

COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES – DAVIS COUNTY

COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

July 21, 2020

The Board of Davis County Commissioners met for their regularly scheduled meeting at 4:00 p.m. on July 21, 2020, 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 Lorene Miner Kamalu, Chair; Commissioner Bob J Stevenson, Vice-Chair; and Commissioner Randy B. Elliott. Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor, and Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney Neal Geddes were also in attendance.

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

Due to the ongoing coronavirus pandemic, special meeting circumstances apply.

In consideration of the COVID-19 pandemic, attendance will be limited to less than 20 individuals, including commission and staff. Masks are recommended and all those in attendance will be required to participate in a socially distant manner. Because of the room occupancy limitation, those wishing to watch the meeting are encouraged to do so by viewing the meeting online. Meeting proceedings may be viewed remotely through YouTube live-streaming at: <https://www.daviscountyutah.gov/commission/meetings>. Those wishing to direct comments to the Commission regarding the public hearing or to make public comment can do so in-person or email comments to commissioners@daviscountyutah.gov by 3:30 pm the day of the meeting.

The meeting convened at 4:00 p.m. and Commissioner Kamalu gave a reminder of the special meeting circumstances that apply due to COVID-19. She noted that no comments were received by email regarding the agenda of this meeting.

Chief Deputy Clerk/Auditor Brian McKenzie led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Recognitions,
Presentations &
Informational
Items

RFP Opening for Davis County Jail Medical Observation Unit Construction Management/General Contractor Services — *Presented by Curtis Koch, Davis County Clerk/Auditor*

An RFP [Request for Proposal] opening was presented for the Davis County Jail Medical Observation Unit for Construction Management General Contractor (CMGC) services. Two companies submitted timely proposals and met all of the terms of the requirements to submit: Layton Construction Company LLC and Hogan and Associates Construction Inc. A third company submitted a proposal but did not attend the mandatory walk-through meeting. Seven companies attended the walk-through, but it's assumed that most did not submit proposals due to the technical complexity of correctional facilities and the higher degree of standards in workmanship required. A review group will examine the proposals and come back with a recommendation for the Commission.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments were invited, but none were made.

BUSINESS/ ACTION

Resolution
#2020-338 of
the Board of
County
Commissioners
authorizing and
approving the
execution and
delivery of a
Master Lease

Consideration for adoption of Resolution #2020-338 of the Board of County Commissioners of Davis County, Utah (the "County") authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Master Lease Agreement, by and between the County and the Municipal Building Authority of Davis County, Utah (the "Authority"), and a Ground Lease Agreement; authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of its Lease Revenue and Refunding bonds, Series 2020, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$24,300,000; and related matters — *Presented by Commissioner Kamalu*

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Agreement, by and between the County and the Municipal Building Authority of Davis County, Utah, and a Ground Lease Agreement; authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of its Lease Revenue and Refunding bonds, Series 2020

Commissioners were asked to consider the adoption of a Resolution of the Board of County Commissioners of Davis County, Utah, authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Master Lease Agreement, by and between the County and the Municipal Building Authority of Davis County, Utah, and a Ground Lease Agreement; authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of its Lease Revenue and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020, in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$24,300,000; and related matters.

Clerk/Auditor Curtis Koch explained that the Master Lease Agreement will envelope the [County Administration] campus. The County is refunding the bonds that funded the construction of the Davis County Administration Building and will add another \$7 million dollars to allow work on the historical Memorial Courthouse. The Master Lease Agreement has been set up between the County and the Municipal Building Authority. The process of bonding and securing bonds is moving forward, and it is hoped that those will be locked up by mid- to late-August to take advantage of historic lows in interest rates. There are opportunities for the County and it is in a good financial position to take advantage of those. It was noted that Randy Larson, the County's bond counsel with Gilmore Bell, was in attendance at the meeting. He and the Clerk/Auditor were willing to answer questions about this item or the next.

[The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 12/31/2020.] The amount is not to exceed \$24,300,000.

