

MINUTES OF BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
MILLARD COUNTY THE 4th DAY OF APRIL 2026
AT THE COURTHOUSE, FILLMORE, UTAH

PRESENT: Trevor Johnson..... Chairperson
Vicki Lyman..... Commissioner
Bill Wright..... Commissioner

Elise Harris..... Interim County Attorney
Marki Rowley..... County Clerk
Kayla Freeman..... Deputy County Clerk

ALSO PRESENT: Kristine Camp..... County Treasurer
Sierra Dickens..... County Recorder
Hollie Miller..... Interim County Assessor
Jacob Nielson..... County HR Director
Richard Jacobson, Jerid Bennett, and Lindsay Mitchell. . . County Sheriff’s Office
Rachel West..... County Tourism Director
Adam Richins..... County Planner
Copeland Anderson and Landen Rowley..... State Fire Wardens
Bill Lister..... County Maintenance
Travis Kyhl, Jeff Tanner, Maradee Petersen, and
Tiffany Greenhalgh..... R6 Regional Council
Ron Larsen..... Jones & DeMille Engineering
Mike Hansen..... Rural Community Consultants (RCC)
Brandon Wingett..... County Roads Supervisor
Dennis Alldredge, Steve O’Camb, and Kevin Morris . . . Citizens

PURSUANT TO AN AGENDA WHICH HERETOFORE HAD BEEN PROVIDED TO each member of the governing body, posted at the principal office of the Millard County Commission, posted on the Utah Public Notice Website, and provided to the Millard County Chronicle Progress, a newspaper of general circulation within Millard County, Utah, as required by law, the following proceedings were had:

PUBLIC WAS WELCOMED

The meeting began at 10:00 a.m. after a brief welcome by Commissioner Johnson to the public and Commission members.

OPENING STATEMENTS

Commissioner Lyman said the invocation. Everyone stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

APPROVAL OF MARCH 17, 2026 COMMISSION MINUTES

The proposed minutes of a regular County Commission meeting held March 17, 2026 were presented for consideration and approval. Following review and consideration of minor corrections, Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the minutes of March 17, 2026 as corrected.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

FOLLOW UP ACTION ITEMS FROM MARCH 17, 2026

There were none.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL REVIEW

Treasurer Camp presented the February 2026 monthly financial review.

DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Disclosure statements were presented from the following:

- Russell Finlinson
- Lindsay Mitchell

IGP WAIVERS

One IGP waiver was presented for softball, two for coach pitch , and one for t-ball, each in the amount of \$40.00.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the IGP waivers as presented.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 26-04-07, A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MILLARD COUNTY, UTAH, AMENDING THE LANDFILL FEE SCHEDULE AS ADOPTED UNDER RESOLUTION 19-01-08A

This item was struck from the agenda and will be brought back for discussion at a future meeting.

HR Director Nielson explained that the fees are not changing, they are just updating language to match current practice.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR GREAT BASIN

CONTRACTORS, LLC - OWNER, CLAYSON LOVELL

A business license application was presented for Great Basin Contractors, LLC - Owner, Clayson Lovell, a residential construction and concrete business. After review of the application and finding all signatures in order, Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve a business license for Great Basin Contractors, LLC - Owner, Clayson Lovell.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR VANS CONCRETE - OWNER, PRESTON GAGE VAN ORDEN

A business license application was presented for Vans Concrete - Owner, Preston Gage Van Orden, concrete services business. After review of the application and finding all signatures in order, Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve a business license for Vans Concrete - Owner, Preston Gage Van Orden.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A BUSINESS LICENSE FOR L4 EXCAVATION, LLC - OWNER, CHANCE LYMAN

A business license application was presented for L4 Excavation, LLC - Owner, Chance Lyman, an agricultural excavation and grading business. After review of the application and finding all signatures in order, Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve a business license for L4 Excavation, LLC - Owner, Chance Lyman.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

RATIFICATION OF A PURCHASING CARD FOR BRIDGETT KING- RECORDER'S OFFICE

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to ratify a purchasing card for Bridgett King in the Recorder's Office.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A PURCHASING CARD FOR GABRIEL RAMIREZ AND SADIE WILCOX - ASSESSOR'S OFFICE

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve a purchasing card for Gabriel Ramirez and Sadie Wilcox in the Assessor's Office in the amount of \$1,500.00 each.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PURPOSE OF RECEIVING PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE UPDATE TO THE MILLARD COUNTY GENERAL PLAN

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to enter into a public hearing for the purpose of receiving public comment on the proposed comprehensive update to the Millard County General Plan.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The public hearing began at 10:24 a.m..

