

# COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES – DAVIS COUNTY

## COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES November 5, 2019

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 4:00 p.m. on November 5, 2019, in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Required legal notice of this meeting was given.

Present on the dais were: Commissioner Randy B. Elliott, Chair; Commissioner Lorene Miner Kamalu, Vice-Chair; Commissioner Bob J Stevenson; 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 Clerk/Auditor's Office. The agenda for this meeting is incorporated into the minutes as item headers.

### OPENING

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The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. and Commissioner Kamalu led the Pledge of Allegiance.

### Recognitions, Presentations & Informational Items

#### Davis County Facilities Director — *Presented by Commissioner Kamalu*

Commissioner Kamalu introduced Lane Rose as Davis County's new Facilities Director and explained the selection process. The County is now competitive in the marketplace, and recruitment generated 134 applications for the position. The County's recruiter, Jen Jeppson, sorted through all of the applications to find those who met qualifications and recommended about 30 for consideration. Commissioner Kamalu spent a great deal of time considering the recommended applications. Six applicants, including Lane, were invited for two rounds of interviews. Interviewers for the first round were Davis County Library Director Chris Sanford, Public Works Director Adam Wright, and a citizen named Ron Mortsensen who has experience with federal buildings. There was unanimity among interviewers about who they considered the top applicant. Second round interviewers were Chief Civil Deputy Attorney Neal Geddes, Clerk/Auditor Curtis Koch, Director of Human Resources Deb Alexander, [Justice Complex Maintenance Manager] Mitch Matern, Information Services Director Mark Langsdon, and Commissioner Kamalu. Interviewers again unanimously agreed on the preferred candidate. After another meeting between Commissioner Kamalu and the HR director, Lane Rose was chosen for the position. Commissioner Kamalu expressed confidence in the decision. Lane has worked for the County for 13 years. He built trust while working as the assistant facilities director and has been a loyal employee who is willing to accept responsibility and rise to every occasion.

Lane expressed his gratitude for the opportunity and said he hopes to serve in this position for years to come to help facilitate County operations.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

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Commissioner Elliott invited members of the public to make comments to the Commission.

Rhonda Perkes, from Congressman Chris Stewart's Office, said the Congressman will be attending the Top of Utah Military Affairs Committee Meeting on Thursday [Nov. 7]. Ms. Perkes will be at the cemetery in Farmington for the American Legion's Veterans Day Ceremony.

### BUSINESS/ ACTION

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#### Agreement #2019-562 with Spindler Construction Corporation for General Conditions services for the North Branch Library

#### **Agreement #2019-562 with Spindler Construction Corporation for General Conditions services for the North Branch Library — *Presented by Chris Sanford, Davis County Library Director***

A request was made to ratify the General Conditions agreement with Spindler Construction Corporation for the construction of the North Branch Library. A contract with Spindler Construction Corporation was signed last week, but the General Conditions document was not yet ready. The General Conditions agreement has since been signed and needs to be ratified. The contract beginning date is 10/29/2019. This contract is neither payable nor receivable.

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Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Amendment  
#2015-580-E  
with Utah Dept.  
of Health for  
FY2020  
PHHSBG Boost  
funding

**Amendment #2015-580-E with the Utah Dept. of Health for FY2020 Preventive Health and Health Services Block Grant (PHHSBG) Boost funding — Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director**

An amendment to a contract with the Utah Department of Health was presented for Fiscal Year 2020 Preventive Health and Human Services Block Grant Boost funding. The funding is for the Suicide Prevention Coalition, suicide work with Davis Behavioral Health, and substance abuse work. The contract period is 10/01/2019 to 09/30/2020. The receivable amount is \$50,677.

Amendment  
#2015-365-L  
with Utah Dept.  
of Human  
Services, Div. of  
Aging and Adult  
Services,  
funding  
In-Home  
Alternatives  
Program

**Amendment #2015-365-L with the Utah Dept. of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services, to increase funding to In-Home Alternatives Program — Presented by Brian Hatch, Davis County Health Director**

An amendment to a contract with the Utah Department of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services, was presented to increase State funding for the County's senior programs. The contract period is 07/01/2019 to 06/30/2020. The receivable amount is \$1,853,800.

