

BOARD OF DAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

Board of Davis County Commissioners - Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, May 6, 2025

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 10:00 AM on May 6, 2025, in room 303 of the Davis County Administration Building, 61 South Main Street, Farmington, Utah. Required legal notice of this meeting was given.

All documents from this meeting are on file in the Davis County Clerk’s Office. The agenda for this meeting is incorporated into the minutes as item headers.

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PRESENT

Davis County Commission Chair Lorene Kamalu
Davis County Commission Vice Chair John Crofts
Davis County Commissioner Bob Stevenson
Clerk Brian McKenzie

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting convened at 10:00 AM and Trevor Warner, Health Department Administration, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

James English, of Syracuse, introduced himself as the "Utah Defender", who started a YouTube channel because of incidents involving Chase Allen. He came today to voice his beliefs and concerns directly to the Commission. He presented a USB drive to the Commissioners and, in acknowledgment of concerns over potential computer viruses, also provided directions on how to locate the video online. James claimed the 2-hour and 26-minute video unequivocally proves Chase Allen was assassinated, and was not shot for having a gun, not complying, or being a sovereign citizen. James has submitted seven record requests through the Clerk's Office, four of which went directly to County Attorney Troy Rawlings, but he claims he has not received anything on any of his requests. Specifically, he requested the warrants that Justice Court Judge John Carl Ynchausti allegedly had when arresting Chase Allen in his courtroom. James asserted that he was told to go someplace else for the warrants, which he strongly disagrees with, stating that it's the County's responsibility to get them.

He then handed the Commission a new record request for the internal affairs investigation done on the incident where Chase Allen was shot, noting he has been very specific about what he is looking for. His reason for this request stems from his background as a former Special Forces officer and enlisted man, with a 31 Delta military occupation specialty (MOS) as a criminal investigator in military police. Based on his review of the video, James believes Chase Allen was assassinated, not murdered, and that new evidence in the video requires Attorney Rawlings to open the case, rather than perpetuating a cover-up of Chase's death. He warned that if the case is not reopened, he will pursue legal action, having already retained attorneys for legal action against the Ogden Police Department.

RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1 **#2025-466. Employee Service Awards for May 2025 recognizing employees who have reached milestones in their careers with Davis County** - *recommended by Lorene Kamalu, Davis County Commission Chair, Commissioners' Office*

Health

Trevor Warner, 5 years - Dave Spence, Deputy Director of the Health Department, commended Trevor Warner for his five years of service. He recalled Trevor starting during the COVID-19 pandemic due to the retirement of the Health Department's long-term communications manager. Deputy Director Spence

proudly described his small team as "the Misfits," like in the "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer" movie, due to their programs and skills not quite fitting anywhere. During Trevor's interview, he and two others were struck by Trevor's appearance, noting his long red beard and burly voice, jokingly saying that Yukon Cornelius came in. Trevor performed well in the interview, and his skills were immediately recognized as needed. As Deputy Director Spence escorted him out, Trevor, unprompted, apologized for the "Yukon Cornelius look," attributing it to not being able to go to his barber due to the pandemic. Deputy Director Spence almost fell down the stairs, then ran back to the interview room exclaiming, "We have found our man." Trevor has brought new skills, flexibility, and a willingness to try new things to the department, handling more interviews and media dealings in his first year than he likely will in the next 20. Deputy Director Spence expressed gratitude for Trevor and his vital role in the department's communications efforts.

Attorney's - Children's Justice Center (CJC)

Jill Bell, 5 years - Julie Stephenson, CJC Director, celebrated Jill's five years as the CJC's first full-time forensic interviewer. Having known Jill for a long time, Director Stephenson noted she came to the center with 15 years of experience in child protective services in Utah and five years on the East Coast. Jill is recognized for her immense compassion for children, serving children from all over, and her assertive nature, which ensures victims' rights are heard. She even received a friend request from a little girl who didn't want to leave the center because she wanted to play with Jill. Director Stephenson also described Jill as an expert on the stand in court, with many people preferring her involvement.

