

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 31, 2018

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 10:00 a.m. July 31, 2018, in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Notice of this meeting was given in accordance with the requirements of UCA 52-4-202.

Present on the dais were: Commissioner Randy B. Elliott, Chair; Commissioner P. Bret Millburn, Vice-Chair; Commissioner James E. Smith; Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor; and Neal Geddes, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney.

All documents from this meeting are on file in the Davis County (DC) Clerk/Auditor's office.

OPENING

The meeting convened at 10:00 a.m. and Jason Sorensen, from the Davis County Sheriff's Office, was invited to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognitions,
Presentations
& Informational
Items**

2017 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report – Presented by Mike Ulrich, Ulrich & Associates PC, CPAs

The Dec. 31, 2017 Fiscal Year audit was completed with an unmodified opinion, meaning the financial statements given represent fairly the dealings of both the governmental and business funds of the County for that year. The balance in the General Fund is just over \$22 million, an increase from the previous year of about \$3 million, due to a property tax increase and economic growth, sales tax, etc. No funds are in a deficit balance and most showed a small increase. Expenditures for the few funds that were decreased by design did not exceed planned spending. Expenditures in Enterprise and Golf funds did exceed revenue that came in because of capital expenditures, but overall operating expenses were to the good by about \$20,000 to \$30,000. Overall, expenditures in every fund were within budget. The County was found to be compliant with the State requirements, and auditors were pleased to see corrections made regarding the requirement of making deposits within three days.

Commissioners thanked the auditors for their work. County employees were thanked for their help with the auditing process and for operating with a philosophy of being mindful of the taxpayers' dollar. While there's always room for improvement, Commissioners are pleased the County is in good fiscal condition. The Clerk/Auditor said outside auditors are always welcome in the office because it gives the County an opportunity to demonstrate transparency to the public. It was also noted that the County is looking forward to implementing new internal controls.

Acknowledgement of receipt of Blood Endowment Board donation to the Davis County Libraries – Presented by Chris Sanford, Davis County Library Director

The Blood Endowment Fund was established in the mid-1990s by Alan and Kay Blood. Monies from the fund allow the Davis County Library to expand and enhance the collection, with the stipulation that materials purchased using endowment funds must be housed in the Kaysville Library. A display in the Kaysville Library honors the generosity of Alan and Kay Blood, and materials purchased with Blood Endowment Fund monies are identified with a special sticker on the item and a label in the catalog. Josh Johnson [Davis County Library Deputy Director] recently found ways to label electronic-format items purchased with Blood Endowment monies. The receivable amount of this year's donation from the fund is \$50,000.

The Library Director and Commissioners thanked the Blood family for their generous contribution.

Notice of Intent to Engage in Contract Negotiations with Wardell Brothers for the Mutton Hollow and 50 East Street Rebuild Project – Presented by Dax Teuscher, Davis County Purchasing Manager

The County intends to engage in contract negotiations with Wardell Brothers Construction Inc. for the Mutton Hollow and 50 East Street Rebuild Project. Work will be started as soon as possible and completed around the middle of October. A waiting period of one week is required before signing the contract, after which the Commission can expect the document.

**BUSINESS/
ACTION**

Public Hearing
and Comment
Period for 2018
CDBG Amended
Davis County
Five-Year
Consolidated
Plan/Annual
Action Plan and
2016 CAPER

Public Hearing and Comment Period for 2018 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Amended Davis County Five-Year Consolidated Plan/Annual Action Plan and 2016 CAPER

Commissioner Millburn made a motion to go into Public Hearing. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

Davis County Grants Coordinator Tony Zambrana said the public hearing is related to the grant's Consolidated Annual Performance Evaluation Report (CAPER), which was amended for 2016. On June 28, a notice was posted in a newspaper, as well as on the County's website, soliciting public review of the current CAPER and amendments made. The amended CAPER was submitted online on July 13, giving people the opportunity to view it and comment via email, phone, or in person. Notice was also given of the July 31 public hearing. No comments were received prior to the hearing.

Commissioner Elliot invited public comments. No comments were made.

Commissioner Millburn moved to close public hearing and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

The amended CAPER will be submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by the end of the week for review and approval.

