

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES – DAVIS COUNTY

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

October 20, 2020

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for a Special Meeting at 1:00 p.m. on October 20, 2020, in room 131A/B of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Required legal notice of this meeting was given.

Davis County Commissioners in attendance: Lorene Miner Kamalu, Chair; Bob J Stevenson, Vice-Chair; and Randy B. Elliott.

Davis County Staff in attendance: Shairise Bills, Deputy Clerk/Auditor; Heidi Voordeckers, Chief Deputy Auditor; Robert Tripp, Attorney's Office

Members of the public in attendance: Shayne Scott, Kaysville City Manager; Gary Hill, Bountiful City Manager; Brandon Green, Fruit Heights City Manager; Shane Pace, Farmington City Manager; Dave Larson, South Weber, City Manager; Gary Uresk Woods Cross, City Manager; Howard Madsen, Sunset City Mayor; Kyle Laws, West Point City Manager; JJ Allen, Clearfield City manager, and Craig Black, North Salt Lake Police Chief;

All documents from this meeting are on file in the Davis County Clerk/Auditor's Office. The agenda for this meeting is incorporated into the minutes as item headers and are shown in bold.

MEETING CONVENED

The meeting convened at 1:00 p.m.

DISCLAIMER

This meeting was an open dialogue. Critical points in the discussion have only been briefly summarized. The reader may refer to the audio recording and the publicly distributed material for further clarification of content. Timestamps have been noted in the minutes to aid in locating points of discussion in the audio record. The audio recording for this meeting is available based upon the County's current retention schedule.

INTRODUCTION - ROLLIN COOK AND ANIMAL CARE STAFF

Commissioner Elliott introduced Rollin Cook as the new Animal Care Director for Davis County.

BRIEFING - FIRST 90 DAYS

Mr. Cook introduced himself, his staff that was present, Kevin Stuart, Bryan Smith and Ashley Schaubroeck, and discussed his first 90 days working in Davis County Animal Care (Attachment A1 - A3).

DISCUSSION - WILDLIFE SERVICES

Commissioner Elliott opened the discussion by stating that there is a growing strain on Animal Care to keep up with calls from citizens regarding raccoon problems. Citizens have been used to having that service available to them and don't want it taken away. Animal Care is, unfortunately, understaffed and cannot keep up with the demand. He added that neighboring counties are not euthanizing raccoons and would like to know how Davis County cities would like to address the issue.

Chief Black asked what other counties are doing about their racoon calls. The answer was nothing. Counties allow the private sector to take care of raccoon issues, and citizens are told to contact pest control companies at an average price per call of \$100.

Gary Hill said he believes that it is challenging to have a service available and then take it away. He wondered if this needs to be an all or nothing decision.

Shane Pace believes that it is challenging to try and accomplish everything at once and suggested identifying what Animal Control will be.

Commissioner Elliott said an option could be to put out an RFP to pest control companies and look at splitting the cost per call with the resident.

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Commissioner Kamalu added that the big picture is figuring out what the private sector offers and what the government needs to provide and offer it as best as possible.

DISCUSSION - FUTURE SERVICE MODEL

Heidi Voordeckers presented and explained the different models that have been used and discussed possible scenarios for the future (see attachment B).

Commissioner Stevenson presented a scenario where, within a ten-year plan, a district/taxing entity would be created and tasked with running Animal Care services. He added that he would like to see the smallest amount of tax dollars per household possible allotted for this district.

After the group discussed Commissioner Stevenson's proposed plan they decided to move forward and try to figure out the best way to make it work. There may be some legislative changes that need to take place first. This issue will require more discussion.

Commissioner Elliott thanked everyone for coming to meet Mr. Cook to discuss the issues faced by the Animal Care department and looks forward to working together on the issue.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting was adjourned at 2:25

All publicly distributed materials associated with this meeting are noted as follows:

- A1 - A3. Animal Care - Introduction/Strategic Goals/Challenges Identified
- B. Animal Care Model Rankings

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