Julie Stephenson, 5 years - Commissioner Kamalu shared that chairing the advisory council for the CJC was an unexpected but fulfilling part of her role. The advisory council meets quarterly and is made up of advocates for child abuse survivors; they frequently deal with difficult and/or emotional information. The work is vital and requires a special person who can handle secondary trauma and be a leader. Commissioner Kamalu acknowledged that Director Stephenson has those skills and is that leader. She concluded by stating the County is lucky to have Director Stephenson.

Brindy Solomon, 10 years - Commissioner Kamalu described Brindy as "the glue for the whole place," possessing a compassionate heart and a ready smile. She said the Davis County CJC is highly respected throughout the state. Director Stephenson agreed that Brindy, though quiet, is truly the "glue" for their center, having served longer than both Jill and herself. Brindy is "more than my right arm -- she's both arms," Director Stephenson said. The CJC would have a hard time functioning without her. As their office specialist, Brindy is the first face children see, and her kind heart, compassion, and patience are invaluable. Brindy also possesses significant knowledge about finances and budgets and has assisted with those needs in the office. Director Stephenson concluded by saying Brindy is an amazing and kind person, a good teammate, and she keeps the fridges stocked and kids happy.

Chief Deputy Civil Attorney Neal Geddes relayed a message from County Attorney Troy Rawlings. In Attorney Rawling's words, the CJC is "one of the most important components of our whole office," delivering "solid work on an award-winning level." Positive reports and feedback are regularly received from judges statewide. The Civil Division of the Attorney's Office finds the CJC a joy to work with, and they are recognized as a model for other counties and are often questioned about how they achieve their success. They are seen as "one of the best children's justice centers around."

Information Systems (IS)

Corey Coleman, 5 years - IS Director Jeff Hassett believes successful IT groups need specific skills: the ability to learn new technology quickly, being detailed-oriented for complicated tasks, remaining calm, remembering that "fast is slow and slow is fast" during difficult times, and empathy to understand users' priorities. Corey possesses all these traits. Additionally, Director Hassett said he is kind and friendly. Despite the team starting at 6:30 AM, and often before sufficient caffeine, Corey always greets Director Hassett with an enthusiastic hello. He is always ready to help, and Director Hassett knows he can count on Corey to take care of end users until the problem is solved.

Cindy Stoeckl, 15 years - Director Hassett praised Cindy for guiding him through his onboarding, noting that without her, it "probably would have been a mess." He described Cindy as attentive, willing, and capable, knowing her job and completing tasks well. Her dedication to the customer is where she truly excels. Sitting outside his office, Director Hassett hears her empathetic phone calls, listening and even "crying with them with their technology." She is the "core of the social side of our office," bringing a needed human element that is often lacking in IT people. Cindy helps bring a "glimmer of sunshine" to the office and has helped make Director Hassett's first nine months as good as they could be.

Attorney's Office

Ryan Perkins, 25 years - Chief Deputy Civil Attorney Neal Geddes apologized on behalf of Attorney Rawlings, who felt bad for not being present but remembered to send a statement. Attorney Rawlings described Ryan as one of their most experienced and patient attorneys. He has experience in juvenile justice and district courts, primarily serving as a juvenile court prosecutor, and is well-respected statewide for his knowledge and abilities. Chief Deputy Geddes added to Attorney Rawlings' comments that Ryan is fantastic, possesses a positive and even-keeled attitude, and is an excellent attorney.

Sheriff's Office

Jhoacim Meneses, 5 years - Lieutenant Chris Swaner, a Lieutenant in Corrections, said Jhoacim has worked in housing, intake, and visiting within the jail. Outside of work, he enjoys photography and playing with his three dogs.

Jonathan Carver, 5 years - Jonathan was unable to attend, but was recognized with applause.

Samuel Boyd, 5 years - Captain Mike Valencia, of the Patrol Division, recognized Samuel for his five years of service. Cpt. Valencia noted Sam started his career at the animal shelter and loved it so much that he decided to follow a family tradition and join the Sheriff's Patrol Division. Cpt. Valencia said Sam is a "fine young man" who "loves to go out and find the trouble" while also being very compassionate with the community.

Kelcie Baer, 15 years - Kelcie was unable to attend, but was recognized with applause.

Chase Peterson, 20 years - Chase was unable to attend, but was recognized with applause.