Motion to Adopt the Resolution of the Commission: Com. Elliott
Seconded: Com. Stevenson
All voted Aye

Commissioner Stevenson moved to recess out of Regular Commission Meeting and go into the Municipal Building Authority (MBA) Meeting. Commissioner Elliott seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Resolution #2020-339 of the MBA for delivery of a Master Lease Agreement; authorizing the issuance and sale by the MBA of its Lease Revenue and Refunding bonds, Series 2020

Resolution #2020-339 of the Municipal Building Authority of Davis County, Utah (the "Authority") authorizing and approving the execution and delivery of a Master Lease Agreement, by and between the Authority and Davis County, Utah (the "County"); authorizing the issuance and sale by the Authority of its Lease Revenue and Refunding bonds, Series 2020 (the "Bonds"), in the aggregate principal amount of not to exceed \$24,300,000; and related matters — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

In answer to a question about interest rates, Commissioners were informed that preliminary interest rates have been hovering just above two percent. The rate won't be known until actually going to market. At this point the projected savings is approximately \$1.6 million.

[The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 12/31/2020. The amount is not to exceed \$24,300,000.]

PUBLIC HEARING

The Public Hearing was declared open, and comment was invited. No comments were made.

A motion was made to close the Public Hearing and to approve the Resolution of the Municipal Building Authority of Davis County.

Motion: Com. Stevenson
Seconded: Com. Elliott
All voted Aye

Commissioner Stevenson moved to go out of the Municipal Building Authority Meeting and back into the Regular Commission Meeting. Commissioner Elliott seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

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Agreement #2020-340 with The Master's Touch for printing and electronic services for notices sent out by the Treasurer's Office

Agreement #2020-340 with The Master's Touch for printing and electronic services for notices sent out by the Treasurer's Office — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu and Davis County Treasurer Mark Altom

An agreement with The Master's Touch was introduced. The agreement is for a new printing service contract that went through the Davis County RFP process and was awarded to The Master's Touch. The printing service contract is for property tax notice printing, for printing periodic delinquent notices as required by Utah law, and notifications to owners of properties that will be eligible to go to the next year's tax sale. The contract also provides services to send electronic tax notices to property owners who choose this option. The Master's Touch is in Spokane, Washington. Many printing options were considered within Utah, but the option for electronic tax notices could be a significant savings by eliminating postage expenses. More than half of the expense for each notice is for mail. The Master's Touch has a robust electronic notification process. Other Utah counties have been doing electronic notices with them since 2013. (In the future, the Clerk/Auditor's Office will be doing an RFP for printing services and may be able to "piggyback" for electronic notifications for valuation notices and tax notices; however, that is to be decided through the independent RFP process.) The Master's Touch not only had the electronic option but had the lowest cost of the four printers that sent RFPs, so the County is saving money from what was done in the past. Electronic notices will not be mandatory; the State of Utah made it an option a few years ago. Some counties have been creating their own systems, but this will be a very efficient way to do electronic notices as the County will not have to manage it yet will have the ability to look into the system. The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 02/15/2025. The estimated payable amount is \$16,678.98, which is based on estimated parcel counts.

Agreement #2020-341 with Davis Technical College for distribution of CARES Act funds to mitigate effects of public health emergencies due to COVID-19

Agreement #2020-341 with Davis Technical College for distribution of CARES Act (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) funds to mitigate the effects of public health emergencies due to COVID-19 — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An agreement with Davis Technical College was presented for the distribution of CARES (Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security) funds to Davis Tech to mitigate the effects of the public health emergency due to COVID-19. Davis Tech is a leader among the tech colleges in Utah, and the CARES Act money can help people whose jobs are at risk during a soft economy to receive education and skills to get through the downturns. The contract period is 07/01/2020 to 11/30/2020. The payable amount is \$475,000.

Agreement #2020-342 with On Pitch Performing Arts (OPPA!) for 2020 season sponsorship

Agreement #2020-342 with On Pitch Performing Arts (OPPA!) for 2020 season sponsorship — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An agreement between Davis County Tourism and On Pitch Performing Arts (OPPA!), of Layton, was introduced. The agreement is for a 2020 season sponsorship. The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 12/31/2020. The payable amount is \$1,000.

Amendment #2018-81-B with Richter 7 for a branding refresh for the Davis County Tourism and Events Dept.

Amendment #2018-81-B with Richter 7 for outlining a branding refresh for the Davis County Tourism and Events Department — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An amendment was introduced to a contract with Richter 7 outlining a branding refresh for the Tourism Department. The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 12/31/2020. The payable amount is \$20,000.

