**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, August 1st, 2023 – 10:02 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:** Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; 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:** Shelly Halacy

**C. Invocation:** Commissioner Bolos

**D. Thought of the** **Day:** Commissioner Harvey: I want to complement the people involved with Ogden Musical Theater. The Board along with the staff at Peery’s Egyptian Theater and Ogden Eccles Conference Center have done an incredible job with The Music Man musical this year. The leads that play Harold Hill and Marion the librarian there voices were as good as any I have heard on either coast of this country. It’s affordable. Tickets anywhere else in the country are anywhere from $60 to $200-$300. The most expensive seat here is $28. It’s family friendly and safe. I had my 7 year old granddaughter there and she was mesmerized by the color thanks to the Dumke Foundation and their donation to rehabilitate the theater with new lights. The brand new seats were beautiful and comfortable. The whole experience is out of the park. People are coming from all over to see it. Take the next two weeks and attend that play.

**E. Public Comment: None.**

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants 8514-8605, 477839-478041 and #278 in the amount of $2,903,130.71, dated July 25, 2023.
2. Warrants #8606-8644 and #243004-478225 in the amount of $1,591,493.77.
3. Purchase orders in the amount of $1,403,141.88.
4. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
5. Minutes for the meeting held on July 18, 2023.
6. New business licenses.
7. Contract with Christian Grunnah Power Skating for NHL Rink Dasherboard sale to go toward Jr Mustangs Cross Ice Dasherboards.
8. Contract with Weber State University for the WSU Annual Locker Room Rental Agreement.
9. Contract with Inoel Chavez for the August 2023 Matched Race to be held at the Golden Spike Event Center.
10. Contract with Weber County Sheriff’s Mounted Posse for parking attendants at the 2023 Weber County Fair.
11. Contract with Swinging JR Drafts & Ranch to use draft horses during rodeo and have on display at the 2023 Weber County Fair.
12. Contract with Richard Wilson to have a Rodeo Clown during the rodeo at the 2023 Weber County Fair.
13. Contract with Photo Camper to have The Photo Camper as a static display in order for fairgoers to take pictures, free of charge, during the 2023 Weber County Fair.
14. Amendment to a Subrecipient Agreement with Green Hills Estates Water & Sewer Improvement District.
15. Contract with Ogden Musical Theatre’s Production of “Music Man”:

Catherine Washburn Artist/Actor Samuel Cash Artist/Actor

Christian Redmond Artist/Actor Samantha Wursten Artist/Actor

Cash Bowen Dixon Artist/Actor Russell Maxfield Artist/Actor

Caleb Parry Artist/Actor Nick Cash Artist/Actor

Brianne Jeide Artist/Actor Neldon V. Maxfield Artist/Actor

Braxton Burton Artist/Actor Mirayla Jorgensen Artist/Actor

Ben Ames Artist/Actor Miriana Villarreal Artist/Actor

Anne Eliason Artist/Actor Mandie Wood Harris Artist/Actor

Abrielle Hambleton Artist/Actor Madisen Rayburn Artist/Actor

Ellie Burkhardt Artist/Actor Logan Paul Morrill Artist/Actor

Rachel K. Long Artist/Actor Kaplan Keener Artist/Actor

Miles Cash Artist/Actor Kallise Gibby Artist/Actor

Ellis Cash Artist/Actor Jaimee Monson Artist/Actor

Elle Hirst Artist/Actor Jacob Coates Artist/Actor

Daphne Anne Dixon Artist/Actor Brett Garlic Artist/Actor

Todd J. Wente Artist/Actor George Michael Edwards III Artist/Actor

Stacey Dixon Artist/Actor Creighton H. Trejo Artist/Actor

Sarah Monson Artist/Actor

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

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

**G. Action Items:**

1. **APPROVE RIGHT OF WAY CONTRACT WITH NATALIE KOVACH TO PURCHASE RIGHT-OF-WAY ALONG 2550 SOUTH FOR CORRIDOR PRESERVATION.**

Gary Myers (Engineering Director): Presenting a Right of Way preservation contract for 2550 South with Natalie Covach. The intention is to widen the road to make it look and feel like 3500 West.