Jammie Cox, 20 years - Captain Jason Boydston, of the Justice Services Division, said Jammie oversees the court bailiffs and the security team. Majority of her career was spent in the Patrol Division, where she started as a Deputy Paramedic, saving countless lives. She was promoted to sergeant in the Patrol Division and, later, lieutenant. She was also the liaison with the Davis County Search and Rescue Team and knows the mountains well. Jammie has consistently worked to make the Sheriff's Office a successful organization and assists with various community events. She is currently the president of the Davis County Employees Association and an adjunct faculty member for Weber State University's paramedic program. In her spare time, she enjoys camping with her husband, watching her daughter dance, and fishing with her son.

Kevin Rose, 20 years - Lieutenant Josh Boucher, from the Patrol Division, said Kevin started his law enforcement career doing ride-alongs with friends and mentors at the Sheriff's Office, leading him to attend EMT and paramedic school in 2004. Kevin, Jammie, and he went to the police academy and were hired together at the Sheriff's Office; John Olson also attended the law enforcement portion with them. Kevin is a "go-getter" in Patrol, pushing others to "chase him around" and "catch the big fish." Lt. Boucher described Kevin as a true friend who builds relationships with everyone he encounters and is always willing to drop what he's doing to help. Kevin started full-time, moved into management positions, and is now the Dispatch Center Director for Weber County. He transitioned to part-time with the Davis County Sheriff's Office and has primarily functioned as a Patrol deputy, while helping oversee the consolidation of dispatch centers and the computer-aided dispatch (CAD) system for Davis County. He has utilized his leadership and experience, including with radio systems, to work with local, county, and state officials.

John Olsen, 30 years - Cpt. Valencia said John started his career in Reno, Nevada, as a prison guard, then came to Davis County in 1994, working numerous jobs. He worked in the jail, as a court bailiff, as West Point Junior High's resource officer for three years, and then with the detectives for five years. He decided to retire but, like Cpt. Valencia who retired around the same time, came back. Cpt. Valencia recounted a story of seeing each other when they came back and realizing they "weren't very smart." Cpt. Valencia said it has been an honor to know John professionally and as a friend. John is currently assigned as the fleet management coordinator, where he is the sole person in charge of all vehicles, purchasing equipment, and ensuring everyone has a car for their duties. Cpt. Valencia concluded by saying John is a great man, employee, and friend.

Western Sports Park

David Hansen, 25 years - Kent Andersen, Director of Community and Economic Development, was impressed by Dave's 25 years. Since 2000, whether the facility was called the Fair Park, Fairgrounds, Legacy Event Center, or now Western Sports Park, Dave has been the director. Director Anderson has worked with

him for the last six years, describing it as exciting and full of change. Director Anderson listed quick examples highlighting Dave's ability to adapt: the 2002 Olympics and the performance rodeo; the Great Recession impacting the equestrian world and requiring a shift to attract dog shows and youth sports; COVID-19 canceling events; and choosing to concrete the flooring during the pandemic, which accomodated drive-thru elections and vaccinations. He also oversaw the development of the new vision for the sports park, with two years of planning and two years of construction leading to the June opening of the Western Sports Park.

Dave's easygoing personality and "can-do attitude" help him manage the passion and stress of event management. He is not above any job and can be seen digging up lines, helping at events, and cleaning up after various animals, including camels, zebras, tigers, and the "most dreaded" elephant. He does this all without complaint, which speaks to his character. Director Anderson highlighted his leadership trait of caring for his team. Mike Moake, Western Sports Park Event Operations Manager, relayed a story to Director Anderson about how Dave got into a bidding war over a golf cart for a retiring employee's gift. Despite overpaying, Dave proudly presented the golf cart to his retiring employee.

