey, and Sharon Bolos

**Staff Present:** Lynn D. Taylor, of the County Clerk/Auditor’s office; Chris Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Craig D. Brandt, of the County Clerk/Auditor’s office, who took minutes.

1. **Welcome:** Chair Froerer

**B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Kristy Bingham

**C. Invocation:** Craig Brandt

**D. Thought of the** **Day:** Commissioner Froerer: My thought of the day has something to do with the tie I’m wearing, a string versus a regular tie. It’s for Pioneer Days and the Rodeo, parade, and all the activities that go with that. We are very fortunate to be the highlight in the state of Utah, in my opinion. This is a different day than the Days of ’47 celebrated in Salt Lake City. In 1934, the former mayor of Ogden City Harm Peery started Pioneer Days. He invited President Franklin Roosevelt and Hollywood dignitaries. The only ones who attended were Abbott and Costello. We were a hub of the west with the railroads and transportation primarily for cattle. I hear the rodeo is one of the top 5 in the country. Being married to a barrel racer, I know this is what they call Cowboy Christmas with five or six rodeos available in a five day period of time. A lot of the rodeo takes place during a period where most do not see called during a provision in the rules called slack. Have a great week! Great time to be with family and to remember where we came from as a county and a city.

**E. Public Comment:**

1. Kathy Gambles, South Ogden: My parents were grand marshals for the parade, my sister was a rodeo queen, I

 was part of Junior Posse. The reason I am here today is to say thank you. I very much honor and respect the

 magnitude of your roles and the huge responsibilities with that. It would be fair to say as a single woman living

 with a fixed income that taxes matter and are a challenge in my world. I choose to honor the gifts those taxes

 bring. The first one being mosquito abatement, the second being the Weber Morgan Health Department, and the

 third being the Weber County library system. I called the mosquito abatement team 20 years ago to ask about my

 little water garden. It’s the only phone call I’ve ever made to them but every year on the second week of June

 there’s little fish that appear in my little water garden. I found out one year the secretary came out to put the fish

 in when things were tight. I really honor and respect taking a job seriously and seeing it through. The second one,

 I do an online Tai Chi class through the Weber Morgan Health Department every Monday. This class was made

 available by Jessica Hardcastle of the Community Health Division who wrote a grant for the healthy aging

 program; the class is taught by Linda and David Weiskopf. Third, the Weber County Library System. I go out to

 the Gentle Movement class that is held at the Roy branch and on Thursdays it’s held at the Pleasant Valley branch.

 There are always between 20-40 people. The magic created of people connecting is remarkable, a true gift. Today

 the IT person, Ben, will stay after the class to show us how to order online. Please experience Prego Café; it’s high

 quality food! I celebrate the abundant gifts made available in Weber County.

 Commissioner Froerer: We typically rarely hear a positive message, thank you.

 Commissioner Bolos: Thank you so much for letting us know these services are used. It’s very meaningful.

 Commissioner Harvey: Kathy, what’s right with Weber County? You are! I respect and appreciate your comments and will pass them on to the mosquito abatement and library staff. Thank you!

 Ms. Gambles: We need to turn the volume up a little more on what are the gifts in our county and the things that are unique to Weber County.

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #8468-8513, #477681-477838 and #277 in the amount of $733,592.06.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of $31,993.34.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meetings held on July 11, 2023.
5. New business licenses.
6. Memorandum of Understanding with Weber County Sheriff’s Office and Weber-Morgan Health Department to provide Hep B vaccines and baseline screenings (High/Low Risk, TST or IGRA) as requested.
7. Retirement Agreement with Kelly Stoffers.
8. Material Agreement with Future Studios to grant Future Studios certain rights to use material in and in connection with the “Real Time Crime” project.
9. Amendment #2 to Contract #230485 to increase funding from the State of Utah to the Weber-Morgan Children’s Justice Center.
10. Amendment #2 to Contract #230486 to include the FI Grant funds under the general funding grant, rather than being separate.
11. Contracts with the following for the Ogden Musical Theatre’s Production of “Music Man”:

 Burke Burkhardt- Manager/Carpenter

 Cynthia Johnson- Wig Designer

 Ricky Parkinson- Set Designer

1. Amendment to an existing Merrill Lynch lease agreement.

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

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**G. Action Items:**

1. **APPROVAL OF THE RECOMMENATION FROM THE WEBER COUNTY TAX REVIEW COMMITTEE** **TO DENY THE REQUEST FROM PRO PAC LABS DBA GLOBAL HEALTH TO WAIVE PENALTY AND INTEREST.**

Monica Dolan (Assessor’s Office): On July 10th, this item was heard by the Tax Review Committee and they rejected this request in accordance with state law requiring payment by May 15th. Pac Labs had a change in employment that led to them missing their required payment date. We noticed them according to and beyond required by state law. We were not notified until June 13th about their situation and they admitted it was their responsibility but they would not be able to pay the penalty charge of $9938 with $1998 in penalties/interest. Our recommendation from the Assessor’s office and from the Tax Review Committee is to deny this request.

Commissioner Harvey: Has Pro Pac Labs ever applied for an exemption before?

Ms. Dolan: No, they have not.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve the recommendation from the Weber County Tax Review Committee to deny the request from Pro Pac Labs dba Global Health to waive penalty and Interest; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

**H. Commissioner Comments:**

1. Commissioner Bolos: I appreciate the public comment earlier but as Commissioners we have very little to do with those things she mentioned. It’s all on our employees that do an amazing job every day. I want to recognize that.

**J. Adjourn**

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:27 am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

 Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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