Subgrantee
Agreement
#2018-307 with
Family
Connection
Center dba
Open Doors
Social Services
Block Grant
program

Subgrantee Agreement #2018-307 with Family Connection Center dba Open Doors Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) program for funding operational expenses of Family Support and Community Action programs – Presented by Tony Zambrana, Davis County Grants Coordinator

The solicitation and application processes for the 2018 and 2019 CDBG and SSBG contracts have been completed and presented to the Commission. The Commission approved those recommendations and can now expect several contracts needing official approval. The first contract, being presented today, is the 2018-2019 Social Services Block Grant contract with Family Connection Center also known as Open Doors. The contract period is July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. The payable contract amount is \$50,000 and with all SSBG contracts a 25-percent match is required.

Commissioners noted that the Family Connection Center makes a real difference in the community. They were informed the grant is for operational support of the Family Support and Community Action programs including parent education, nursery services, therapy, and self-reliance education to help people out of poverty.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Agreement
#2018-308 with
Matthew Brass
for Indigent
Defense Legal
Services

Agreement #2018-308 with Matthew Brass for Indigent Defense Legal Services – Presented by Todd Utzinger, Davis County Legal Defender Coordinator

Two defenders are leaving their positions and need to be replaced. The first replacement is Matthew Brass, who will primarily be taking over activities related to Justice Court and Juvenile Court. Notices for the opening were posted in a number of places, resulting in several applicants ranging from recent graduates to experienced attorneys. Matt was with the County Attorney's Office a few years ago, where he did excellent work as a prosecutor, and is now in private practice and excited to be doing this kind of work. The contract period is Aug. 1, 2018 to Dec. 31, 2018. The payable contract amount is \$76,000 annually, pro-rated for 2018. In the event of an extraordinary case requiring excess effort, the public defender can apply for extra compensation.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-309 with Marathon International Inc. dba All American Grill as sponsor and food vendor for 2018 Davis County Fair

Agreement #2018-309 with Marathon International Inc. dba All American Grill as sponsor and food vendor for the 2018 Davis County Fair – Presented by Stephanie Davis, Davis County Event Coordinator-Legacy Events Center

Marathon International Inc., doing business as All American Grill, will be a sponsor of the 2018 Davis County Fair as well as a food vendor. The vendor will have a prime spot at the fair and be able to hang a banner in the Legacy Events Center. The contract period is July 20, 2018 to Aug. 19, 2018. The receivable contract amount is \$2,000.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-310 with Diamond Rental Inc. for rental of tents, chairs, etc. for 2018 Davis County Fair

Agreement #2018-310 with Diamond Rental Inc. for rental of tents, chairs, etc. for the 2018 Davis County Fair – Presented by Stephanie Davis, Davis County Event Coordinator-Legacy Events Center

Diamond Rental offered the best bid for tents, chairs, and other rental needs for the 2018 Davis County Fair. The contract period is Aug. 10, 2018 to Aug. 20, 2018. The payable contract amount is \$27,716.50.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-311 with Tractor Supply of Woods Cross for sponsorship of 2018 Davis County Fair

Agreement #2018-311 with Tractor Supply of Woods Cross for sponsorship of the 2018 Davis County Fair – Presented by Stephanie Davis, Davis County Event Coordinator-Legacy Events Center

Tractor Supply of Woods Cross is contributing money toward the 2018 Davis County Fair. In return, they will be able to display four banners around the 4-H livestock barn, the pony rides and the petting zoo. They will also be able to place a banner inside the Legacy Events Center. The contract period is July 30, 2018 to Aug. 20, 2018. The receivable contract amount is \$750.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Amendment #2016-36-A with Davis Hospital and Medical Center LP as a sponsor of 2018 Davis County Fair

Amendment #2016-36-A with Davis Hospital and Medical Center LP for sponsorship of the 2018 Davis County Fair – Presented by Stephanie Davis, Davis County Event Coordinator-Legacy Events Center

This amendment to the original agreement increases Davis Hospital and Medical Center's sponsorship by \$2,000. The hospital logo will be added to more places around the fairgrounds and the hospital will have title sponsorships to the BMX race and BMX Freestyle Team stunt show for the 2018 Fair. The contract period is July 30, 2018 to Aug. 21, 2018. [The receivable contract amount is \$6,854.]

