

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WORK SESSION MEETING

117 South Main Street, Monticello, Utah 84535. Commission Chambers

April 15, 2025 at 9:00 AM

MINUTES

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AUDIO: https://www.utah.gov/pmn/files/1259595.MP3

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CALL TO ORDER

Time Stamp 0:00:19 (audio) & 0:06:07 (video)

Commissioner Stubbs called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Time Stamp 0:00:40 (audio) & 0:06:47 (video)

PRESENT

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

STAFF

Mack McDonald, County Administrative Officer (CAO) Lyman W. Duncan, Clerk/Auditor Jens Nielson, Deputy County Attorney

AGENDA ITEMS

1. Presentation on Utah Indigent Defense Grant Opportunities. Katriina Adair, Utah Indigent Defense Commission Grant Program Manager

Time Stamp 0:00:50 (audio) & 0:06:57 (video)

Mack presented the Utah Indigent Defense Commission for the 1st agenda item. Matthew Barraza introduced his team: Zoraya Gappmaier, Katriina Adair, and Josh Buhay.

Matt stated that US Federal Law requires arrested indigent individuals to have legal representation for their trial.

The counties provide these services and can receive grant funding to help with legal costs. The Utah Indigent Defense Commission helps counties fulfill the requirement through various services such as training, contracting, and grants for the local counties. The grants are successfully awarded when smaller rural counties join in groups.

2. Discussion Regarding Proposed 2025 Landfill Fee Schedule Changes. Jed Tate, Landfill Manager

Time Stamp 0:41:28 (audio) & 0:47:35 (video)

Jed Tate, Landfill Manager, presented the proposed fee schedule for the commission to review. Jed proposed raising the disposal tonnage fee by two dollars. He has also begun weighing large loads (single axle trailers and pickups) and has found the tonnage weight and charges increase. The commission expressed their desire for smaller, consistent increases year after year, rather than large, infrequent jumps in price. Jed stated that trash volumes have increased necessitating the need to begin planning, preparing, and constructing a new cell. Commissioner Harvey recommended contacting key leaders from the Utah Navajo Trust Fund, Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Nation Lands Department was mentioned as the barrier to moving permits and projects forward.

3. Discussion Request for a Permit Specialist. Kristen Bushnell, Planning Administrator

Time Stamp 1:19:40 (audio) & 1:25:47 (video)

Kristen Bushnell, Planning and Zoning Administrator, presented her request for a new employee position - Permit Technician, for the commission to review. Kristen stated the position has been needed for the last 18 months. She wants the position to be part-time, without benefits due to budget constraints. The commission asked if the HR department had reviewed the position pay schedule and if it was aligned with the Employee Handbook. The commission expressed a desire to seek a positive compromise for the request.

ADJOURNMENT

Time Stamp 1:59:07 (audio) & 2:05:14 (video)

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

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San Juan County Board of County Commissioners

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