Commissioner Harvey: How many parcels remaining?

Mr. Myers: We are about 80% of the way done.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve Right of Way contract with Natalie Kovach to purchase right-of-way along 2550 South for corridor preservation; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

2. **APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH THE STATE OF UTAH DIVISION OF OUTDOOR RECREATION TO AWARD FUNDING FOR THE WEBER COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE SEARCH AND RESCUE RESPONSE VEHICLE.**

Kyley Slater (Sheriff’s Office): We were contacted by the Division of Outdoor Rec regarding one of their grant programs. We were looking for some equipment for the Monte Cristo area in the winter. Our Snow Cats do not have the speed to respond quickly to emergencies. Grant was approved at the end of May. This will allow us to get medical personnel up the trail. Year round use with tracks on during the winter and tires during the rest of the year.

Commissioner Harvey: After working with the Sheriffs Department over the past four months, I see how important these pieces of equipment are to their work to help rescue those who have met with accidents.

Commissioner Bolos: It’s always beneficial when we find grant money for those things as that equipment is expensive. Thank you.

Chari Froerer: We appreciate Search and Rescue. We know that Monte Cristo area gets a lot of love both in the summer and the winter and people, unfortunately, do have accidents. It’s great that we have responders that will get in there and try to solve the issue as quickly and efficiently as possible. It sounds like this vehicle will help with that.

Commissioner Bolos moved to approve a contract with the State of Utah Division of Outdoor Recreation to award funding for the Weber County Sheriff’s Office Search and Rescue Response vehicle; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

**H. Public Hearings:**

1. Request for a motion to adjourn public meeting and convene public hearings.

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn the public meeting and convene public hearings, 10:22 a.m.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

2. Public hearing to consider an ordinance to vacate a seven foot public utility easement along the rear

lot line of Lot 9, Willow Greene Estates Subdivision.

Steve Burton (Planning): Request from Clint Martin, owner of lot 9 in Willow Greene Estates

Subdivision. We see no issues with this vacation request. There are no utility easements in this area

but a letter was sent to utilities with no response. Staff recommends approval.

1. Public Comments: None.

4. Request for a motion to adjourn public hearings and reconvene public meeting.

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn the public hearings and reconvene public meeting, 10:25 am; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

5. Action on public hearing:

H2: Approval of Ordinance 2023-24 vacating a seven foot public utility easement along the rear lot

line of Lot 9, Willow Greene Estates Subdivision.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve Ordinance 2023-24 vacating a seven foot public utility easement along the rear lot line of Lot 9, Willow Greene Estates Subdivision; Commissioner Froerer seconded.

Roll Call Vote: Commissioner Harvey – aye; Commissioner Bolos – aye; Chair Froerer – aye

1. **Commissioner Comments:**
2. Commissioner Froerer: Stall of Fame recipient this month is Camille Chamberlain from the Clerk/Auditor’s Office.

Ricky Hatch (Clerk/Auditor): Two years ago we created a dedicated Tax Relief section of our office. As it’s grown, it’s been increasingly difficult to process tax relief applications, as well as marriage licenses and passport applications. Camille was already a specialist in this area. We deal with over three thousand tax relief applications every condensed in a short period of time. Massive amount of documents in a focused area of time. She processed each application and processed each long before state deadline, and helped IT design a new online tax relief website. And she did all of this on a part time position.

Commissioner Harvey: Thank you so much for what you are doing.

Commissioner Bolos: Grateful for your willingness to go above and beyond.

Chair Froerer: We understand how important these relief programs are to the members of the public and it’s important they have access to apply. We appreciate that work very much.

1. **Closed Session to Discuss Pending or Imminent Litigation.**

Request for a motion for a closed session to discuss pending or imminent litigation.

Commissioner Bolos moved for a closed session to discuss pending or imminent litigation at 10:32am; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

Commissioner Harvey moved to reconvene public meeting following closed session at 11:17am; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

**K. Adjourn**

Commissioner Harvey moved to adjourn at 11:20am.; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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