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Summary List #2018-312 of low-dollar, low-risk contracts for rental space at Legacy Events Center

Summary List #2018-312 of low-dollar, low-risk contracts (13) for rental space at Legacy Events Center – Presented by Dave Hansen, Davis County Legacy Events Center Director

This summary list of low-dollar, low-risk contracts includes space rental for dog shows as well as soccer and lacrosse events. It was noted that the next packet of contracts will include several RV space rentals related to events hosted by the Legacy Events Center. The contract periods vary by event. [The total receivable amount for the contracts is \$3,885.]

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

The Commissioners acknowledged that many people were in attendance at the meeting to comment on the use and management of the Legacy Events Center, particularly on the declining number of agreements for equestrian events. How to best utilize assets at the Events Center has been the subject of much discussion, with appreciation that it is a horse facility, but also that it costs money to keep the facility operational and in good shape. Often the government has to operate as a business to keep in the black.

Summary List #2018-313 of internet connection user agreements for Davis County Recorder's Office information on REDI Web

Summary List #2018-313 of internet connection user agreements (12) for access to Davis County Recorder's Office information on REDI Web – Presented by Mark Langston, Davis County Information Systems Director

This summary list is made up of agreements with agencies and corporations using the County's REDI Web system. Most users are title and survey companies, but not all. Commissioner Millburn said he wanted to start a dialogue on access to these records and whether it should be paid or public access as is provided by some other counties. Davis County has a mix of paid and public access to records from the Recorder's Office and a meeting is planned next week to discuss the issue. The Commissioner said he looked forward to hearing recommendations from the Recorder on the subject, because of his expertise in this area. The Treasurer and Assessor will also be invited. Contract periods vary. No total receivable amount was given.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Resolution #2018-314 approving an interlocal agreement between Layton City and Davis County regarding Mutton Hollow Road reconstruction

Resolution #2018-314 approving an interlocal agreement between Layton City and Davis County regarding the reconstruction of a segment of Mutton Hollow Road – Presented by Jason Fielding, Davis County Operations Manager

This resolution is to approve an interlocal agreement between Layton City and Davis County in regards to the reconstruction project on Mutton Hollow Road [from Thornfield Road to Highway 89].

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Interlocal Agreement #2018-314 between Layton City and Davis County regarding Mutton Hollow Road reconstruction

Interlocal Agreement #2018-314 between Layton City and Davis County regarding the reconstruction of a segment of Mutton Hollow Road – Presented by Jason Fielding, Davis County Operations Manager

There is a small area adjacent to Mutton Hollow Road in the jurisdiction of Layton City. The County has talked with Layton City and it was agreed that it's good to do this whole road reconstruction project at once. This interlocal agreement stipulates that Layton City be responsible for 35-percent of the project and Davis County be responsible for 65-percent of the project. The contract period is July 31, 2018 to July 31, 2028. This contract is neither payable nor receivable, as the funds will instead be encumbered with the contractor.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Right-of-Way Easement #2018-315 with Rocky Mountain Power

Right-of-Way Easement #2018-315 with Rocky Mountain Power for the construction and maintenance of utility lines in Farmington, Utah – Presented by Jason Fielding, Davis County Operations Manager

A prior project done by the County necessitated that a Rocky Mountain Power line be moved to an area outside of their easement. The County has made an agreement with Rocky Mountain Power to give them an easement so they have protected access for that line. The contract period is July 31, 2018 to July 31, 2047. This contract is neither payable nor receivable.

See attachment B.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Special Use Permit #2018-316 with U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service – authorizing the retention basin at Parrish Creek

Special Use Permit #2018-316 with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service authorizing the diversion and debris retention basin at the mouth of Parrish Creek, above Centerville, for water and mud flow control – Presented by Jason Fielding, Davis County Operations Manager

The County owns and operates a sediment and debris basin at the mouth of Parrish Canyon. Part of the unit control structure is actually on Forest Service property. The dam was constructed after flooding issues in the 1980s, and the permit granted by the Forest Service at that time has since expired. The Forest Service approached the County about renewing that permit. The contract period is July 31, 2018 to July 31, 2047. This contract is neither payable nor receivable.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Final Plat Approval #2018-317 for Fowers Place Subdivision #2