Approval #2020-343 of the Davis Council of Governments 2020 priority list of highway and public transit corridor preservation projects

Approval #2020-343 of the the Davis Council of Governments (COG) 2020 priority list of highway and public transit corridor preservation projects per UCA 72-2-117.5(7) — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

Commissioners were asked to consider and approve the Davis Council of Governments (COG) 2020 priority list of highway and public transit corridor preservation projects per Utah Code Annotated §72-2-117.5(7). The process must be gone through every year for the preservation projects. All four of this year's projects are involved with the West Davis Highway, which will start next spring. The contract period is 01/01/2020 to 12/31/2020. There is no financial information with this item.

Finalization of Quitclaim Deed #2020-344

Finalization of Quitclaim Deed #2020-344 with Falcon Hill Development LLC for parcel of surplus tax sale property Tax ID 13-077-0020 — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

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with Falcon Hill Development LLC for parcel of surplus tax sale property Tax ID 13-077-0020

The finalization of a Quitclaim Deed with Falcon Hill Development LLC was presented for a parcel of surplus tax sale property with the Tax ID of 13-077-0020. This deal was put together with Davis County in 1959, on a tax sale for \$9.03. There are no beginning or ending dates associated with the item. The receivable amount is \$209.03.

Subgrantee agreement #2020-345 with Family Connection Center dba Open Doors for SSBG FY20-21 funding for crisis nursery services

Subgrantee agreement #2020-345 with Family Connection Center dba Open Doors for Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) FY20-21 funding for crisis nursery services — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A subgrantee agreement with the Family Connection Center, doing business as Open Doors, was presented. The agreement is for Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Fiscal Year 20-21 funding for crisis nursery services. Gratitude was expressed for the County's partnership with Open Doors, particularly through the pandemic. Commissioners learned, in an Emergency Operations Committee policy meeting, that individuals have been at Open Doors almost every week now that they're helping those who have either tested positive, or need to isolate or quarantine if someone in the family or household is tested, and they do not have a place to go. The contract period is 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021. The payable amount is \$30,000.

Subgrantee agreement #2020-346 with PARC Community Partnership Foundation for SSBG FY20-21 for funding vocational case management services

Subgrantee agreement #2020-346 with PARC Community Partnership Foundation for Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) FY20-21 funding for vocational case management services — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A subgrantee agreement with Pioneer Adult Rehabilitation Center (PARC) Community Partnership Foundation was presented. PARC helps local citizens who have various disabilities gain the skills they need to be employed and productive. The agreement is for Social Services Block Grant (SSBG) Fiscal Year 20-21 funding for vocational case management services. The contract period is 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021. The payable amount is \$45,000.

Agreement #2020-347 with Utah Dept. of Human Services, Div. of Aging and Adult Services for Medicaid Aging Waiver pass-through stating general provisions, etc.

Agreement #2020-347 with the Utah Dept. of Human Services, Div. of Aging and Adult Services, for Medicaid Aging Waiver pass-through stating general provisions, client related requirements, performance measurement and monitoring, payment terms and billing, applicable laws and requirements, recordkeeping, reporting requirements and indemnification — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An agreement with the Utah Department of Human Services, Division of Aging and Adult Services, was introduced. The agreement is the Medicaid Aging Waiver pass-through stating general provisions, client-related requirements, performance measurement and monitoring, payment terms and billing, applicable laws and requirements, recordkeeping, reporting requirements and indemnification. The contract period is 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2025. It is a pass-through and there is no financial information.

Summary List #2020-348 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements, July 13, 2020

Summary List #2020-348 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements, July 13, 2020 — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A summary list of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements was presented. The list, dated July 13, 2020, includes 13 agreements with multiple contracting entities. The contract periods range from 05/30/2020 to 07/09/2020. The total receivable amount is \$2,530.67.

Summary List #2020-349 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements, July 14, 2020

Summary List #2020-349 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements, July 14, 2020 — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A summary list of Legacy Event Center space rental agreements, dated July 14, 2020, was introduced. The list includes 11 agreements with multiple contracting entities. The contract periods range from 06/18/2020 to 04/28/2021. The total receivable amount is \$4,978.26.