Motion to Approve Items: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Agreement  
#2019-563 with  
Morgan  
Pavement for  
parking lot  
preventative  
maintenance

**Agreement #2019-563 with Morgan Pavement for parking lot preventative maintenance — Presented by Lane Rose, Davis County Facilities Director**

A request was made to ratify a contract with Morgan Pavement for parking lot preventative maintenance. Issues related to this contract were discussed in a previous Commission Work Session. The County is moving forward with the contract for services that were provided at the Legacy Events Center and Davis Park Golf Course. The contract period is 10/25/2019 to 11/05/2019. The payable amount is \$6,214.88.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Grant Award  
#2019-564 from  
the Utah  
Commission of  
Criminal  
Juvenile Justice  
for replacement  
of retired  
K9-Nomos

**Grant Award #2019-564 from the Utah Commission of Criminal Juvenile Justice for a replacement K9 for retired K9-Nomos — Presented by Chief Deputy Susan Poulsen, Davis County Sheriff's Office**

A grant award from the Utah Commission of Criminal Juvenile Justice was presented. The purpose of the grant is illegal substance abuse prevention, with monies to be used to replace one of the Davis County Sheriff's retired K-9s. The contract period is 01/01/2020 to 06/30/2020. The payable and receivable amount is \$4,500.

Grant Award #  
2019-565 from  
Utah  
Commission of  
Criminal  
Juvenile Justice  
for replacement  
of retired  
K9-Hasko

**Grant Award #2019-565 from Utah Commission of Criminal Juvenile Justice for a replacement K9 for retired K9-Hasko — Presented by Chief Deputy Susan Poulsen, Davis County Sheriff's Office**

A second grant award was presented. It was noted that the first grant introduced in this meeting is Federal, and the second is State through UCCJJ. This award is to be used to replace a second K-9 that retired this year. In the past, \$10,000 to \$13,000 has been spent for a Belgian malinois that is dual purpose and fully-trained. The cost for a dog with less training is about \$5,000, but some have been donated in the past. It's hoped there will be a donation again, in which case this grant may be amended for K-9 training for the dogs. The contract period is 01/01/2020 to 06/30/2020. The payable and receivable amount is \$2,500.

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Agreement #2019-566 with Interwest Fire Protection, Inc. for fire sprinkler system and extinguisher inspections

## **Agreement #2019-566 with Interwest Fire Protection, Inc. for fire sprinkler system and extinguisher inspections** — *Presented by Chief Deputy Susan Poulsen, Davis County Sheriff's Office*

An agreement with Interwest Fire Protection, Inc. was presented. The contract is for inspection of the water system that feeds the sprinklers and all fire prevention throughout the facility, including fire extinguishers. There are no beginning and ending dates for this contract, but the inspection will take place shortly. The payable amount is \$2,888.

Motion to Approve Items: Com. Stevenson  
Seconded: Com. Kamalu  
All voted Aye

Agreement #2019-567 with Davis Behavioral Health for a Receiving Center to meet with individuals at jail facility

## **Agreement #2019-567 with Davis Behavioral Health for a Receiving Center to meet with individuals at the jail facility** — *Presented by Chief Deputy Arnold Butcher, Davis County Sheriff's Office*

A request was made to ratify an agreement with Davis Behavioral Health (DBH) for the lease of space to provide a Receiving Center. Davis Behavioral Health has been given an opportunity, with State funding, to pilot a Receiving Center similar to others in the United States. It's an opportunity for individuals to have jail diversion – if they have minor, first-time offenses – instead of having to be taken to an emergency room, where it's very expensive to get over intoxication or other drug problems, or going straight to jail. Law enforcement can take those who have been picked up to this facility, and prosecutors have the opportunity to determine whether these individuals need to go further into that realm or if they can stay out and not reoffend. It doesn't circumvent any legal requirement, but it gives a different space where these individuals can, hopefully, keep their jobs and get the services they need, particularly mental health and substance abuse treatments. The Sheriff, Chief Deputy Butcher, and their team, have been receptive and worked collaboratively to see whether the Receiving Center could work in part of the space at the Work Center while still allowing individuals at the Work Center to have all of the opportunities they've had in the past. The program is being piloted first by two jurisdictions of the County, Layton and Bountiful. The contract begins 11/01/2019 and is for one year [to 11/02/2020]. The receivable amount is \$1.