Final Plat Approval #2018-317 for the Fowers Place Subdivision #2 – Presented by Jeff Oyler, Davis County Planning Manager

This request is for approval of the final plat of the Fowers Place Subdivision #2. It is a one acre, one lot subdivision at approximately 5800 West 2425 North, Hooper. One acre is the minimum size for a lot in this area because there is no sewer system, so homes are on septic tanks that need almost three-quarters of an acre for a drain field. Health Department approval is required to install a septic system and that letter of approval has been obtained. This contract has no beginning or ending date and is neither payable nor receivable.
See attachment C.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Improvements Agreement #2018-318 and Grant of Lien to Fowers Place Subdivision #2 for postponement of curb, gutter and sidewalk

Improvements Agreement #2018-318 and Grant of Lien to the Fowers Place Subdivision #2 for the postponement of curb, gutter and sidewalk improvements – Presented by Jeff Oyler, Davis County Planning Manager

This improvement agreement and grant of lien for the Fowers Place Subdivision #2 allows for the postponement of installing curb, gutter or sidewalk, as those don't currently exist in this area, but it is recorded against the property and the owner agrees to pay their proportionate share of those improvements if the county ever decides to have them installed. This contract has no beginning or ending date and is neither payable nor receivable.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Notice of Award #2018-319 from Utah Division of Emergency Management

Notice of Award #2018-319 from the Utah Division of Emergency Management for FY2018 Emergency Management Performance (EMPG) Grant to fund salary/benefits/travel of Emergency Program manager – Presented by Chief Deputy Ty Berger, Davis County Sheriff's Office

This Notice of Award from the Utah Division of Emergency Management for FY2018 Emergency Management Performance Grant marks the releasing of funds from FEMA. The purpose of the grant is to grow emergency management at the county level. The grant covers wages, benefits, and travel for the County's Emergency Manager Program. It also represents 10-percent of Chief Deputy Berger's wages, the Division Commander's Emergency Services, and 95-percent of wages for Sergeant Jason Sorensen

[Emergency Management Coordinator]. The County applies for the grant based on a standard formula and fulfills a match requirement with salary and benefits. The contract period is Jan. 1, 2018 to Dec. 31, 2018. The receivable contract amount is \$69,800.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-320 with State of Utah Department of Public Safety, Utah Highway Patrol (UHP) for Dispatch Services

Agreement #2018-320 with the State of Utah Department of Public Safety, Utah Highway Patrol (UHP) for Public Safety Dispatch Services for UHP – Presented by Chief Deputy Ty Berger, Davis County Sheriff's Office

This agreement is with the State of Utah Department of Public Safety for dispatch services for the Utah Highway Patrol. The contract period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2020. The annual receivable contract amount is \$183,471.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

It was noted, after approval, that the contract amount represents an increase of about \$34,000.

Summary List #2018-321 of paramedic internships and Ride-A-Long programs with Davis County Sheriff's Office

Summary List #2018-321 of Paramedic Internships and Ride-A-Long programs (30) with Davis County Sheriff's Office – Presented by Chief Deputy Ty Berger, Davis County Sheriff's Office

This summary is a list of interns who have signed waivers for Paramedic Internships and Ride-Alongs with the Davis County Sheriff's Office. The waivers protect the County as interns participate in the program and ride along with paramedics on the street during the performance of their duties. The contract period is June 1, 2018 to June 21, 2019. The agreements are neither payable nor receivable.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

MOU #2018-322 with Utah Division of Emergency Management for State Emergency Management database update

Memorandum of Understanding #2018-322 with the Utah Division of Emergency Management to update County resources as listed electronically in "Resource Inventory/Tracker" to incorporate data into the State Emergency Management database (WebEOC) – Presented by Chief Deputy Ty Berger in place of Chief Deputy Arnold Butcher, Davis County Sheriff's Office

This Memorandum of Understanding with the Utah Division of Emergency Management is to update the County's inventory of resources in the "Resource Inventory/Tracker" of WebEOC. It does not obligate the County to share resources, but rather identifies resources that could be available in case of emergency so other agencies or counties could call Davis County for help. The contract period is July 12, 2018 to July 12, 2023. The contract is neither payable nor receivable.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Statement of Work #2018-279-A with Solera Health Network, Inc.