Summary List #2020-350 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements,

Summary List #2020-350 of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements, July 15, 2020 — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

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A third summary list of Legacy Events Center space rental agreements was presented. Dated July 15, 2020, the list includes five agreements with multiple entities. The contract periods range from 06/19/2020 to 07/18/2020. The total receivable amount is \$1,022.36.

Agreement #2020-351 with USA Wrestling Utah for Intermountain Warriors Challenge Regional Wrestling Tournament

Agreement #2020-351 with USA Wrestling Utah for the Intermountain Warriors Challenge Regional Wrestling Tournament to be held at the Legacy Events Center — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An agreement with USA Wrestling Utah was presented for the Intermountain Warriors Challenge Regional Wrestling Tournament. The tournament was previously held in Idaho and will now be held in Davis County. The event will bring in 800 kids from Idaho, Nevada, and Montana to compete, as well as Utah kids. The contract period is 03/10/2021 to 03/13/2021. The receivable amount is \$4,341.65.

Agreement #2020-352 with Rocky Mountain Asphalt Rejuvenation for parking lot preventative maintenance

Agreement #2020-352 with Rocky Mountain Asphalt Rejuvenation for parking lot preventative maintenance at the Central Davis Senior Center — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An agreement with Rocky Mountain Asphalt Rejuvenation was presented for preventative maintenance of the parking lot at the Central Davis Senior Center. No contract period was given. The payable amount is \$4,407.87.

Temporary Lease Agreement #2020-353 with 3482, Inc. for use of South Davis Branch Library premises for motion picture production

Temporary Lease Agreement #2020-353 with 3482, Inc. for use of South Davis Branch Library premises for motion picture production — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A temporary lease agreement with 3482, Incorporated was introduced. The agreement is for on-location filming at the [South Branch] Library for a Hallmark movie. The Library and the Community and Economic Development Department took part in negotiations, and the County's Facilities Management department will help as needed during the filming. Proceeds that come to the County will be given to that particular branch, in Bountiful, for improvements to the library. Patrons who normally go to that library will be notified in advance that there will be a short time when they will go to a different library if they have a need of in-person library services on that particular day. The contract period is 07/22/2020 to 07/27/2020. The receivable amount is \$8,500.

Change Order #2020-115-B with Rocmont Industrial Corporation for Memorial Courthouse and Campus Hazardous Material Abatement Project

Change Order #2020-115-B with Rocmont Industrial Corporation for additional wall system installed on hazardous flooring material that needs to be removed on the Memorial Courthouse and Campus Hazardous Material Abatement Project — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A Change Order with Rocmont Industrial Corporation was presented for an additional wall system installed on hazardous flooring material that needs to be removed on the Memorial Courthouse and the Campus Hazardous Material Abatement Project. No contract period was given. The payable amount is \$8,700.

Ratification of Agreement #2020-354 with Priority Dispatch for software

Ratification of Agreement #2020-354 with Priority Dispatch for software allowing dispatchers to prioritize emergency calls — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

Commissioners were asked to ratify an agreement with Priority Dispatch for software that allows dispatchers to prioritize emergency calls. The contract period is 12/01/2020 to 11/30/2023. The payable amount is \$7,200 per year.

Amendment #2019-465-A

Amendment #2019-465-A with Fruit Heights City to extend law enforcement services for one year — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

An amendment to a contract with Fruit Heights City, for law enforcement services, was presented to extend the terms set forth in the previous agreement for one more year. The contract period is 07/01/2020 to 06/30/2021. The receivable amount is \$197,100.

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Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-355 with Jacqueline Nicole Chlarson

Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-355 with Jacqueline Nicole Chlarson for special functions and basic corrections academy, plus wages and benefits — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A training reimbursement agreement with Jacqueline Nicole Chlarson was presented. The agreement is for special functions and basic corrections academy, plus wages and benefits. The contract period is 07/28/2020 to 07/28/2022. The receivable amount is \$13,598.

Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-356 with Wade Gregory French

Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-356 with Wade Gregory French for benefits, wages and training costs for Special Functions and Basic Corrections — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A training reimbursement agreement with Wade Gregory French was presented for benefits, wages and training costs for special functions and basic corrections training. The contract period is 06/26/2020 to 06/26/2022. The receivable amount is \$13,518.

Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-357 with Jacob Burton Smith

Training Reimbursement Agreement #2020-357 with Jacob Burton Smith for special functions and basic corrections academy, wages and benefits — Presented by Commissioner Kamalu

A training reimbursement agreement with Jacob Burton Smith was presented. The agreement is for special functions and basic corrections academy, wages and benefits. The contract period is 07/21/2020 to 07/21/2022. The receivable amount is \$13,518.

Motion to Approve Remaining Business and Action Items: Com. Elliott
Seconded: Com. Stevenson
All voted Aye

Commissioner Elliott motioned to recess to the Board of Canvass. Commissioner Stevenson seconded the motion. All voted Aye.

Approval of the 2020 Primary Election Canvass

Approval of the 2020 Primary Election Canvass — Presented by Chief Deputy Clerk/Auditor Brian McKenzie

Chief Deputy Clerk/Auditor Brian McKenzie expressed his appreciation to Lori Schiess and Shelly Jackson, who accompanied him to the Commission Meeting and play critical roles in the County's Elections division. Lori heads up by-mail ballot processing and manages the temporary staff, including the recruiting and supervision of that process. Shelly is key in helping manage voter registration and the front office of the Clerk's office as well as ballot programming and tabulation. Gratitude was expressed for everyone involved in the election, from the other great members of the team who are dedicated professionals in this field to other departments. The Legacy Events Center Team was recognized for going above and beyond to make accommodations for the effort to conduct the County's first-ever drive-through voting, and the Sheriff's Department for providing security and traffic control.

Commissioners were presented with reports of the canvass and an audit that was conducted of the election as required by State statute and executive orders.
See Attachments A1-A8.

In the audit, 580 ballots were selected by the Lieutenant Governor's office to be reviewed and hand-counted to verify that the tabulation matched the electronic tabulation. In addition, 582 ballots were reviewed for signature affidavits as an additional check to verify that they were matches to the voters' signatures. During that audit, there were no discrepancies identified and all results matched what was electronically tabulated. The audit was conducted beginning on July 2 and finished up on July 6.

There were 71,327 ballots cast, which is 43.93 percent of the eligible voters that were able to participate in this election. Eligible voters included the County's registered voters affiliated Republican, those that were affiliated as Unaffiliated, and those affiliated with the Democratic Party in the First Congressional District. Other voters were not included in these totals because they were not eligible to participate in this election.

The number of votes for each candidate was read from the Summary Results Report for the 2020 Primary Election (see Attachments A4-A6).

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An explanation was given of the report document listing the total number of ballots not counted with the reasons identified. There were 849 by-mail ballots not counted and 25 provisional ballots not counted, for a total of 874 ballots that were not counted for various reasons including lack of identification, signatures not matching, or too late. Ballots not counted because the voter is deceased include situations such as a voter returning the ballot but passing away by the time it gets to the County, at which point their record gets removed from the voter database prior to that ballot being counted, or a family member returning the unsigned envelope with a written note on the envelope that the voter is deceased. Because it was received back the County can't count it but must account for it. "Not Timely" ballots were those postmarked after Election Day. "No Proof of Identity" could be caused by one of two scenarios – some of those could be provisional voters, who are required to provide identity and proof of residency, others would be first-time registered voters who are required to show ID when voting by mail their first time. The County provides a notification with their ballot that ID is required; if they do not send it back the County tries to correct that with notification of the voter. Ultimately, these voters did not correct that proof of residency. In the State of Utah, there is a very extensive list of what you can use for proof of identity and residency. A utility bill is the most common, but it could be a rental agreement, a pay stub from your employer, or any number of things that have your name and address on it. Regarding a person who had already voted, one possible scenario is that the County sent them a ballot and they changed their party and qualified for another ballot, so two ballots were sent out to that voter and they sent both of them back when they should only send one; clearly, the County can't count that. Another scenario is they've voted in one primary election for one party and then showed up at the polling location and wanted to vote for the other party. They are allowed to vote, but only one ballot can be counted.

