

BOARD OF DAVIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MINUTES

Board of Davis County Commissioners - Regular Meeting Minutes Tuesday, August 5, 2025

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 10:00 AM on August 5, 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.

Following the approved Davis County policy, artificial intelligence (AI) was utilized in the preliminary creation of these minutes. The final minutes were edited and completed by Davis County Clerk's Office staff.

PRESENT

Davis County Commission Chair Lorene Kamalu
Davis County Commission Vice Chair John Crofts
Deputy Clerk Jessy Turner

EXCUSED

Davis County Commissioner Bob Stevenson

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting convened at 10:00 AM and Jessy Turner, Deputy Clerk, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Commissioner Kamalu invited public comments; no comments were made.

RECOGNITION, PRESENTATION, AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 1 **#2025-821. Employee Service Awards for August 2025, Recognizing Employees Who Have Reached Milestones in Their Careers with Davis County** - *recommended by Lorene Kamalu, Davis County Commission Chair, Commissioners' Office*

Commissioner Kamalu recognized Shauna Brady and Carrie Batte, who are the two full-time staff members for the three Commissioners and whose efforts make the Employee Service Awards possible.

Assessor's Office

Dakota Briggs, 5 Years - Chief Deputy Assessor Dale Peterson recognized Dakota's years of service and spoke on his behalf. Dakota started in the Health Department and moved to the Assessor's Office approximately three years ago. He recently received his license as a licensed real property appraiser in the state of Utah, a designation requiring 156 hours of appraisal-specific education, over 1,000 hours of appraisal-specific experience, a dozen demonstration appraisals, and passing on the first attempt an exam known for having a 40% failure rate.

Community and Economic Development

Megan Christensen, 10 Years - Community and Economic Development Director Kent Anderson spoke about Megan. She previously worked as an Economic Development Specialist and is currently the Tourism Marketing Manager for the Discover Davis team. She has directed the website development for the Davis Conference Center and Western Sports Park, and led Discover Davis's participation in the Warriors Over the Wasatch air show. She is also known for her creativity, particularly with event logos like the Moonlight Bike Ride, and for always having snacks in her office.

Controller's Office

Sulika Laulu, 5 Years - Shairise Bills read a statement from former County Controller Curtis Koch thanking Sulika for her years of service. The statement explained that Sulika was hired during the COVID-19 pandemic and is noted for her wealth of experience, knowledge, and curiosity. She has improved public services by increasing the exposure of abatement programs and providing online applications. She also took on new duties previously assigned to the Chief Deputy.

Health

Tauna Wall, 5 Years - Clinical Operations Bureau Manager Camille Taylor spoke on Tauna's behalf. Tauna began her journey during COVID-19, playing a vital role in vaccination clinics and seasonal flu outreach. For the last two years, she has been a full-time immunization nurse and is known for her reliability and dedication.

Haley Bemis, 5 Years - Division Director for Family Health Sabrina Harman spoke on Haley's behalf. Haley also started during COVID-19, quickly becoming a "go-to nurse" due to her clinical knowledge, calm presence, quick thinking, and dedication. Since 2022, she has been part of the Maternal Child Health program and then became the Clinical Services Bureau Manager in that area in 2023. Her daily hard work shows her commitment to making the County a better place.

Shirley Kirkman, 5 Years - Bureau Manager Taylor spoke on Shirley's behalf. Shirley, a registered nurse, was also hired during the COVID-19 pandemic and is described as reliable, adaptable, kind, compassionate, and deeply committed to clients. She works part-time in the immunizations department, bringing vaccines to the community through outreach events.

Library

Danielle Bauder, 5 Years - Danielle was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Sandra Fernandez, 5 Years - Sandra was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Matt Goff, 30 Years - Library Director Josh Johnson spoke on Deputy Director Matt Goff's behalf. Deputy Director Goff has held almost every supervisory position in the library system, has worked in nearly all branches, and served as the Collection Development Supervisor. He is respected for prioritizing people over processes and has a great rapport with staff.

Pretrial Services

Andrea Velasquez, 5 Years - Pretrial Services Coordinator Johnnie Blackmon spoke on Andrea's behalf. As the Pretrial Services Legal Tech, she processes at least 1,200 client referrals annually, gathers and enters client information, addresses client referrals, assigns clients to case managers, and assists with court preparations. She also helps with the Bureau of Criminal Identification (BCI) and Utah Criminal Justice Information System (UCJIS) as an Alternate Terminal Agency Coordinator (TAC). She provides security training to case managers, as well as to Pretrial Services visitors.