Statement of Work #2018-279-A with Solera Health Network, Inc., Exhibit A of the Medicare Diabetes Prevention Program (MDPP) Master Agreement – Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director

Davis County recently signed an agreement with Solera Health Network, Inc., that opens a new area for the Health Department to engage with insurance companies on preventative programs to get ahead of issues. In this case, the Health Department is exploring a program that allows physicians in that network to

refer to the County for a pre-diabetes program to help patients. The County will be reimbursed for time and classes based on patient outcomes. This scope of work informs the County of the reimbursable amount and how to bill for it. The contract period is July 10, 2018 to July 2, 2019. The receivable contract amount is according to the compensation schedule for services.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Amendment #2015-365-H with Utah Dept. of Human Services to add federal funds for aging services for FY2020 and new budget sheet for FY2019

Amendment #2015-365-H with the Utah Department of Human Services-Division of Aging and Adult Services to add federal funds for FY2020 and new budget sheet for FY2019 – Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director

This amendment to Davis County's contract with the Utah Department of Human Services is for Senior Services to fund the County's Aging Services. The contract period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The receivable contract amount is \$1,702,475 for this fiscal year.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-323 with Utah Department of Health for funding of Summer Food Service Program inspections

Agreement #2018-323 with the Utah Department of Health for funding for the Summer Food Service Program inspections – Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director

This agreement with the Utah Department of Health provides reimbursement for inspections performed in summer food programs run mostly through schools. For every inspection performed by the Davis County Health Department there is a reimbursement from the State Health Department. The contract period is July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019. The payable contract amount is \$115 per inspection.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-324 with Utah Department of Health for Public Health and Healthcare Preparedness Grant FY2019

Agreement #2018-324 with the Utah Department of Health for the Public Health and Healthcare Preparedness Grant FY2019 to strengthen and enhance public health and healthcare emergency preparedness and response capabilities – Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director

This agreement with the Utah Department of Health is for Davis County's Public Health and Healthcare Preparedness Grant. The County has been receiving on-going funding for quite some time to enhance local public health preparedness efforts. The contract period is July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. The receivable contract amount is \$338,780.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Request #2018-325 for approval of updated Davis County Travel and Training Policy, Section 600

Request #2018-325 for approval of the updated Davis County Travel and Training Policy, Section 600 – Presented by Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor

Financial Policy #600, regarding travel and training, was updated because of conflicting language in regards to the use of County credit cards and when they are required to be used. That language has been removed and minor updates made to clarify verbiage in other parts of the policy.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Agreement #2018-326 with Leavitt's Mortuary for indigent dead cremation services

Agreement #2018-326 with Leavitt's Mortuary for indigent dead cremation services per UCA 17-53-221
– Presented by Commissioner Randy Elliott

Agreement with Leavitt's Mortuary providing for indigent dead cremation services in accordance with Utah Code annotated 17-53-221 and Policy for the Burial of Indigent Persons within Davis County (Policy #2003-119). The contract period is Sept. 1, 2018 to June 30, 2021. The payable contract amount is \$450 per service billed.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Commissioner Millburn moved to recess to Board of Equalization. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

Property Tax Register

Property Tax Register matters were presented by Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor.

Under Auditor's adjustments there were six veteran's tax exemptions for the year 2017. Under Assessor's adjustments there were various personal property penalty waivers and Assessor-initiated corrections.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Commissioner Millburn moved to reconvene Commission meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

CONSENT ITEMS

Check Registers

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Check Registers were approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Millburn
Seconded: Com. Smith
Vote: All aye

Indigent Hardship Abatement Register

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The Indigent Hardship Abatement Register for Linda D. Dayton was approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

The Indigent Hardship Abatement Register for Christina B. Durfee was approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

The Indigent Hardship Abatement Register for Justin and Monica Garner was approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith
Seconded: Com. Millburn
Vote: All aye

Meeting Minutes

Meeting minutes for July 3, 2018 and July 10, 2018 were approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Smith

Seconded: Com. Millburn

Vote: All aye

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Com. Elliott Commissioner Elliott recognized the County's law enforcement deputies and expressed appreciation for their service. Deputies headed up the mountain the morning of the Commission Meeting for a search and rescue mission to find someone who was lost.