Commissioners commented that the Davis County Elections team is very highly respected all over the State and this year, particularly, was a good example of why. The team's ability to promote people registering, giving everyone that opportunity to vote and to have all the votes that are cast according to the rules be counted, and to do so during a pandemic with an interesting accommodation with the drive-through and drop-off was fascinating to watch. It was well done and with cooperation of other departments. It was noted that an article in the Davis Clipper about the election was an accurate and good showcase for citizens to be able to trust the elections in this County.

A motion was made to approve the Board of Canvass, and to accept the results as presented and declare nominated those candidates within our jurisdiction.

Motion: Com. Stevenson
Seconded: Com. Elliott
All voted Aye

Commissioner Elliott moved to recess to the Board of Equalization. Commissioner Stevenson 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, as follows:

Auditor's Adjustments

- A report for Greenbelt Appeals that are recommended to be approved, totaling \$21,046.09
- Two Veteran Tax Exemption Abatements for the year 2019

Assessor's Adjustments

- Personal Property Penalty Waivers, applications with recommendation for approval, of \$680.75.

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

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

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CONSENT ITEMS

Check Registers

Check Registers

Check Registers were approved.

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

Indigent
Hardship
Abatement
Register

Indigent Hardship Register

A motion was made to hold a hearing for the Indigent Abatement Registers, for those who are seeking abatements.

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

Commission
Meeting
Minutes

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Minutes for June 16, 2020, June 23, 2020, and June 30, 2020, were presented for approval.

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

COMMISSION COMMENTS

Commissioner Elliott again thanked Brian McKenzie and his team. Brian is very passionate about elections, and he and his team have been diligently working hard through technology transitions. The County has gone from one system to a new system, and they've been able to roll out elections smoothly and get results out in a timely manner.

Commissioner Stevenson echoed Commissioner Elliott's appreciation for the Elections team. He hopes that, after getting through this fall, the County won't have to deal with elections in the way it did this year ever again.

Commissioner Kamalu said she has toured the area where mail-in ballots come in and watched them be processed. She appreciates that the County invites people to come and see for themselves as it is a confidence-boosting experience to see how careful that process is.

Commissioner Kamalu said Commissioners were asked a question at the end of the press conference held on Friday, July 17, 2020, regarding the Davis County Health Directive that started that day and continues for the next few weeks. She wanted to more succinctly answer, in Commission Meeting, why Davis County has not yet mandated masks or cloth face coverings. The reasons come from the [COVID-19] Policy Team, the Commissioners, the County Health Officer, and the mayors and managers from the 15 cities in the County. The entire group has been working throughout the pandemic, and will continue to work together, for the benefit of County citizens. Five reasons for not issuing a mask mandate are:

1. Each Health District is unique. Davis County's COVID-19 data and level of tourism is not the same as the three jurisdictions that have mandated it so far.
2. We are following our own data very closely and are very hopeful that Friday's directive will be taken seriously by individuals, families, and businesses.
3. Businesses have been stepping up in their mask requirements. It's appreciated that stores – the big box retailers and locally-owned establishments throughout Davis County – are striving to make their business environments low-risk for customers and employees, and that absolutely helps with consumer confidence.

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People want to feel safe when shopping in our County, and they can tell who is taking those measures seriously.

4. The Davis County Board of Health, which is a legislative body, and the CEOs of our local hospitals feel that a directive is sufficient right now for them, based on their ability to maintain the care currently needed in our County.

5. In recent weeks' discussions, city officials felt like the next step based on our COVID-19 data would be a directive, not a mask mandate. Commissioners agreed because a Public Health Order mandating face coverings could require enforcement, which is a difficult task to require of local law enforcement. Commissioners take very seriously what is required of law enforcement agencies.

The explanation will be shared with the people who are emailing and hoping for a mask mandate. It's hoped they will closely follow the rolling seven day average on the County's website, which is now flattening and trending down. That tells us there is a certain level of compliance in the County and it is helping. Commissioners ask that everyone stay with this for as long as needed.

MEETING
ADJOURNED

Commission meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

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

A1-A8. 2020 Primary Election Canvass Reports

Minutes prepared by:

Becky R. Wright

Deputy Clerk/Auditor

Minutes approved on: 08/11/2020

/s/ Curtis Koch

Curtis Koch

Clerk/Auditor

/s/ Lorene Miner Kamalu

Lorene Miner Kamalu

Commission Chair