Motion to Approve: Com. Stevenson  
Seconded: Com. Kamalu  
All voted Aye

Ordinance #8-2019 amending Section 2.48.030 of Davis County Code regarding the fees of Davis County Attorney's Office

## **Ordinance #8-2019 amending Section 2.48.030 of Davis County Code regarding the fees of Davis County Attorney's Office** — *Presented by Neal Geddes, Davis County Chief Deputy County Attorney*

An ordinance was presented to amend Section 2.48.030 of Davis County Code regarding the fees of the Davis County Attorney's Office. This ordinance amendment change is to make a fee that the County Prosecutor's Office charges for discovery materials discretionary by changing the word "shall" to "may." The amendment is due in large part to a number of Defense attorneys who have been upset with the practice and have started to charge the County for some of the costs they incur for expert fees, etc. Because the fees the County would be forced to pay to the defense attorneys would be much higher than the fee the County is charging, it was decided to take the ordinance back to "may" and look at fees on a case-by-case basis. In most cases, there probably will not be a charge.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Commissioner Kamalu moved to recess to Board of Equalization. Commissioner Stevenson seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

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Property Tax Register

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

Commissioners were asked to consider the following Auditor's Adjustments:

Appeals

- A report with various recommended Approved changes in value totaling \$7,404,291;
- Two large-dollar changes in value — one with US Alpha Inc. for \$1,668,700, and one with K & M two LLC for \$3,144,999.
- A report listing recommended No Change in Value for several properties.

Abatements:

- Various Late Abatement Application Requests totaling \$15,357.73.

Corrections:

- Five 2018 Veteran Exemption Abatements;
- One abatement because property changed hands and then became tax exempt.

Assessor's Adjustments:

- A report with various Assessor-initiated corrections.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Commissioner Kamalu moved to reconvene Commission Meeting. Commissioner Stevenson seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

**CONSENT  
ITEMS**

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Check Registers

**Check Registers**

Check Registers were approved.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

Indigent Hardship Abatement Register

**Indigent Hardship Abatement Register**

The Indigent Abatement Hardship Register was presented.

A motion was made to deny the application of Shane and Lanell Kay and to recommend a hearing to review that application.

A motion was made to approve the application of Monica Reynoso.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

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Commission Meeting Minutes

## Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes for October 1, 2019 and October 22, 2019, were presented for approval.

Motion to Approve: Com. Kamalu  
Seconded: Com. Stevenson  
All voted Aye

## COMMISSION COMMENTS

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**Commissioner Elliott** attended last week's open house for the remodeled and expanded Syracuse Library. The venue is great and the speakers' words were very poignant, including Commissioner Kamalu's comment that libraries are a great equalization of the citizenry and [Syracuse Mayor] Mike Gailey's story about his parents reading library books to him. It was a good reminder to read to his children.

He expressed gratitude for the County's RSVP [Retired and Senior Volunteer Program] volunteers. They do a great job at the Animal Shelter, the Health Department, and other locations, and are a great asset to the County.

Commissioner Elliott is looking forward to hearing from Chris Stewart at the Top of Utah Military Affairs Committee meeting to hear what's going on in world affairs and security.

**Commissioner Stevenson** said he, and a group including Lane Rose, met with the Health Department regarding setting up a program to deal with electric vehicles and the opportunity to have charging station pedestals in the County. Brian [Hatch] will head up a study group and look into charging station sites. When looking for ways to improve the health of people in the County, including clean air, the County needs to set an example as much as possible. It is possible that the Commission may be asked to set aside a few dollars in next year's budget to put into this program.

Commissioner Elliott invited other comments from the dais.

Clerk/Auditor

Curtis Koch encouraged anyone who has not already cast a ballot to get out and participate in their municipal election. Polling locations close at 8 p.m., so get involved and make a difference at the local level. As of the day prior to Commission Meeting, there was about a 27 percent turnout with some areas that may be higher, depending on races. The Clerk/Auditor's Office will release the first round of results at about 8 p.m. and update later in the evening. There isn't a tally until after polls close – until then, ballots are scanned but not tallied.

MEETING ADJOURNED

Commission meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes prepared by:  
Becky R. Wright  
Deputy Clerk/Auditor

Minutes approved on: 11/26/19

/s/ Curtis Koch  
Curtis Koch  
Clerk/Auditor

/s/ Randy B. Elliott  
Randy B. Elliott  
Commission Chair