Public Works

Brandon Hunt, 30 years - Jason Fielding, Public Works Operations Manager, has worked with Brandon for his entire tenure, describing him as one of the first employees Jason met and worked with. Brandon has become a local expert in noxious weed control, working hard to educate the public on the problems these weeds pose. He is very big on educating people to understand the significance of this issue. Over his time with the County, he has been recognized numerous times by his peers at the Utah Weed Supervisors Association for his expertise and knowledge. He is frequently sought out by other municipalities statewide for advice and assistance with their weed control programs. Jason said Brandon has also become one of the leading experts in the state for implementing biological weed control programs, controlling weeds without harmful pesticides. He "quite literally commands an army of thousands or probably millions...[of] highly trained noxious weed control bugs." In a way, he's seen as the "noxious weed control Batman." Jason said Brandon works hard and enjoys seeing the positive impact he makes for Davis County residents.

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- #2025-515. Presentation of Written Notice of Election to Extend Contract Term Through February 23, 2027 between Davis County and Summit Food Service LLC. Tied to Contract #2020-0068 and #2024-0590 - recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office**

Financial Information: N/A	Terms:
	- Beginning Date: Upon final acceptance - Ending Date: 02/23/2027

These services are for inmate banking and commissary needs.

BUSINESS/ACTION

ANIMAL CARE

- 3
- #ORD 2025-2. Approval of an Ordinance Amending Portions Of Title 6, Chapter 6.28, Section 6.28.070 Places Prohibited to Animals of the Davis County Code - recommended by Sydney Larrabee, Animal Care Chief Deputy, on behalf of Ashleigh Young, Animal Care Director, Animal Care**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Pass-Through - Amount: N/A	- Beginning Date: 05/06/2025 - Ending Date: N/A

This ordinance updates the outdated language from "hearing and seeing eye dogs" to "service animals" to better comply with ADA regulations.

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Item 3: John Crofts. Second: Bob Stevenson. All present voted aye.

CLERK'S OFFICE

- 4 **#2025-511. Approve the cancellation of the Regular Commission Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, June 24, 2025 - recommended by Brian McKenzie, Clerk, Clerk's Office**

Financial Information: N/A

Terms: N/A

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Item 4: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

- 5 **#2025-512. Approval of appointment of Jessica Groves to the Davis County Library Board for a 4-year term beginning May 6, 2025 - recommended by Lorene Kamalu, Davis County Commission Chair, Commissioners' Office**

Financial Information: N/A

Terms:

- Beginning Date: 05/06/2025
- Ending Date: 05/05/2029

Commissioner Kamalu said it is a robust process to replace a Library Board member. Recently, a board member finished their term, necessitating this update.

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Item 5: Lorene Kamalu. Second: Bob Stevenson. All present voted aye.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 6 **#RES 2025-8. Approval of a Resolution for Interlocal Agreement with Clearfield City for 3rd Quarter Local Transportation Funds regarding the 300 North Reconstruction From Pacific Avenue to 1000 West Project - recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Planning**

Financial Information:

Terms:

- Type: Payable
- Amount: \$48,500.00
- Beginning Date: 04/29/2025
- Ending Date: 04/29/2027

Part of this project is to add a sidewalk connecting to the Denver-Rio Grande (DRG) trailhead and a nearby school.

- 7 **#RES 2025-9. Approval of a Resolution for Interlocal Agreement with Clearfield City for 3rd Quarter**
Local Transportation Funds regarding the Depot Street Extension Project - recommended by Kent
Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Planning

Financial Information:

Terms:

- Type: Payable
- Amount: \$266,000.00
- Beginning Date: 04/29/2025
- Ending Date: 04/29/2027

This is the last piece of the Depot Street project.

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Items 6-7: Bob Stevenson. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

FACILITIES

- 8 **#2025-490. Approval of an Amendment to Contract #2024-0779 with Marathon Maintenance for changes to add 6" fractured rock to the new retention pond in the Health Department fleet parking - recommended by Lane Rose, Director, Facilities**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Payable - Amount: \$16,362.00	- Beginning Date: 04/20/2025 - Ending Date: 07/31/2025

VOTING:
Motion to Table Item 8: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

- 9 **#2025-521. Approval of an Agreement with Marathon Maintenance, Inc. for Landscape upgrades for the Davis County Conference Center - recommended by Lane Rose, Director, Facilities**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Payable - Amount: \$194,410.65	- Beginning Date:05/06/2025 - Ending Date: 09/30/2025

While this project was identified as being over budget, the overage will be taken care of with carryover funds.