He also recognized citizens attending the meeting with concerns about the Legacy Events Center and said he has been in contact with the 4-H to find them a home. The County is looking at usage of the Legacy Events Center.

"The dynamics of the County is changing, but as a farm boy I still recognize the need to help those in 4-H who have the desire to learn that trade and have the opportunities to raise animals," he said.

Com. Millburn Commissioner Millburn said the County has a lot of great citizens and he wanted to recognize those from the tourism office who put on a great event last Friday. There were about 1,200 to 1,300 people who participated in the Antelope Island Moonlight Bike Ride. The bicyclists represented a range of ages and came from across the state. One bicyclist came from Grand Junction, Colorado, specifically for the event.

"It has that kind of notoriety," the Commissioner said.

Com. Smith Commissioner Smith said he appreciated those who sat through this longer-than-usual meeting.

"This agenda highlights the diversity of what you do in a county. We've got everything from legal defense services to building roads, right down to providing indigent dead cremation services – there's just a whole lot of stuff people don't understand that a county's responsible for," he said. "But I just absolutely appreciate, more than I can stress, the quality of the people I get to work with in these different departments."

PUBLIC COMMENTS Commissioner Elliott invited comments from the public.

Brett King Brett King, of Kaysville, said he's a long-time resident of Davis County.

"Davis County, for a long time, did not have a fair facility until they built the Legacy Events Center which, you know [is a] combination fair/equestrian center," he said. " It saddens me to see that you're thinking about changing the use of that facility."

Horse events are not on the schedule because they're not wanted there anymore and have been pushed out, he said, adding that he doesn't believe the people who run the Legacy Events Center are willing to work with or actively pursue horse events. The Utah Cutting Horse Association held their national show there for several years, but the people at the facility have made it so they don't want to come back. The County could fill the center with horse events if they went after them, but everybody has been made to feel unwelcome there and he doesn't understand why because it was built for that type of use.

Mr. King mentioned Commissioner Elliott's comment about trying to find a home for the 4-H.

"Why would you be trying to find a home? Their home's right there. And I've heard rumors that you guys are thinking of spending money somewhere else to build another facility. Why would you take County money to build something in another town when you already have the facility? I mean, build another building there – you have room."

He'd like the County to remember that they're running an equestrian center. The Legacy Junior Rodeo Association was named for the facility, he said, and has slowly been given fewer and fewer dates for events.

Arnold Butcher

Arnold Butcher, of Clinton, spoke as a County resident rather than in his official capacity as a County employee. He said he was around shortly after the fairgrounds and riding area were moved from Lagoon, and the County gave riding clubs and associations a plot of land and told them "If you'll build it, we'll take care of you." Members of those horse clubs sought out and gave donations of everything from sand to rails and built a racetrack and rodeo arena.

"They had the chutes brought in and all that stuff was given, donated, to the County and the County used that to their benefit when they decided to start holding fairs," he said, and it has progressed over time to what is happening now.

"It costs a lot of money to run those facilities, but it wasn't the choice of these people to eliminate what they had already built there," he said, adding that officials eliminated it to keep it pristine for other types of events.

"We shouldn't be looking for homes other places for 4-H – that's where their home is. They built that place. They set the foundation for that place. They did it for the County and I think the County needs to look back and show respect to these people that did that," he said.

Jeff Crossland

Jeff Crossland, a long-time Davis County resident, spoke of the need to fight for the agrarian society. He said he gets teary-eyed when he thinks of Dan Lewis, of Lewis Foss and Sons gravel pits, donating the materials at his cost to build the racetrack. Crossland also remembers watching his own father weld pipes around the racetrack.

"I was there just last week, and my grandkids were sitting on those pipes, and it's hard not to see our heritage there," he said, noting that his family was heavily involved in 4-H activities at the Legacy Events Center over the years and benefited from the experience. Now the group is being pushed out.

"I was told – I've told this before – that my lifestyle is no longer relevant in Farmington City, and that's becoming true, I think, in all of Davis County," he said, adding that people want to live here because they want to live next to the farm with the beautiful white fences and running horses. "But we're not allowing that to happen."

We're not raising horses but raising kids, he said.