Present were: Treasurer Camp, Chief Deputy Auditor Bennett, Recorder Dickens, Interim Assessor Miller, HR Director Nielson,, Tourism Director West, Sheriff Jacobson, Deputy Bennett, Deputy Clark, Lindsay Mitchell, Planner Richins, Dennis Alldredge, Brandon Wingett, Mike Hansen, Copeland Anderson, Landen Rowley, Bill Lister, Travis Kyhl, Jeff Tanner, Maradee Petersen, Tiffany Greenhalgh, Ron Larsen, Steve O’Camb, and Kevin Morris

Planner Richins explained the purpose of having a general plan. Mr. Hansen then reviewed the work that has been completed, noting that the plan was already quite thorough. He said that it includes elements such as risk and emergency preparedness, along with new details related to economic development and resource management. He explained that the plan still remains high-level, with a focus on ensuring growth is both sustainable and strategic, but incorporates transportation and engineering master plans. Mr. Hansen stated that work on the plan has been ongoing for approximately two years.

Planner Richins added that the previous update was completed about fifteen years ago and was not as comprehensive. This updated plan provides greater clarification, along with more illustrations and detailed descriptions. It also reflects increased coordination with the towns within the County. He then read a statement from the Planning and Zoning Chairman.

Interim Attorney Harris clarified that the General Plan serves as an advisory guide for land use.

There were no other comments made.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to close the public hearing.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried. The public hearing closed at approximately 10:38 a.m..

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE 26-04-07, AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MILLARD COUNTY, UTAH, AMENDING THE MILLARD COUNTY GENERAL PLAN

Commissioner Lyman and Commissioner Wright commended the work that the Planning and Zoning Board has done on the General Plan.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to adopt Ordinance 26-04-07, an ordinance of the Board of County Commissioners of Millard County, Utah, amending the Millard County General Plan.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. Clerk Rowley called for a roll call vote. Commissioner Wright voted YES. Commissioner Lyman voted YES. Commissioner Johnson voted YES. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF MASTER AGREEMENT NO. 25RO11040800-018 AMENDMENT BETWEEN MILLARD COUNTY AND USDA UPDATING GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS.

This item was tabled.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT NO. 26RO11040800011, A COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR CERTAIN ROAD MAINTENANCE BETWEEN MILLARD COUNTY AND USDA

This item was tabled.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE COOPERATOR WILDFIRE SYSTEM (CWS) - COPELAND ANDERSON

Interim Attorney Harris stated that she has discussed the matter with the State Attorney General's Office, as well as local fire wardens, and explained the purpose of the participation agreement. She noted that under the agreement, the County agrees to a specific obligation amount and therefore would not be held liable for the full cost of wildfires. She added that the agreement also contains additional provisions and obligations. However, she expressed concern that the fire district and the County sign the agreement separately.

Fire Warden Rowley explained that they have never had an issue meeting the costs with the in-kind payment requirements. He stated that they actively seek out opportunities to assist in firefighting efforts and have consistently kept their equipment and vehicles up to date. He added that they have always met all required obligations.

State Fire Warden Anderson explained that he also actively looks for grants to help with fire mitigation and fire prevention.

