



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING
117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers
March 17, 2026 at 11:00 AM

MINUTES

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AUDIO: <https://www.utah.gov/pmn/files/1407229.MP3>

VIDEO: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P9qPGXH93rQ>

CALL TO ORDER

Time Stamp 0:00:02 (audio) & 0:00:57 (video)

Commission Chair Lori Maughan called the commission meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Time Stamp 0:00:24 (audio) & 0:01:19 (video)

Commission Chair Maughan called for attendance:

PRESENT

Lori Maughan, Commission Chair
Jamie Harvey, Commission Vice-Chair
Silvia Stubbs, Commissioner

STAFF

Mack McDonald, County Administrator
Lyman W. Duncan, Clerk/Auditor
Jens Nielson, Deputy County Attorney
TJ Adair, Roads Superintendent

INVOCATION

Time Stamp 0:00:31 (audio) & 0:01:26 (video)

Julie Green, resident of La Sal, offered the opening prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Time Stamp 0:00:50 (audio) & 0:01:45 (video)

Jamie Harvey, resident of Montezuma Creek, led the public in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURE

Time Stamp 0:02:11 (audio) & 0:03:06 (video)

Commission Chair Maughan asked the commissioners if they had any conflicts of interest with today's commission agenda. Each replied they did not have any conflicts of interest.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments will be accepted through the following Zoom Meet link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88279631170> Meeting ID: 882 7963 1170 One tap mobile +13462487799,,88279631170# US (Houston)

There will be a three-minute time limit for each person wishing to comment. If you exceed that three-minute time limit the meeting controller will mute your line.

As indicated in our Commission Policies and Procedures, the following applies:

The purpose of the San Juan County Commission meeting is to conduct county business in a public setting, as provided by law. We truly value and welcome public comment, as it gives citizens an important opportunity to share ideas, concerns, and suggestions that help strengthen our county.

To ensure everyone has a fair opportunity to speak, comments are limited to three minutes and should focus on county programs and operations. Objective criticism is welcome; however, complaints about specific county personnel or private individuals will not be permitted.

Please understand that public comment is not a debate or question-and-answer session, and an immediate response from the Commission should not be expected.

If you would like more information or further discussion, a member of our staff will be happy to assist you in setting up a follow-up meeting. We appreciate your participation and your willingness to be involved in your county government.

Time Stamp 0:02:26 (audio) & 0:03:29 (video)

Commission Chair Maughan read the above statement and then opened the meeting up for public comments. She checked the sign-up sheet, and then she checked the Zoom link for any online individuals.

Kelly Green, resident of La Sal, spoke about the commission policy and rules, and is concerned with the proposed changes for the chair. He stated that Highway 49, Mile Marker 3 is a hazard spot (Deadman's Curve), and requested the commission ask UDOT to put a guard rail along this stretch of road. He is also concerned with the deer crossing the highway between new La Sal and Old La Sal and was hopeful that a flashing sign be placed there by UDOT.

CONSENT AGENDA (Routine Matters) Lori Maughan, Commission Chair

The Consent Agenda is a means of expediting the consideration of routine matters. If a commissioner requests that items be removed from the consent agenda, those items are placed at the beginning of the regular agenda as a new business action item. Other than requests to remove items, a motion to approve the items on the consent agenda is not debatable.

Time Stamp 0:09:31 (audio) & 0:10:26 (video)

Commission Chair Maughan presented the consent agenda for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.

Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

1. Approval of \$30,133.33 in Small Purchases; \$12,500 on Keynote Speaker Engagement, \$1,263 on Print and Radio Advertising Promoting, \$5,000 Event Planning, Marketing, and On-Site Coordination for the Economic Development, \$5,000 on Annual Platform Fee for the Records Office, \$1,278.83 on Support Assembly and \$5,091.50 on MVP Coolant Exchanger for the Road Department.
2. Approval of March 3, 2026, Commission Meeting Minutes.
3. Approval of the Check Registers February 21 to March 6, 2026.
4. Ratification of the Letter of Support for the Honorable Congressman Mike Kennedy, M.D. to Support the Town of Bluff's Application for Community Project Funding to Refurbish the Historic Old Bluff Elementary School.
5. Ratification of the Letter of Support for Monticello's City Request for Funding Phase 1 Reservoir Purchase as Part of their Water Storage Expansion Project.
6. Approval of the City/Town Appointments for the San Juan County Economic Development Board for Kaeden Kulow representing Monticello City, Ben Muhlestein representing Blanding City, and Stephen "Britt" Hornsby for the Town of Bluff.
7. Approval of the Appointments of LaMarr Walker and Brett Peterson to Serve 4-Year Terms on the Eastland Special Service District.
8. Approval of the Appointment of Erin Nelson Representing the Town of Bluff on the San Juan County Tourism Tax Advisory Board.