"Yeah, we have to run it like a business but the reality of it is we're raising kids and I think this is a great way – it's not the only way, but it's a way we're losing that teaches responsibility or the risks involved. You know life is a risky thing but to learn how to deal with risk and to take the responsibility of caring for an animal – another life – how can we not support that? How can we not fight for that?" he asked.

Kids want to participate in these activities, he said, but clubs struggle to book meeting times.

"We built the bleachers and my kids painted them for their Eagle projects, and now you fight to maybe get two nights all year," he said. "What kind of support is that for kids?"

Amy Larsen

Amy Larsen, of Farmington, said she understands and respects running the Legacy Events Center like a business. Her kids ride BMX in the arena and it's great to have those events.

"But I think it's important to realize that the horse events aren't leaving – they're being pushed out and there's a big difference," she said.

A recent survey about the use of the Legacy Events Center only asked one question about equestrian events, she said, and people didn't realize the purpose of the questions.

Ms. Larsen said the Legacy Junior Rodeo Association has moved to Tremonton because of the way they were treated, rising prices at the Legacy Events Center, and the inability to book dates. The Utah Cutting Horse Association moved their two-week event to another venue because of difficulties with the Events Center, she said, taking the money they used to spend at Station Park with them. She also said the Cowboy Mounted Shooting Association tried to hold national and world championships at the Legacy Events Center but the manager refused to remove bucking chutes, as had been done in the past, so they took their event to Las Vegas.

She has spoken with the Legacy Events Center employees about this in the past. They were polite and said they'd love to have her come and ride, but when she came it was padlocked.

"We shouldn't have to lose what we have to bring in dog shows. I firmly believe that we can share, but I know the 4-H has been forced out," she said.

She has been driving by the fairgrounds on Wednesday nights, which is the time 4-H requested the use of the outdoor arena.

"Except for one time it has been completely empty and the parking lot has been completely empty, but we were denied that use of the arena," she said, adding that the group was recently given a last minute booking. "So 17 people, in 24 hours, took time off work and showed up with their kids so their kids could practice and everything was locked."

She thanked Commissioners for their service and gave them copies of comments she collected about the use of the Legacy Events Center. She hopes they will listen to what's being said.

Nicole Servey

Nicole Servey, of Farmington, is a barrel racer. She said the Davis County arena is known for having the best dirt, but barrel racers have been pushed out. She doesn't understand why equestrians can't use the outdoor arena. If the problem is people not cleaning up after horses, she suggests having wheelbarrows available to make it easier. She understands there is a cost to dumping waste, tilling and watering the arena, and using lights, but doesn't see it as a huge expense. Weber County Fairgrounds is booked for horse events every day and she wondered if they use LED lighting or other options to keep costs down.

Ms. Servey painted fences with 4-H, and said she practically lived at Davis County Fairgrounds when she was little.

"In the last 10 years it's just horrible to see nothing," she said. "We can't even ride our horses on the trails because we get yelled at ... The only place that we can ride is at the fairgrounds, and we can't even ride there anymore."

The County could have made money during the week of Pioneer Day by charging fees for competitors at Ogden and Salt Lake July 24 rodeos to park, plug in and use stalls at the Legacy Events Center. Instead the fairgrounds were shut.

She hopes horse people will be able to stay here.

Shane Williams

Shane Williams has lived in west Farmington for about 27 years and has been involved with horse racing, junior rodeos, and team roping at the Legacy Events Center.

"It's pretty sad, now, that I have to load my horses up in my trailer and literally drive past – 30 seconds from my house – a great facility that used to support those kind of events to go to Ogden or to South Jordan to the different places that do still support those things," he said.

He said members of the public at this Commission Meeting speak for hundreds of people in Davis County who feel the same. He doesn't believe many who received the survey understood what was being asked or even turned it in.

Lindsey
Waddoupsen

Lindsey Waddoupsen, of west Farmington, loves the legacy of horses and said that legacy is probably the reason for the Legacy Event Center's name. She doesn't ride, but recognizes the importance of the horse and farm community.

She was excited to see questions about BMX and rugby on the Legacy Events Center use survey because of family participation in those sports, but she was surprised not to see anything about horses.