Interim Attorney Harris stated that the Commission will need to meet with the fire wardens to ensure that specific obligations outlined in the agreement are being fulfilled by the appropriate parties. After weighing the risks and benefits, she recommended that the Commission sign the agreement.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the Cooperator Wildfire System. Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion

carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL REGARDING THE NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT

Interim Attorney Harris explained that it approval to participate in each settlement.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to approve the National Opioid Settlement.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION REGARDING THE R6 REGIONAL COUNCIL VETERANS PROGRAM - MARADEE PETERSON, R6 REGIONAL COUNCIL DIRECTOR OF AGING SERVICES

Maradee Peterson introduced herself as the Director of Aging Services. Tiffany Greenhalgh, representing caregiver programs with R6, also spoke and provided an overview of available programs and services. Ms. Greenhalgh explained that the caregiver program offers short-term services designed to support individuals in their role as caregivers. Ms. Peterson added that R6 provides a total of eighteen additional aging services programs.

R6 REGIONAL COUNCIL UPDATE - TRAVIS KYHL

Travis Kyhl, Executive Director of the RG Regional Council, introduced himself and provided an update on R6's recent activities and projects within the County, as well as upcoming plans and training opportunities.

Jeff Tanner introduced himself as the new Economic Development Coordinator with R6.

Commissioner Wright stated that the MEDA Board should serve as Mr. Tanner's first point of contact.

Interim Attorney Harris noted that, in the past, the Commission has not always agreed with decisions made by the MEDA Board and therefore recommended that Commissioner Wright also be kept informed.

Commissioner Lyman suggested that the MEDA Board and Mr. Tanner be given more direction from the Commission on goals and purposes.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE AWARDED OF THE BID FOR DENTAL SERVICES FOR THE JAIL

Interim Attorney Harris recommended that the bid be awarded contingent upon successful contract negotiations.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to award the bid for dental services for the jail to Blue Mountain Dental conditional to successful contract negotiations.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion

carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE AWARDED OF THE BID FOR THE WEST MAINTENANCE FORKLIFT

Mr. Lister explained that he researched the concerns expressed during the last discussion and presented his findings.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to award the bid for the West Maintenance forklift to All Around Access, LLC.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE AWARDED OF RFP'S FOR WEST RECREATION CONCESSION SERVICES

HR Director Nielson explained that he did a side by side comparison and both bids are equally responsive, with the exception that Ginger Moody had more relevant experience.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to award the West Recreation Concession Services to Ginger Moody.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF UTILIZING THE STREAMLINED ELECTRONIC FINANCIAL AID SOFTWARE WITH FIRST PROFESSIONAL (AMBULANCE BILLING SERVICE)

Sheriff Jacobson summarized the functions of the streamlined software and explained that it does not change the County's existing approval processes.

Lindsay Mitchell added that the software provides benefits to applicants by improving the overall process.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to utilize the streamlined electronic financial aid software with First Professional.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF A REQUESTED LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR THE CREEKSTONE DATA CENTER PROJECT

Planner Richins explained that there are incentive opportunities available through the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity and noted that an upcoming meeting will address

potential financial incentives. He added that Creekstone Data Center has applied for funding and is requesting a letter of support from the County.

Commissioner Wright said that he is willing to send a letter explaining what the Commission has done.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to send a letter of support for the Creekstone Data Center Project.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE GREAT BASIN HERITAGE GRANT FOR TOURISM

Tourism Director West presented a smaller tourism booklet and explained that they typically distribute around 5,000 copies. However, due to reduced funding, they can no longer afford that volume. She noted that the grant would help cover the costs, but it requires a 100% cash match. As a result, they may need to ration the number of booklets produced.

Commissioner Johnson expressed concerns that the booklets may be discarded and asked whether there are ways to track their usage.

Director West responded that she has reached out to other entities to learn how they track usage and is currently exploring methods and incentives to better monitor distribution and effectiveness.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to approve the Great Basin Heritage Grant for Tourism.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF INCREASING THE CREDIT CARD LIMIT FOR BROOKS JACKSON

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to increase the credit card limit for Brooks Jackson to \$4,000.00.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

INTRODUCTION FROM STEPHANIE HEBERT - US FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICES

This item was tabled.

PUBLIC INPUT

There was none.

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Lister reported that he received a letter from Jones and DeMille Engineering containing an assessment of the West County Pool. He explained that there are multiple concerns and that the issues have progressed beyond simple, temporary fixes. He noted problems including showers not draining properly, deteriorating pipes, and leaks beneath the pool. Additionally, the pool surroundings and rain gutters require updates, and the hot water system for the showers is experiencing issues and will likely need to be replaced. He added that patrons are noticing these problems and have expressed complaints.

