**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, April 11th, 2023 – 10:00 a.m.

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

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of their comments. Such statements may include opinion or purported facts. The county does not verify the accuracy or truth of any statement but includes it as part of the record pursuant to State law.

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

**Staff Present:** Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Christopher 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:** Shelly Halacy

**C. Invocation:** Commissioner Harvey

**D. Thought of the** **Day:** Commissioner Froerer: My thought this week goes back to my graduate school days. One of the classes I remember well was a statistics class talking about trend lines. Back in ‘82/’83, we saw significant snow with subsequent flooding problems. A professor at that time said the trend line was for continued flooding in the future and money was spent on two pumps out at the Great Salt Lake. The pumps were used one year. I think we get caught up in saying what we see today is going to continue in the future. Mother Nature is in charge and no one is in charge of Mother Nature.

**E. Public Comment:**

1. Jennifer Pennington, lives near Weber State Campus: Two things I want you to be aware of. I noticed the work sessions have been pulled from the YouTube channel. Could you repost all of your prior work sessions? The second thing is my husband is an engineer and has reviewed the artificial glacier evaporation system and based on his knowledge and experience it does not look like a viable situation for our county. I look forward to meeting with you in the future. And, oh, glorious day of spring!
2. Doug Hansen, I farm in West Weber and Warren: The water issue is a concern for us. The Weber River runs into the bird refuge and I just learned the gates are open. We need to make sure the canals and dams gates on the other side of the bird refuge are open as well.

Chair Froerer: We met last week with several agencies and the gates are open and debris has been removed.

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #7692-7736, #475595-475719 and #259 in the amount of $2,683,137.81.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of $51,825.58.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. Minutes for the meeting held on April 4th, 2023.
5. ACH payment to US Bank in the amount of $197,678.48.
6. New business licenses.
7. Memorandum of Understanding with Cache County for trailer cameras funded with Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Action grant funds.
8. Quitclaim Deed from Weber County to LM Partners, LLC for Parcel # 19-042-0078.
9. Contract with Weber School District for the 2023 Weber School District Orchestra Event to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center.

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

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

1. **Commissioner Comments:**
2. Commissioner Bolos: The staff has held my hand the last three and a half months. I’m finding out how amazing they are!
3. Chair Froerer: We actively involved with all emergency agencies in preparation for potential mitigation this county will take for flooding. Our roads department has spent countless hours in last seven days opening the Ogden Divide. There is an 18 foot snow wall there they have bene cutting through. I hope the members of the public are patient with us with the flooding and know we are very concerned and taking the appropriate actions.
4. Commissioner Harvey: Mitigation efforts have been ongoing for the past couple of years. We hope residents will be patient as this is the highest the water has been in years potentially picking up new debris beyond what has already been removed.

**J. Adjourn**

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 10:19 a.m.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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