"Maybe I just assumed that horses would always be there, but it sounds like that is in jeopardy," she said. "I would love to see the balance of development and growth and making money. ... We need to keep the Legacy Events Center running in the black, but how far in the black?"

The County should find a balance between profit and sustaining the legacy, she said.

Bonnie
Crossland

Bonnie Crossland, of Farmington, has children and grandchildren who ride horses. The family moved to Davis County before the Legacy Events Center was built.

"I may be mistaken on this, but I'd like you to check on this: I think it was an agricultural grant that gave the County the money for that property and to build the Legacy Center," she said.

Her son asked companies to donate pipe and use of tools for his Eagle Scout project, she said. His scout group put in sprinkling systems at the Legacy Events Center, even though the other scouts didn't ride horses, because they felt it was a need to have agricultural events there.

Ms. Crossland said Jody Gray, with the Cutting Horse Association, used to come to events at the Legacy Events Center. She stayed in a local hotel for 10 days and ate three meals a day in local restaurants. Between events she and other visitors had windshields repaired at a local business – that was all money brought into Davis County from out of the area.

When Ms. Crossland's kids participated in 4-H, they watered the outdoor arena and brought their own tractors to harrow the arena.

"And now we're told that the reason the cost is prohibitive for the 4-H groups to come in, or any riding group to come in and use that arena, is because a[n] employee needs to be there. I promise that any horse people will take better care of that arena than any paid employee ever will," she said, adding that her husband and others would volunteer would help if given the opportunity.

Rhonda Perks

Rhonda Perks, representing Congressman Chris Stewart's office, said it's been a busy summer. The Congressman's Washington, D.C. office calls every week and asks how Davis County is doing. She's attended many events in Davis County this summer, including the opening of the Veterans Memorial Wall in Layton. She also attended an anti-violence event hosted by Davis County, during which the Health Department facilitated conversations about helping the elderly and young people.

She said the U.S. House of Representatives passed the Congressman's 3-digit suicide hotline bill, and he hopes it will be on the President's desk by the end of the year.

The Sutherland Institute is hosting a Congressional Series starting at 10 a.m. Thursday [Aug. 2] at the North Salt Lake National Guard Readiness Center. Congressman Stewart will speak at the event and local entities such as L3 Communications [Technologies], Northrop Grumman, Hill Air Force Base, and Boeing will be represented on panels focused on military readiness.

Com. Elliott

Commissioner Elliott said the Commissioners would love to be at the Congressional event, but there are preplanned events related to transportation.

Approved

Com. Millburn

Commissioner Millburn thanked those who expressed their feelings and applauded their engagement in this process, as well as their work with young people. He didn't grow up with animals, but he has been impressed with the 4-H program during his time as a Commissioner.

"Our investment is in young people," he said.

No definitive direction has been set, he said, and Commissioners' doors are always open for those who want to get the facts and have a discussion. Davis County is, however, experiencing growing pains.

"I commit to you that in my time, remaining time as Commissioner, that I'm trying to find the best solution and, as much as possible, make accommodations where we can and for everybody," he said, but noted that with a population pushing 350,000 it's not easy to balance everything and adjustments may be needed.

Com. Smith

Commissioner Smith said he took notes during public comment and would like to continue the dialogue. He appreciates the passion of those in attendance and said he's a big fan of 4-H.

"I just love the look on the face of those kids when they're showing off their animals," he said. "It's just worth a whole year's worth of work."

Com. Elliott

Commissioner Elliott again thanked those who participated for sharing their feedback. He said it's a tight-knit group, and he knew everyone in attendance. He grew up on a farm, is a big supporter of that lifestyle, and hopes his children will be able to have similar opportunities.

"We'll take these thoughts and considerations into our meetings and as we discuss the plans as we move forward," he said.

**CLOSED
SESSION**

Commissioner Millburn motioned to adjourn to a closed session, to be held in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, for reasons permitted under UCA 423-4-205. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. All voted aye.

The closed session began at 11:47 a.m.

Returned from closed session at 1:10 p.m. No action was taken.

**MEETING
ADJOURNED**

Open meeting was adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

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

- A. Agenda
- B. Rocky Mountain Power Right-of-Way Easement
- C. Fowers Place Subdivision #2 Final Plat

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