Recorder's Office

Jeanne Flenniken, 5 Years - Jeanne was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Corrections

Michael Boyd, 5 Years - Michael was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Lori Boucher, 20 Years - Lori was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Sheriff's Office

Stetson Steed, 5 Years - Stetson was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Neil Porter, 20 Years - Sergeant Ryan Trease spoke on Neil's behalf. Neil is currently assigned to Judge DiReda's court. He began his law enforcement career in 1972, serving with the Pleasant Grove Police Department, Orem Police Department, and for 30 years with the Utah Highway Patrol, retiring as a major. With 20 years in the Sheriff's Office, he has an accumulated 52 years of service in law enforcement. He is described as loyal, consistent, and professional.

Valley View Golf Course

Cooper Cannon, 5 Years - Cooper was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

Matthew Robb, 5 Years - Matthew was not in attendance, but was recognized with a round of applause.

BUSINESS/ACTION

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE

- 2
- #2025-923. Request for Approval for the Appointment of James (Jamie) M. Dester as a Trustee on the Bountiful Irrigation District's Board of Trustees. Mr. Dester Has Been Recommended by the Bountiful Irrigation District Board of Trustees to Replace Trustee Michael D. Mayfield, Who Resigned from the Board Effective July 31, 2025. Mr. Dester's Term Will Begin on August 1, 2025, and Expire on July 31, 2029 - recommended by Lorene Kamalu, Davis County Commission Chair, Commissioners' Office**

Financial Information: N/A

Terms:

- Beginning Date: 08/01/2025
- Ending Date: 07/31/2029

Commissioner Kamalu highlighted the importance of water and the Bountiful Irrigation District. Bountiful Irrigation District Chair Durrell Nielsen introduced Mr. Dester, noting how, since his retirement, he has had a desire to serve the community. Mr. Dester stated he has lived in Bountiful for 38 years and is looking for ways to give back.

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Item 2: John Crofts. **Second:** Lorene Kamalu. All present voted aye.

COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

- 3
- #RES 2025-18. Approval of a Resolution to Amend an Interlocal Cooperation Transportation Agreement (Resolution #2023-0260) with West Bountiful City for the 1100 West Reconstruction Project - recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Economic Development**

Financial Information:

Terms:

- Type: Payable
 - Amount: \$807,218.00
- Beginning Date: 07/22/2025
 - Ending Date: 06/30/2027

Director Anderson gave the following statement: "A little background on the project. This is one that's been prior approved. West Bountiful had looked at a participation grant from Wasatch Front Regional Council to come up with this different amount of \$438,000.00. [The] challenge with this funding is that they're a federal fund and that changes the scope and the nature of the project. The proposal was made with Wasatch Front Regional Council. The Commission approved a third quater interlocal agreement with Farmington City to do the 106 project that's already got a large amount of federal funds in it. So Farmington agreed to lower their amount of third quarter participation, get the Wasatch Front money, and [the County will] backfill Wasatch Front. So I think it's a good collaboration project all around for everybody."

VOTING:

Motion to Approve Item 3: Lorene Kamalu. **Second:** John Crofts. All present voted aye.

HEALTH

4 **#2025-882. Approval of Amendment #1 to Contract #2024-0602 with the Utah Department of Health and Human Services for Public Health Emergency and Healthcare Preparedness Programs Fiscal Year 2024-2028** - *recommended by Brian Hatch, Director, Health - Community Services*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Receivable • Amount: \$257,244.08	• Beginning Date: 07/01/2025 • Ending Date: 06/30/2026

This amount represents about 75% of what is normally received, with the remaining 25% expected by the end of the year.

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

INFORMATION SYSTEMS

5 **#2025-915. Approval of an Amendment to Contract #2025-0367 with Syringa Networks for Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Internet and Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) Phone Services (State Contract MA 4576)** - *recommended by Jeff Hassett, Director, Information Systems*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: \$2,533.00 per month	• Beginning Date: 08/05/2025 • Ending Date: N/A

This is for lines going into the new Emergency Operations Center to allow it to operate independently.

VOTING:
Motion to Table Item 5: Lorene Kamalu. **Second:** John Crofts. All present voted aye.

6 **#2025-916. Approval of an Amendment to Contract #2025-0367 with Syringa Networks for the Davis County Sheriff's Office Investigator Internet (State Contract MA 4576)** - *recommended by Jeff Hassett, Director, Information Systems*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: \$585.00 per month	• Beginning Date: 08/05/2025 • Ending Date: N/A

This is for a separate line for the Sheriff's Office investigator unit to support key work. The funding source for this item is Fund 10, which is different from Item 5. There was a discussion regarding the funding source, as these funds were earmarked as part of the EOC from State and Local Fiscal Relief Funds (SLFRF), which need to be used by 2026. A transition to another account will be needed when those funds are done, and another amendment will be brought back at that time.