Kevin Morris also explained the measures that have previously been taken in an attempt to address the issues with the pool.

Mr. Lister further explained that he brought these concerns to the Commission to ensure they are fully informed of the severity of the problems and can make decisions on how best to address them; including the possibility of conducting a full engineering study of the facilities.

Ron Larson from Jones and DeMille Engineering stated that there are two primary concerns. While the financial aspect is significant, he emphasized that the building itself and its functionality are compromised. He recommended that a comprehensive assessment be conducted to determine whether continued maintenance is sufficient or if full replacement is necessary.

Commissioner Johnson stated that a study is not currently budgeted and that funds would need to be reallocated to proceed.

Commissioner Wright asked whether any extensions had been made to the rain gutters to help address the water settlement issue.

Mr. Lister responded that extensions have been installed, but they only shifted the problem to a different location. He added that the two most immediate concerns are the failing hot water system and the drainage issue in the men's shower. With the Commission's permission, he will research bids for those issues.

Interim Attorney Harris reported receiving an email from David Nixon of Sand Rock Ridge Riders regarding the ATV Jamboree and the County's potential willingness to take over the staging area. She noted that the current grant only applies to land acquisition.

It was requested that this discussion be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPROVAL FOR THE SALE OR TRANSFER OF SURPLUS PROPERTY

There was none.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE APPOINTMENTS TO VARIOUS COUNTY BOARDS

Clerk Rowley reported that the vacancies for MEDA and the AG Protection Board were advertised to the public, but had received no interest.

Commissioner Wright stated that he has been reaching out to individuals regarding the AG Protection Board and presented the names of those willing to serve.

Commissioner Lyman made a motion to appoint Kate Nye, Kevin Knight, Kelby Swallow, Mason Anderson, and Lenny Harward to the AG Protection Board.

Commissioner Wright SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

Commissioner Wright made a motion to appoint Bryant Stevens and Jarron Larsen to the MEDA Board.

Commissioner Lyman SECONDED the motion. The voting was unanimous and the motion carried.

Clerk Rowley inquired about the Weed Board and whether it is required to remain a formal board.

Interim Attorney Harris stated she will research the matter further but indicated that the County may not be required to maintain a Weed Board. The item will be placed on a future agenda for further discussion.

Clerk Rowley reported that two board member terms have expired on the Housing Authority Board. The vacancies will be advertised.

POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF APPLICATION(S) FOR SETTLEMENT OR DEFERRAL OF DELINQUENT PROPERTY TAX

There was none.

DISCUSSION BY EACH COMMISSIONER, COUNTY ATTORNEY, ELECTED OFFICIAL AND SECRETARY

Commissioner Lyman addressed the Pine Valley Water Project, stating that four attorneys are currently working with the involved counties against the project. They have collaborated to prepare a declaration outlining how the issue would negatively impact each county. All gathered information has been compiled and submitted as part of an appeal to the Department of the Interior.

POSSIBLE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION (BOE) DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION

There was none.

POSSIBLE REVIEW OF COUNTY POLICIES AND CONTRACTS

There was none.

POSSIBLE CLOSED MEETING PURSUANT TO UTAH CODE ANNOTATED SECTION 52-4-204 & 205

Commissioner Wright made a motion to go into a closed executive session in order to discuss

five issues, including issues related to pending or reasonably imminent litigation and issues related to the purchase of real property under Utah Code Ann. § 52-4-205(1)(c)-(d), respectively.

Present throughout all the issues discussed were Commissioner Johnson, Commissioner Wright, Commissioner Lyman, and Interim Attorney Harris. Present through one issue discussed was Planner Richins. Present for two issues discussed was Recorder Dickens, and present during three issues discussed was Road Supervisor Winget.

After the closed executive session the regular meeting reconvened at 2:14 p.m..

WHERE UPON THE MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 2:15 p.m..

Attest: _____

Approved: _____