RECOGNITIONS, PRESENTATIONS, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

9. Treasury Report Discussion. Lyman Duncan, Clerk/Auditor

Time Stamp 0:11:25 (audio) & 0:12:20 (video)

Glenis Pearson, County Treasurer, presented the cash & investment report for the commission to review: The commission requested the report be presented each quarter.

10. Potential Closure of Det. 1, 118th Transportation Company Armory in Blanding, Utah Discussion.

Time Stamp 0:13:09 (audio) & 0:14:04 (video)

Commission Chair Maughan stated that there is very little information regarding the closure of the Armory in Blanding. She spoke with Jesse Barton, Sargeant for the Armory, and he mentioned that the local National Guard recruiter resigned yesterday. Commission Vice Chair Harvey asked for a meeting to be scheduled with the Army National Guard, the commission members, and county administration to discuss the closure and why it is happening this June 1, 2026. He is concerned with the transportation of uranium through the Navajo Nation and the possibility of losing current environmental security and support provided by the National Guard in providing hazard clean-up for the tribe.

BUSINESS/ACTION

11. Consideration and Approval of the Letter of Support for the Bureau of Land Management Monticello Field Offices OHV Trail Maintenance and Access Enhancement Proposal. Bureau of Land Management Representative

Time Stamp 0:22:38 (audio) & 0:23:23 (video)

Jake Palma, BLM Manager, spoke of their increasing relationship with S.P.E.A.R, and other groups. His purpose is to ask for a letter of support, which will be submitted along with a grant application to the federal government. The grant money will be used to buy a motorized side by side which can be used for trail maintenance.

12. Consideration and Approval of the Chip Seal Oil Purchase. TJ Adair, Road Superintendent

Time Stamp 0:26:44 (audio) & 0:27:39 (video)

TJ Adair, Road Superintendent, presented the chip seal oil purchase for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

13. Consideration and Approval of the Dust Suppressant Purchase. TJ Adair, Road Superintendent

Time Stamp 0:27:36 (audio) & 0:28:31 (video)

TJ Adair, Road Superintendent, presented the purchase of dust suppression product for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Stubbs, Seconded by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

14. Consideration and Approval of the Two Water Tankers Purchase. TJ Adair, Road Superintendent

Time Stamp 0:28:15 (audio) & 0:29:10 (video)

TJ Adair, Road Superintendent, presented the two (2) water tankers purchase for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

15. Consideration and Approval of the Standard Service Provider Agreement with Blackbridge Consulting, LLC, and San Juan County, to act as the Wildcat MicroFund Business Support Coordinator. Mack McDonald, County Administrator

Time Stamp 0:29:06 (audio) & 0:30:01 (video)

Mack McDonald, County Administrator, presented the standard service provider agreement with Blackridge Consulting for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

16. Consideration and Approval of the Participation in the New National Opioids Six Remnant Defendants (Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies), JM Smith Corporation, Morris and Dickson Co. LLC, Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc., and United Natural Foods, Inc.) Agreement and a Combined Subdivision Participation and Release Form. Mack McDonald, County Administrator

Time Stamp 0:30:17 (audio) & 0:31:12 (video)

Mack McDonald, County Administrator, presented the participation agreement with the six remnant defendants for the commission to review and approve:

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.
Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

COMMISSION REPORTS

Time Stamp 0:31:15 (audio) & 0:32:10 (video)

Commissioner Harvey attended the Red Mesa Chapter meeting, and he was asked by several individuals about the Utah HB 52, Tribal Endorsement for the Driver's License. The Utah license can have a federally tribal designation placed upon it, and it will help in voting and other ID needs.

Commissioner Stubbs spoke of voter registration issues in Spanish Valley (Moab zip code) and in Navajo Mountain (AZ zip codes). She met with Congressman Kennedy about grant opportunities for a transportation van. She was grateful for the Base Camp event sponsored by the Economic Development department.

Commission Chair Maughan has been working closely with the home energy efficiency grant program. She also mentioned the Grand County Airport will have SkyWest Airlines return to Moab. She has been heavily involved in the Mud Springs development and is hoping the project will be open in time for the high school bicycling later this year.

ADJOURNMENT

Time Stamp 0:46:44 (audio) & 0:47:39 (video)

Motion to Adjourn:

Motion made by Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Seconded by Commissioner Stubbs.

Voting Yea: Commission Chair Maughan, Commissioner Vice-Chair Harvey, Commissioner Stubbs

The Board of San Juan County Commissioners can call a closed meeting at any time during the Regular Session, if necessary, for reasons permitted under UCA 52-4-205

All agenda items shall be considered as having potential Commission action components and may be completed by an electronic method **In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, persons needing auxiliary communicative aids and services for this meeting should contact the San Juan County Clerk’s Office: 117 South Main, Monticello or telephone 435-587-3223, giving reasonable notice**

APPROVED: _____
San Juan County Board of County Commissioners

DATE: _____

ATTEST: _____
San Juan County Clerk/Auditor

DATE: _____