**MINUTES**

**WEBER COUNTY COMMISSION**

Tuesday, October 17th, 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:** Ricky Hatch, County Clerk/Auditor; Chris Crockett, Deputy County Attorney; and Lynn D. Taylor, of the County Clerk/Auditor’s office, who took minutes.

1. **Welcome:** Chair Froerer

**B. Pledge of Allegiance:** Chris Crockett

**C. Invocation:** Ricky Hatch

**D. Thought of the** **Day:** Commissioner Harvey: In our Pledge of Allegiance we talked about ‘one nation under God’ and then we had a beautiful prayer by Mr. Hatch. Allow me to expand for just a moment. Fred Astaire was an iconic actor and dancer and singer of American cinema and starred in dozens of Broadway and Hollywood shows. One of his early auditions was evaluated with these words: Can’t act; slightly bald, can dance a little. Through persistence and hard work, he developed his abilities until he became one of the greatest performers of all time. He wasn’t the only one who endured self doubt or criticism. Walt Disney was fired from a newspaper because he lacked imagination and had no good ideas. Vincent Van Gogh sold only a few paintings in his lifetime, many to his family and close friends. Earnest Hemingway once received a rejection notice from an editor who found his writing both tedious and offensive, claiming his young son could do better. Perhaps we all see ourselves less than what we are; unworthy, untalented, unspecial; lacking in heart, mind, resources, charisma or statute to be of much use to God. You say you are not perfect, not good enough. Welcome to the club. You may just the person God is looking for. God doesn’t need you to be exceptional let alone perfect. He will make your talents and abilities and multiply them, especially if you work towards them. Work will take away all discouragement, if you work hard. Even you though hope may seem a little scarce, if you trust in Him and are faithful, He will magnify your words and actions and use them to bless the multitudes. And I want you to know that I sustain that; I believe in those things. Everyone is unique and talented they all bring great pieces to the greater good, especially if they’re encouraged and trusted to do so. I appreciate those who have positively affected my life.

**E. Public Comment:**

1. Arthur Espinoza, Texas: I am proud to be an American from Texas, this is not my home. If it is not too much to ask, can you tell me the function and purpose of this meeting, please? I seek land and water and I stumbled into this wonderful building just now. I just need some orientation.

Commissioner Froerer: The purpose of this meeting is to deal with the business of the Weber County Corporation. We meet once a week as the three Commissioners that make the decisions on the number of departments that run this county, a lot of that has to do with financial decisions for the various departments in this county. The purpose of this meeting is so the public understands what we as County Commissioners are approving on their behalf. We are elected to four year terms and serve at the pleasure of the public.

Commissioner Harvey: Good luck with your quest to buy land and seek water. We hope you are successful. There are wonderful opportunities around here.

**F. Consent Items:**

1. Warrants #9186-9226, #479753-479934 and #297-300 in the amount of $3,434,399.91.
2. Purchase orders in the amount of $43,640.97.
3. Summary of Warrants and Purchase Orders.
4. ACH payment to Zions Bank in the amount of $139,622.92.
5. Minutes for the Commission meeting held October 10th, 2023.
6. New business licenses.
7. Contract with Graviton Consulting Services extending the dates of our existing contract to help with any needed open enrollment and/or end of year support with the Oracle HCM software.
8. Development agreement with Regal Smart Fields, LLC to amend language on previously approved, but not yet recorded, development agreement specific to right-of-way widths within the Smart Fields development.
9. Paramedic Services Delivery Study as presented by Citygate Fire & EMS.
10. Declare Parcel #16-049-0057 as surplus property.
11. Settlement participation agreement with Masters Pharmaceutical in the opioid litigation case.
12. Approval of the following Weber County Human Resources Policies:

3-300 Alcohol and Drug Screening, Testing & Treatment

* 1. New Hire Requirements

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 RESOLUTION 43-2023 RESOLUTION APPOINTING A WEBER COUNTY REPRESENTATIVE AND AN ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE UTAH COUNTIES INDEMNITY POOL ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING.**

Chris Crockett (Deputy County Attorney): In November, you will be attending the UAC conference. Held in conjunction with that conference, the Utah Counties Indemnity Pool has its annual membership meeting on November 15th. Part of the bylaws with UCIP is the member counties have to be appoint a representative to attend that meeting and alternate representative in case the first member cannot attend. The requirements are that the person has to be an elected official, an appointed officer, or an employee of the county. In the past, it has been the Commissioner that serves on the board of UCIP with another Commissioner as an alternate.

Commissioner Harvey moved to approve Resolution 43-2023 appointing Commissioner Gage Froerer as the Weber County Representative and Commissioner Sharon Bolos as Alternate Representative for the Utah Counties Indemnity Pool Annual Membership Meeting; Commissioner Bolos seconded.

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

**H. Commissioner Comments: None.**

**K. Adjourn**

Commissioner Bolos moved to adjourn at 10:17 am.; Commissioner Harvey seconded.

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

Attest:

Gage Froerer, Chair Ricky D. Hatch, CPA

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