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Item 9: John Crofts. Second: Bob Stevenson. All present voted aye.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

- 10 **#2025-518. Ratification of a 24/7 Sobriety Program Cooperative Agreement between Utah Department of Public Safety (DPS) and Davis County Sheriff's Office - recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Payable and Receivable - Amount: N/A	- Beginning Date: Upon final signature - Ending Date: Three years from the beginning date

- 11 **#2025-520. Approval of a Standard Service Provider Contract between Davis County and Prism Systems Corporation for the Genetec Advantage Program - recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Payable - Amount: \$12,540.00 not to exceed	- Beginning Date: 01/01/2025 - Ending Date: 12/31/2025

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Items 10-11: Bob Stevenson. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

CONSENT ITEMS

- 12 **#2025-506. Approval of an Agreement with USA Wrestling Utah for Christmas Clash Duals & Salt Lake Slam Wrestling Tournaments - recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Western Sports Park**

Financial Information:	Terms:
- Type: Receivable - Amount: \$6,453.13	- Beginning Date: 12/31/2025 - Ending Date: 01/03/2026

13 **#2025-510. Approval of an Agreement with Nation Wide Expos for a Home Show** - *recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Western Sports Park*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Receivable • Amount: \$9,034.38	• Beginning Date: 09/18/2025 • Ending Date: 09/21/2025

14 **#2025-516. Approval of an Agreement with RC Competes for the Utah High School Association Cheer Competition** - *recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Western Sports Park*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Receivable • Amount: \$8,776.25	• Beginning Date: 01/09/2026 • Ending Date: 01/10/2026

15 **#2025-498. Approval of Donations over \$50.00 to the Davis County Library** - *recommended by Josh Johnson, Director, Library*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Receivable • Amount: \$1,034.75	• Beginning Date: 01/01/2025 • Ending Date: 03/31/2025

16 **#2025-499. Approval of Low Dollar Contracts signed by the Library Director** - *recommended by Josh Johnson, Director, Library*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: \$905.00	• Beginning Date: 01/01/2025 • Ending Date:12/31/2025

17 **#2025-517. Approval of the Regular Commission Meeting Minutes for April 22, 2025** - *recommended by Lorene Kamalu, Davis County Commission Chair, Commissioners' Office*

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Items 12-17: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

VOTING:
Motion to Recess to Board of Equalization: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

18 **#2025-176. Property Tax Register 05-06-2024** - *recommended by Curtis Koch, County Controller, Tax Administration*

The Property Tax Register for 05/06/2025 was presented and contained the following: Controller’s Adjustments consisting of Corrections; Assessor’s Adjustments consisting of Escapements. This record is maintained by the Davis County Controller as the Clerk of the Board of Equalization.

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Item 18: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

VOTING:
Motion to Reconvene Commission Meeting: Lorene Kamalu. Second: John Crofts. All present voted aye.

CLOSING REMARKS

Commissioner Crofts reminded everyone that the next Regular Commission meeting [May 13, 2025] would be held at 6:00 PM in the same office.

Commissioner Kamalu said the Commissioners attended the Utah Association of Counties (UAC) spring conference. She noted that new laws and requirements from the legislative session impact counties every year, and it requires significant effort to keep up and understand them all. A UAC session summary booklet, which she put on the counter for anyone interested, is provided to counties as a reference; the conference agenda is available online for the public. Commissioner Kamalu specifically mentioned a new bill that was passed that requires a hunting or fishing license to enter some Utah wildlife management areas. Farmington Bay is noted as an affected area in Davis County, but the Eccles Wildlife Education Center and Hasenyager Reserve will not require a license. She believes this means that areas with trails will still be publicly accessible. Commissioner Kamalu said people come from all over the state and beyond to visit these areas. The Commission will inform the public of any other changes, likely in the digital newsletter, and she recommended everyone to "watch the new laws like hawks."

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 11:03 AM.

Minutes Prepared by:
Jessy Turner
Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved on:
06/17/2025


Brian McKenzie (Jun 18, 2025 09:48 MDT)

Brian McKenzie
Davis County Clerk


Lorene Kamalu (Jun 18, 2025 09:44 MDT)

Lorene Miner Kamalu
Commission Chair