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Item 6: Lorene Kamalu. **Second:** John Crofts. All present voted aye.

SHERIFF'S OFFICE

7 **#2025-913. Approval of a Training Reimbursement Agreement with Amanda Marie Sholly for Special Functions Officer (SFO) and Basic Corrections Officer (BCO) Certifications** - *recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: \$17,399.00	• Beginning Date: Upon Hire Date • Ending Date: Two Years from the Hire Date

8 **#2025-917. Approval of Certification of Substantial Completion of the Ankle Monitor Program (AMP)** - *recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office*

Financial Information:	Terms:
N/A	• Beginning Date: 06/23/2025 • Ending Date: 07/14/2025

This certifies the remodel for the AMP program. The certificate of occupancy has been received.

9 **#2025-922. Ratification of a Written Notice of Termination of Service Provider Contract #2024-0191 with HigherGround, Inc. (Live 911 Software and Licenses)** - *recommended by Arnold Butcher, Chief Deputy, Sheriff's Office*

Financial Information:	Terms:
N/A	• Beginning Date: 08/05/2025 • Ending Date: 09/04/2025

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Items 7-9: John Crofts. **Second:** Lorene Kamalu. All present voted aye.

CONSENT ITEMS

10 **#2025-879. Approval of an Agreement with Amada Senior Care for In-Home Services for Elderly or Disabled Adults 18 Years or Older** - *recommended by Brian Hatch, Director, Health - Senior Services*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: Varies, see Rate and Service Table	• Beginning Date: 07/01/2025 • Ending Date: 06/30/2027

11 **#2025-880. Approval of an Agreement with Elevate Sports Center for a Gymnastics Meet** - *recommended by Kent Andersen, Director, Community & Economic Development - Western Sports Park*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Receivable • Amount: \$7,743.75	• Beginning Date: 02/12/2026 • Ending Date: 02/14/2026

12 **#2025-914. Approval of Amendment #2 to Contract #2024-0870 with Dr. Gerald Hoffman to Become the Animal Care Veterinarian of Record** - *recommended by Sydney Larrabee, Deputy Director, Animal Care*

Financial Information:	Terms:
• Type: Payable • Amount: \$600.00 per month	• Beginning Date: 07/25/2025 • Ending Date: 10/15/2025

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Items 10-12: Lorene Kamalu. **Second:** John Crofts. All present voted aye.

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

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

13 **#2025-189. Property Tax Register 08-05-2025** - *recommended by Sulika Laulu, Tax Administration Manager, Tax Administration*

The Property Tax Register for 08/05/2025 was presented and contained the following: Controller’s Adjustments consisting of Abatement Reports; Assessor’s Adjustments consisting of Personal Property Corrections. This record is maintained by the Davis County Controller as the Clerk of the Board of Equalization.

VOTING:
Motion to Approve Item 13: 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 discussed the trial basis for one evening meeting a month, which he found successful. Originally, this was a trial basis for three months, but was expanded to a fourth in July. He advocated for expanding this to a permanent schedule to increase transparency and provide more opportunities for residents who work during the day to attend and engage with Commissioners and other elected officials. He noted that other counties and cities already have evening meetings. Commissioner Crofts emphasized the importance of voter and community engagement.

Commissioner Crofts also spoke about the reputation of Davis County for having outstanding people, particularly with state officials. He stressed the importance of professional and kind behavior among elected officials and staff, recalling instances of disrespectful conduct toward elected officials and mistreatment of staff and contractors. Drawing on his personal experience working as a custodian, he highlighted the importance of treating everyone with respect and kindness, regardless of their role. He expressed hope to emphasize this at the next director's meeting, aiming to make Davis County a place where everyone wants to work and is treated with the utmost respect.

Commissioner Kamalu mentioned the recent Human Services Cabinet meeting, which included heads of health and safety-related institutions in the County. Colonel Daniel L. Cornelius, the Installation Commander at Hill Air Force Base, attended and shared that active duty personnel and civilians at the base are integrally involved in the war in the Middle East.

MEETING ADJOURNED

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 AM.



Minutes Prepared by:
Patrick Black
Deputy Clerk

Minutes Approved on:
08/26/2025


Brian McKenzie (Aug 27, 2025 15:20:33 MDT)
Brian McKenzie
Davis County Clerk


Lorene Kamalu (Aug 27, 2025 13:32:38 MDT)
Lorene Miner Kamalu
Commission Chair